

pledge of our salvation; the beauty of our souls, which has removed from them the deformities of sin, which has driven from them the demons, and has made us children of God. Let that be our treasure, that our wealth; and if the devil and all hell should endeavor to take them away from us, let us love our welfare more than they wish us evil. Let us be on our guard night and day; let us pray for succor from Heaven, and for aid from the Angels. Let us have recourse to prayer whenever [50] we feel our hearts assailed. In a word, let us esteem the gift of Faith; let us love the God who has first loved us, and let all our hatred be directed against sin alone. Let us make up our minds to die and to endure the pain and sorrow of this life. Let us even now offer the whole to God, so that he may turn it to his glory; and, in exchange for a moment that remains to us to suffer on earth, we may receive an eternal reward in Heaven." After this discourse, which was animated by his faith and zeal, and with which none other than the Holy Ghost could have inspired him, he said: "My brothers, let us kneel and all offer ourselves to God both for life and for death; let all of you follow my words, so that, having but one heart, we may also have but one tongue, and the same prayer in our mouths." Thereupon, he addressed himself to God, but with such tender sentiments of devotion that the heart felt them more than can be expressed on paper.

These were his last words when he left us, about a year ago; and God's graces that we see in him now show us [51] that torture, captivity, and death cannot harm a truly Christian heart.

While he was returning here to the Huron coun-