

Institute, or bearing thereon; we did so every Friday, considering that after easter it would be difficult to do this, because of the various absences and journeys. We began with the reading of the 3rd treatise of rodriguez,¹⁷ of the Society; and we Interrupted it from time to time, in order to read the summary and other things which are read every month with us; we were three Fathers, three brethren, and one of our Domestics.

DECEMBER, 1645.

On the 1st, those of the forge came to ask for the wine for the feast of St. Eloy. They were four: we gave them four rosaries, and to the master a bottle of wine.

St. Eloy.

On the 2nd, at the mass of St. françois xavier, high mass was said, at which our brethren served in surplices. On the Sunday before, the Indulgences were announced; and Monsieur the Governor had the Reveille sounded in the morning at Daybreak, and a gun fired; there was no other Ceremony on that Day. At the house, the vow of the Conception¹⁸ was then renewed; and to this end the litany was said before the Blessed Sacrament,—and, the day before, at the Ursulines'.

St. françois Xavier.

On the 3rd, the Ursulines sent dinner to the house,—a perfect banquet, indeed. It was the 1st Sunday in Advent when Father Den-demare began to preach there, and I to the Hospital Nuns.

*Ursulines send us
dinner.*