

find the great support of Mons de la Barre, the present governor of Canada, is from the Jesuits of this court, which order hath always a great number of missionaries in that region, who, besides the conversion of infidels, have had the address to engross the whole castor trade from which they draw considerable advantage. \* \* \* Radition [Radisson] arrived about the time you mentioned at Rochelle, and hath been in Paris these five days. There came on shore, at the same time, from a merchant vessel, "Les Grosellieres," a person whose story is well known in those countries."

By the persuasions of Lord Preston and Sir James Hayes, the two Frenchmen agreed to go to England, were presented to the king in the spring, and Radisson sailed for Hudson's Bay, where he had the French flag lowered, and the English banner again hoisted.

In 1665, some traders from Cheguamegon visited Canada, and invited the Jesuit Allouez to return with them. He reached the bay on the first of October. He remained there several years, but on the third of November, 1669, left Sault Ste. Marie for the Green Bay region. He writes: "Two canoes of Pouteouatamis wishing to take me to their country, not that I might instruct them, they having no disposition to receive the faith, but to pacify some young Frenchmen, who were among them for the purpose of trading."<sup>1</sup> On the second of December, the eve of St. Francis Xavier's day, he reached a point in the Green Bay region where were French traders; and, the next day, eight of them attended mass.

In September, 1680, Du Luth and some other white men, left the Sioux of the Mille Lacs region. Hennepin, who had accompanied two of La Salle's traders up the Mississippi, and had met with Du Luth, who had been in the Lake Superior region for a long period, writes as follows: "Toward the end of September, having no implements to begin an establishment, we resolved to tell these people, that for their benefit we would have to return to the French settlements. The grand chief of the Issati or Nadouessioux

<sup>1</sup> *Jesuit Relations*, 1669-70.