

the same day, I myself went to the woods where they were working, to strike some blows with an axe, for the purpose of animating our workmen and enjoying the consolation of also having a hand in the work.

On the 14th of April, I started from Sept Isles to go to Mingan, where Monsieur Volant had several times invited me to visit him. I arrived there on the 16th of the same month, about six o'clock in the evening. On the 3rd of May,—the fourth Sunday after Easter, and the feast of the invention of the Holy Cross,—I had the honor of seeing erected there, by Monsieur Volant and all the French then at the post, a cross 25 feet high, which I blessed on that day, to the great satisfaction of all.

On the third day after my arrival at that place, I left it to return to Sept Isles, where I arrived on the following day, the sixth of the same month, an hour or two after sunset. I remained there for more than three weeks longer,—that is to say until the 1st of June, when I embarked in a canoe to go among the other posts. After spending about a month at Quebec, I left it on the 10th of October, the feast of St. Francis Borgia, to winter at Chikoutimy. I arrived there two days before All Saints' day, and on the day after All Souls' day I left again, to see and confess the French and savages at Tadoussac. On the 12th of November, I embarked in the evening to go up to Chikoutimy; but we could only proceed 4 leagues that day. After being wind-bound for two whole days, I was obliged to return to Tadoussac to say mass, on the third day, which was a Sunday,—as the wind still continued contrary, and one of my canoemen had fallen ill. At last I started in the