

conduct. The Captain came to the Father who has charge of the residence and said to him: "It is I who have committed the sin; do not, I beseech you, upbraid that poor [10] Man; it is I who must do Penance for it." On the following Sunday, when every one had gone to Mass, this Captain knelt before the Altar, and, raising his voice, exclaimed: "Thou who hast made all, I have angered thee. Have pity on me. Let not my sin lead thee to think badly of me; I detest it, and I am very sorry for having committed it." Thereupon he threw a collar of two or three thousand Porcelain beads on the step of the Altar, saying: "This is to atone for my sin, and to succor the poor; this is to prevent every one from following my bad example. I am sorry in the very depths of my heart for having angered God." The Father, who was already robed in his vestments to begin Mass, turned toward the people and explained to the French who were present what the good Neophyte had said. This edified them all, and touched some of them. A portion of his present was given back to him, and the remainder was employed in succoring some needy persons.

The following offense seems to me more culpable, but also it seems to have been more thoroughly atoned for. Some Christian Savages, last Spring, came across a Basque ship [11] above Tadoussac, from which they bought wine; and some of them drank to excess. The Father who has charge of them heard of this bad conduct, and told them that they could not enter the Church until they had atoned for their offense. They all remained outside the door on a Festival day, while the French and Savages went in. The spot was muddy, for it was actually raining at