

race from which she had sprung. From them I learned to feel an interest in the aboriginal races of this country, much stronger than I was likely to entertain from the mere casual sight of them as they appeared in the streets, or came to the door with bundles of baskets for sale. It did not, however, occur to me, to think of them otherwise than as objects of interest and curiosity, until six months after, at the Bishop's Visitation at Toronto, Mr. McMurray read to me a letter he had received from a member of his former charge, Shinguaconse, or *The Little Pine*, chief of the small tribe amongst whom he resided as a missionary. It appeared, that on Mr. McMurray's removal from that station, on account of the ill-health of himself and his wife, to both of whom the severity of the winter in that latitude was becoming more and more dangerous, the mission passed into the hands of Mr. O'Meara; and on his removal to the Manitoulin Islands, the government being desirous of concentrating the Indians in those quarters on the Great Manitoulin, the mission at the south of Lake Superior was discontinued, and the Indians at that point were invited to join their countrymen at Manitoulin. The chief, it seems, complied to a