

devoted himself completely to the service of God. He entered the profession of the church, his zeal prompting him to give all his vast revenues to the interests of his religion, and particularly, to aid foreign missions, and we learn that amongst other bequests, he provided ample funds for the formation of a settlement of Christian Indians. And it was on the ground we now stand and the spot where we have erected this monument, that the first fruits of his noble offering were bestowed.

We feel that this record of the man who founded this place which is honored by his name, should inspire us all with some portion of his self denying zeal, and we may all learn something from his example. It is therefore, no little pleasure to have to congratulate you upon completing the work and recording his name upon it.—He died at Paris, 26 Sept. 1640.

I must now refer briefly to his contemporary, the Rev. Father Ennémond Massé and I hesitate to cull out of a biography which records a life of such long continued self-sacrifice any single incident for this sketch—he seemed to have borne with cheerfulness all the hardships of life. He was wrecked, imprisoned, seized by pirates, subsisted for two months on roots and acorns, and above all, was one of the first Christian missionaries, to come out to preach the Gospel of Peace to the Indians. It was here he taught and lived and died. No great glory to was be won, and his hearers were a few scattered Indians of the Huron tribe. It was here the first