

they could, after all, go with the french. The first statement did not please them at all, and they said that to withdraw from The french and lose the christian faith was the same thing. As for the second, they said that the french would distrust them too much. The 3rd proposal pleased them; and they said that, having but one and the same faith with the french, they wished also to run the same risks together. Accordingly, they set out, and had the approbation of the whole army in their entire conduct—whether they were sent as ambassadors among the iroquois, or our people applied to them for provisions from their chase, or advice were asked from them, as from people expert in war and who had been in close conflict.

The captain of the anies has himself made a present to the chapel, worth four beavers,—or 240 livres, in the money of orange,—that is, a candlestick with eight branches, similar to the one which is in the orange meeting-house. It is of bronze, and was made in holland. This captain, going to war, wished to leave a monument of his piety, after having given up his cabin, one year previously, to the service of God.

The chapel being finished, we placed therein the gifts which the savages made for it, or caused to be made—their robes, striped taffeta from china which some have left for it, and an altar-screen. They have decorated a beam which is above the altar with their collars,—which they put about the heads of the warriors, like a crown,—with their porcelain bracelets, with shields which the women wear to adorn their hair, and with belts, which are the savages' pearls. Several masses have been said by way of thanksgiving for the favors which God has vouchsafed to catherine of the Sault.