

savages again arrived; I baptized one of their children, only just born, and it died on the Day after its baptism. Before leaving the outagamis, the holy Ghost led me to bring to our chapel two children who were very sick; I baptized them and they died a short time after my departure. After I had finished the mission to the outagamis, I learned that the miami Captain who had once been my host was dying. I had Until then deferred his baptism, because, although he seemed sufficiently well disposed, he could not, on account of his rank as Captain, through courtesy, refrain from involving himself in the superstitions of the Young men. I went to his house, but he was not there; and, while he was coming to seek me to be baptized, he died on the way without baptism. God refused me that one for whom I made the journey, but my trouble was not unprofitable; For, in place of this Captain, He granted me two other persons, whom I baptized before their deaths."

Father Jacques Marquette has begun a fourth Mission, that of the Illinois. These are the first tribes that he met on the journey which he made last year to discover the Southern sea. The Father went, last spring, to lay the foundations of that Mission; and on his return he gloriously ended his life in the midst of his labors, on the very shores of the lake of the Illinois. We give here an account of his death, and of the remarkable circumstances that accompanied it.⁴⁸