

beads they intermingle between spaces other beads, as black as those which I have spoken of to be white, made with jet, or certain hard and black wood which is like unto it, which they smooth and make small as they list, and this hath a very good grace. . . . They esteem them more than pearls, gold or silver. . . . But in Port Royal, and in the confines thereof, and towards Newfoundland, and at Tadoussac, where they have neither pearls nor vignols, the maids and women do make *matachias*, with the quills or bristles of the porcupine, which they dye with black, white, and red colours, as lively as possibly may be, for our scarlets have no better lustre than their red dye; but they more esteem the *matachias* which come unto them from the Armouchiquois country; and they buy them very dear; and that because they can get no great quantity of them, by reason of the wars that those nations have continually one against another. There are brought unto them from France *matachias* made with small quills of glass mingled with tin or lead, which are trucked with* them, and measured by the fathom, for want of an ell." [Book II, chap. xii.]

"Our savages have no base exercise, all their sport being either the wars or hunting . . . or in making implements fit for the same, as Cæsar witnesseth of the ancient Germans, or in dancing . . . or in passing the time in play." Lescarbot then describes their bows and arrows, but as I have elsewhere referred to this account, it may be here omitted. "They also," he says, "made wooden mases, or clubs, in the fashion of an abbot's staff, for the war, and shields which cover all their bodies. . . . As for the quivers that is the women's trade. For fishing: the Armouchiquois which have hemp do make fishing lines with it, but ours that have not any manuring of the ground, do truck for them with Frenchmen, as also for fishing-hooks to bait for fish; only they make with guts bow-strings, and rackets, which they tieat their feet to go upon the snow a hunting.

"And for as much as the necessity of life doth constrain them to change place often, whether it be for fishing (for every