

my sins, I shall see him in Heaven." God has showered many blessings on that family,—not only is the woman in good health, but she is respected by the French and by the Savages for her great modesty and her charity; while her husband is looked upon as an example to the believers, so steadfast is he in the Faith.

I am not surprised that they who do not understand the Savages, and who cannot penetrate into their thoughts, should have no respect for them; for in truth they have no attractions that are pleasing to nature. They are free and independent to the last degree; they have neither politeness, nor conversation, nor civility with the French; the oils with which they grease themselves offend the nostrils, and the poverty of their clothes and of their cabins offends the sight. Only the pure grace [88] that God gives them makes them lovable; now this grace is generally known only to those who see into their souls, and even those who understand them find it difficult sometimes to endure them, so different are their ways from ours. But when such persons listen to their Confessions, and to the outpouring of their hearts, they feel a cordial tenderness and affection for them, when they see that the Spirit of God acts as a Father, as a Master, as a Friend, as a Spouse, in souls that breathed but barbarism. The haste that the departure of the Ships causes us does not permit me to review the Chapter in which I have spoken of the sickness of a second Job as regards patience; so I must set down here some sentiments with which God blessed his death. This man, who for some years had not been liked by his countrymen, found himself abandoned by all. In the midst