

energetically for the conversion of his countrymen.

In the nearest village, Onneiout, dwells Father Millet, upon whom God confers a most special blessing; and so great is it that the Savages of that village, who were the most arrogant and the most averse to the Faith, have become the most tractable, and all ask to become Christians. All the exercises of Christianity are openly practiced, and in this there is something indeed astonishing.

Then comes the village of Onnontagué whose apostle is Father Jean de Lamberville. He it is who so nobly sacrificed himself for the salvation of these Missions, and who labors therein with much courage and constancy.

Farther on is the village of Oiougouin, where Father de Carheil resides. The apostolic zeal of that holy man is such that he does not find that the Savages respond to his efforts; but I think that he exacts too much virtue from them at the beginning. If he does not sanctify as many of them as he would wish, it is certain that he sanctifies himself in a proper manner. So also do Fathers Garnier and Raffeix in the villages of the Sonnontouans, who are the farthest from us, and who also seem to be as remote from the Faith. Nevertheless, these two brave missionaries fail not to win many victories over hell. Father Pierron has gone to join them, to take charge of a large village for which we have hitherto been unable to provide. I must here mention in confidence to Your Reverence something about that Father, which will console you and which proves his great virtue. Before leaving us to return among the Iroquois,—for whom he has a very great natural repugnance, which he very bravely overcomes,—he