

who died in the odor of sanctity; all the savage women are similarly dressed.

As for the question of morality, The Iroquois and hurons are more inclined to the practice of virtue than other nations; they are the only savages capable of refined feelings; all the others are to be set down as Cowardly, ungrateful, and voluptuous. If there were no french in canada, we would have as many saints in our mission as we now have christians; but the bad example and solicitations of the french are a Very great obstacle to the sanctification of our Iroquois. Although it be forbidden under the severest penalties to give brandy to the savages, and although, during the last two months, exemplary punishment has been meted out to four frenchmen, one of whom was condemned to the galleys, two to be whipped by the public Executioner, and the other to be fastened to the carcan for having carried on this illicit trade, still our savages find all the brandy they want, and as soon as they are drunk they are capable of any crime. Not three months ago, an algonquin, in A drinking-bout, killed with three stabs of a knife a poor soldier who was quietly working in a house at monreal. Arrested on the spot, the algonquin thought he would escape punishment because he was drunk and did not know what he was doing. He was condemned notwithstanding to be hanged; but as The executioner was away he was killed by a blow on the head. Should any one of our savages make his appearance in The village while in a state of intoxication, he is obliged to submit to a public penance. He is to remain kneeling outside the church during mass, and the other prayers made in common, for 10 or 12 days, according