

principal Hurons having assembled in the largest cabin of the village, I asked them what their sentiments were at having received so holy and magnificent a present. The Latin letter that is sent you is a sincere and accurate account of what the two chiefs and some old men said in the name of all. Then it was decided that you too should share in all the future prayers and blessings of their mission; that they would offer prayers every day for your illustrious company; that they would show a special devotion to the Saints whose relics you have sent to us, as to our new patrons; and that the silver chemise should be always exposed in a handsome niche above our tabernacle.

I am very glad, Gentlemen, to have this opportunity to show you the esteem and respect which we feel for your holy and venerable Chapter, of which so memorable an account has been given us. I have not failed, for a long time, to remember it in my little prayers, as I shall continue to do all the rest of my life,—being more than ever under obligations to do so after it has honored our dear mission with such beautiful gifts.¹⁹

I am, Gentlemen, with respect,

Your very humble and very obedient
servant in Jesus Christ,

PIERRE JOSEPH MARIE CHAUMONNOT,

Of the Society of Jesus.

[Endorsed: "To Messieurs the Gentlemen of the Chapter of the cathedral Church of Our Lady of Chartres. At Chartres."]