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17th day after my depart-
ent to visit, (Father Bona-
manner which wonderfully
e usually feel on finding a
; add to this, we were of
ne motive had led us from
herefore, dear to him, for
he neglected nothing to
with my visit. He was a
f, and highly esteemed for
labors. His house was
t was, so to speak, his own
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the duties of his office, he
the labors of the field; he
election he had made gave
and extensive knowledge.
was quite familiar to him,
spoke it, endeared him to
ated to him their reflections
d especially on religion.
and no one deserved it more

isance towards some of the
as to teach them French.
ral whose good sense, solid
ould have made them admi-
had their minds been culti-

vated by study. During the whole time I spent with
this religious, I found daily new reasons to envy him a
lot like his. In one word, he was as happy as men
should be not to blush at their happiness.

After doing, at Detroit, what had led me thither, I
returned to Niagara, and remained there two years more;
during this time I learned the Iroquois and Ottawa lan-
guages, in order to converse with the people. This
study at first afforded me the pleasure of conversing
with the Indians, when I went to walk in the neighbor-
hood of the post; in the sequel you will see that it was
of great use to me, and actually saved my life.

When my three years' residence at Niagara had ex-
pired, I was relieved according to custom, and went to
spend the winter in our convent at Quebec.

It was a great comfort for me to pass that rigorous
season there; if we had not what is superfluous, at
least we never wanted what is necessary, and, what is
not the least consolation, we receive news from home,
and have persons to converse with.

Early in the spring, the chaplain of Fort Frontenac
fell sick, and our Commissary appointed me to go and
take his place. I have already spoken of the situation
of this post; we live agreeably there, and game is found
in abundance in the marshes, by which Fort Frontenac
is surrounded.

I remained here only two years, when I was recalled
to Montreal, and soon after sent to Crown Point in Lake
Champlain. It will not be amiss, I think, to tell you
why this point bears the name of Crown or Scalp.
When the Indians kill any one on their expeditions, it
is their custom to take off his scalp, which they bring