

showed him admirable examples of their charity, patience, piety, and unswerving attachment to the true Religion.

But the effects of these poor Hurons' zeal are felt even beyond the territories of the Iroquois. We have learned that in the country of the Rigueronnons, more than 500 leagues distant from Quebec, a Huron Preacher has spread the knowledge of Jesus Christ, and begun the founding of a Church which already appears to be flourishing—so well disposed do the people there seem toward the Gospel. This fervent [13] Christian, who is 60 years old, assembles the faithful of his nation every Sunday, and exhorts them to virtue, instructs them in our mysteries, and makes them recite all their prayers, in the same manner he formerly saw observed by the Jesuits at the time of his conversion. He even induces them also to offer frequent acts of contrition; and in this way, as far as he can, he enables them to supply the want of Confession.

From Father Claude Allouëz, who has been for almost two years among the upper Algonquins,—ranging with them vast forests, nearly 500 leagues distant from Quebec,—no tidings have been received for more than a year—either because that [14] Father, succumbing to the extreme fatigues of that occupation, has followed his predecessor, Father René Menard, to Heaven; or because the roaming bands of Iroquois have prevented those remote people from coming to Quebec to do their customary trading.

God has abundantly blessed Father Henri Nouvel's labors among the Papinachois and other tribes below Tadoussac, that Mission having united many neophytes with the Church, besides forty-six children