

there were none of our brethren to serve mass.

The same Zacarie and Drouin requested another Mass for the 8th Day following; we allowed them a low mass, but it would have been better to give it to them on the 3rd, or the 8th, or the 30th, according to the rubrics.

On the 6th, the Hospital nuns regaled the house magnificently, *et sæpe alias multa miserunt.*

*Hospital nuns.*

For the Days of shrovetide, they sent hither from the warehouse and from Monsieur the governor, abundance of meat,—a quarter of Veal, and moose. Four moose had been killed by the Hurons who were wintering here, to the number of three or four, besides those who were at 3 rivers.

*Shrovetide.*

We sent from here four bottles of spanish wine for the shrovetide days at Sillery, from that which had been given us from the hospital and from the warehouse: we had sent two bottles previously.

The 3 Days' devotions passed as in the former years; that went well, and they must be continued.

Ash Wednesday went off better than in the two preceding years. We observed it as follows, and gave notice to the people beforehand: the 1st bell at 7 o'clock (they might ring it at 6½); the 2nd at 7½, at which time we said a low mass. At the end of this was rung the 3rd bell for high mass, at the Beginning of which the blessing and the distribution of the Ashes took place,—monsieur de

*Ash Wednesday.*