

he at once made himself remarked among all the others. Accordingly, Father Frémin, who has charge of that Mission, then conceived so high an opinion of him that, while he tried the other Savages for two or three whole years before administering holy baptism to them, he administered it to this one after a trial of only two months. Thenceforward, that good neophyte gave increasing evidence of his piety and fervor; and, although it is a praiseworthy custom among our Christian Savages here to come quite often during the day to pray in the church, Skandegorhaksen surpassed all the others in these holy exercises, and had his stated hours, like a religious. He came every morning at four o'clock, and then heard two masses. He returned to the chapel about ten o'clock; he did the same an hour after noon, then at three o'clock; and came again at sunset, with all the Savages; and, finally, between eight and nine in the evening.

It is no exaggeration to say that he prayed in the church like an angel, so modest was he. Merely to see him take holy water on entering and on leaving the chapel, and make profound inclinations before the Blessed Sacrament, inspired one with devotion. The French, who know not the names of the Savages, generally distinguished him from the others by saying that he was the young man who prayed to God in the chapel so fervently, and at all hours of the day. He manifested no less devotion in his cabin. He spent his whole time in chanting prayers to the airs of church hymns, and in saying the rosary aloud; and he gently urged the other Savages of his age to do the same, when they came to visit him.