

after having heard a hundred reproaches that they heaped upon him,—that it was in vain that he had instructed them in our mysteries; that we were traitors; etc. A man and woman, both strongly attached to christianity and to Christians, made presents and intrigued so well that they saved this Father Millet's life. They adopted him in place of their father, who had died a long time before; and of their dwelling they made a chapel, where the Father performed his functions of missionary—with the result that in the midst of these hostile barbarians he maintained the worship of God, and there converted many Iroquois. After having spent 5 years among them,—being present at the death of the french prisoners whom they burned, and persuading them to grant life to others, he was brought back to Kebec, to the captain of new france, with 15 french captives. Efforts were then made, but in vain, to make peace with the Iroquois by those who had been most interested in the treacherous act committed in violation of the safety promised them; and, while I was bringing the rest of the deputies, the french went by another route to attack and plunder their Villages. The Iroquois broke off all plans for peace, especially on account of the solicitations made to them by their English neighbors in new france to continue with them the war against us; it was that which caused still more troops to be requested from the King. The war was begun a year before that which the english declared against us; and it was for this reason that the french would have been glad to have peace with the Iroquois in that country, where the french and the Iroquois burn each other when taken alive.