

the preceding year in itinerant missions among the tribes in Central Wisconsin. From the Outagamies he expects much, for they have been sorely afflicted of late, by war, famine, and sickness. A letter from André, dated April 20, 1676, gives some account of the De Pere mission. His stations are scattered around Green Bay, ten to fifteen leagues apart; "this compels me To Be always in the Field." He has on this bay "from 4 to 500 Christians." He has secured forty-five baptisms, but has had to endure much at the hands of the infidels. One of these burns André's house: "he did so perhaps to allay the sorrow that he felt for the death of his two children, who were killed some time ago by a savage." The Father mentions various journeys which he has made among the scattered tribes, baptizing some children or old men at each camp; the devil tries "to revenge himself for the prey that I Snatched from him through these Baptisms." Among the Winnebago Indians André finds others, who speak their language, are neutral in the war between them and the Sioux, and belong to the Iowas, 200 leagues westward from Green Bay. A postscript by Dablon summarizes André's observations on the apparent tides in Green Bay.

Silvy has gone to the Mascouten village, to aid Allouez in that great field. He finds (April 6, 1676) among them thirty-six adult Christians and 126 baptized children. The savages, both Christian and pagan, throng to his chapel. He details the pious behavior of one of the Christians, who, at the elevation of the host, feels such awe and veneration that he "suddenly fell into such convulsions that he seemed like one possessed."

From St. Ignace mission, Pierson writes (April 25, 1676) in highly encouraging terms. He has baptized forty-seven adults, a number greater than that of the children; and his Huron church is steadily growing in faith and devotion, as well as in numbers. The medicine-men have kept the promise given by them two years ago, to abandon their juggleries and superstitions. The Iroquois are endeavoring to gain the good will of the Hurons; but the Jesuits fear that this is but a pretext to lure the Hurons to the Iroquois country, which would ruin the St. Ignace mission. The other Fathers who labor on or near