

I formerly had with them. The bonds of charity that united us are not broken, and we are brothers ever. I may tell you, for your consolation, that I have had the satisfaction of preparing Your Sisters of St. Malo for the renewal of their Vows, which took place on the 21st of November last, by a Retreat of 8 days, which I preached to them with the consent of the Ecclesiastical Superiors. I promised to do them the same service between Ascension and Pentecost, If the Lord preserve my life and health. I shall preach two other retreats before then, here and at Dinan. You see that people still deign to employ us. Pray to God that he may bless the seed of the word, which has fallen on well-prepared soil. You were always well affected toward us in Paris; but our mothers of St. malo are in no wise behind you, if they do not even surpass you. From the time of their establishment in this town, in 1621, 2 Jesuits from the College in Rennes came, without interruption, twice a year to preach a Retreat to them. Nevertheless, I am the first who has, since our extinction in france, in 1762, preached one to them. This is a very well-constituted and very fervent Community. If you write me some news of our sisters in Quebec, they will appreciate it highly and receive it very attentively.

What do you wish me to tell you in connection with the land of harenvilliers? It is unfortunate that the Nephew has not inherited the care and zeal of his most worthy uncle, who for more than 45 years looked after the interests of our mothers in the most noble and disinterested manner. I observe with sorrow that our poor mothers are in a state of great embarrassment, at the very moment when