

prayer, for all of a sudden the child's life was restored, to the astonishment of all who were in the Cabin."

There were in this Band some Christians whom the example of this good Neophyte's testimony encouraged; he sustained them, and made them persevere in the Faith. And we may even believe that those semi-Apostates who afterward did Penance were attracted to it by the virtue and constancy of that brave soldier of JESUS CHRIST. Above all, he consoled a poor sick man who was greatly persecuted by the ungodly. They jeered at him and urged him to have recourse to the Demon; the good sick man said that he would rather die. One day, the Father related the story of Job, in the presence of this good Neophyte. He began to laugh and, on hearing his wife's reproaches, said: "All that is exactly what they shouted at me this winter. 'Thou wilt die,' they said to me, 'if thou pray to God; thou [23] wilt never be cured unless thou sing'" a song which was to implore the aid of the Demon. The Savages say very little of what passes in their minds. If we had not by accident related the story of Job, we would not have had any knowledge of the courage of that brave Athlete.

I will close this Chapter with some actions of a young boy but newly baptized. "When I first heard prayer mentioned," he said, "I wished to put into practice what was preached to me. I was with some of the Algonquins who are near neighbors to the Hurons. At night, when I wished to say my little prayer, every one began to laugh, and many jeered aloud at me. 'Thou hast no sense,' they said to me. 'To whom speakest thou? Where is he? Dost thou