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Sir,

I think it right to bring to your notice the information that has been furnished me by a Missionary about the Indians of the north shore of the River St Lawrence below Natas-kowan in my diocese.

270 miles  
" I cannot do otherwise, says the good priest, than show you the extreme poverty of the Indians scattered about this part of the coast from Natas-kowan to Bonue-Sopiance, a distance of about 90 leagues. These Indians together with a certain number of families of mixed race, will perish for hunger this winter if some one does not come to their assistance. Chiefly the Indians who are incapable of following hunting in the woods while they have neither provisions nor ammunition. They are truly in desolation & in a very critical position from all accounts. There are about forty families of these Indians scattered about on this part of the coast."

These Indians as you know have never participated in the aid given to those of Behaimb & Godbout which are