

ings that God was pouring out upon this New Church. I shall not speak of the difficulties of his voyage, all that has been already told; it was enough for him that he baptized a poor wretch they were leading to his death, to sweeten all his trials.

I heard from him that Louys de sainte Foy,<sup>45</sup> before leaving to go to the war, held this conversation with his father, as he learned from the father himself: "My father, since you wish to be a Christian, [256] and to go down there to the French, I beg you to understand well why you wish Baptism, and do not mingle therein any worldly considerations; do it to honor God and for the salvation of your soul, and not in the expectation of deriving some benefit or some favor from the French. You already have enough Porcelain necklaces; I have still some, that I leave you. All is yours, do not seek anything more; we shall be rich enough, if we believe in God and if we obey him. When you are down there with the French, do not go idling from Cabin to Cabin, do not go into the houses of the French, playing the nuisance or the beggar; visit Monsieur de Champlain often, and do not go far away from the Fathers." These are the counsels that the son gave to the father; he realized that he was fond of gambling and of worldly wealth; for this reason, when he saw that our Fathers talked of baptizing his parent, owing to his earnest entreaties, he begged them not to be too hasty, as he wished to see a better preparation in his father for a Sacrament of so great importance. Now, our Hurons having arrived, they held their councils, [257] and made some presents to cause our French to dry their tears, and more easily swallow the bitterness they experienced at the death of the late Mon-