

Perche, from Normandy, or whether he came from Brittany itself. Thus, we see at the very beginning of the colony, the priests, the recollets, the jesuits, the ursulines, the hospitallers and the settlers themselves without distinction of origin become its ardent promoters among the natives. (1) They sought by this means to establish a bond of union between those tribes so different in language, in character, and in customs; and, frequently separated by distances of four hundred leagues.

Of course, the Blessed Virgin and St. Joseph, by their dignity and merits, always occupied a suitable place in the missionary's heart: (2) but the latter, starting from the principle that the homages paid to the mother are the glory of her children, applied himself on all occasions « not to separate those whom God has so closely united. (3) » Consequently, in giving names in baptism, in naming villages, or in the choice of the titularies of churches, the name of St. Anne is invariably placed beside that of her holy Daughter. The chapel of Ste Anne of Cape Breton at once follows that of Notre Dame des Anges of Quebec; in the Huron country, the village nearest the mission of St. Mary receives the name of St. Anne, with the full determination to dedicate to the latter saint the chapel that may be built there. The same is done at Quebec, at Montreal and at the *côte de Beauport*. At Quebec, St. Anne's chapel rises at the same time as the church of the Immaculate Conception and even adjoins it. At Montreal, a chapel dedicated to our saint built by M^r Le Ber at one extremity of the town, soon followed that of Notre Dame de Bonsecours, built at the other extremity by the venerable sister Bourgeois. And finally on the *côte de Beauport*, were not the sites of the two neighboring churches of the Nativity, at Chateau Richer, and of St. Anne, at the Petit Cap marked out at the same time? And what do we learn from the *Jesuit Relations*, those precious archives of the time in which the first triumph of the faith over paganism and barbarism are inscribed? Still

(1) Rev. Father Laurent Memillod. The devotion and patronage of St. Anne, p. 148. *Le culte et le patronage de Ste Anne*.

(2) Father Charles Lallemant had made a vow to give the name of Mary to the first woman, and that of Joseph to the first man, whom he would baptize among the savages. *Relation* of 1634, p. 8. (3) *Jesuit Relations*, 1640 p. 64.