

the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the holy Ghost."

This same Neophyte met with a Christian woman, who was very ill, and far away from our settlements. He rendered her every possible service, was present at her death, and repeated to her all the good counsels with which God inspired him. While the women were enshrouding her, he dug a grave, made a Cross as well as he was able, and planted it at [16 i.e., 19] the head of the Grave. He then had the body brought and, laying it quite close to the Cross, he made all kneel, and said this prayer aloud: "Thou who hast made all things, have pity on this woman who has just died; she believed in thee; have mercy on her, forget her sins, and take her soul to Heaven. And thou, good woman, who art dead, pray for us. When thou art above, pray for those who are baptized, so that they may persevere in the faith; pray for the others, that they may believe in him who has made all." His prayer ended, all the Christians present recited the rosary for the poor creature. When this was done, the good Neophyte filled in the grave and twice recited his rosary before leaving the spot. He then went to the Cabin of the deceased, where he spoke so highly of eternal life and of that woman's happiness in having died a Christian, that all were greatly consoled thereat.

Whenever he left his Cabin to go out hunting, he hung up a small Crucifix that had been given to him, under a piece of bark set up like a penthouse and spoke to God, both knees on the ground, and his hands clasped together, saying: [20] "Thou who canst do all, give me food, I beg of thee. Feed my people; they are thine,—thou hast created them;