

to comply with their request. The chieftains of the tribe, in virtue of the authority they held in such cases from the American Government, took the whiskey vendors prisoners, emptied the contents of the whiskey barrels into the sea, and set the ship on fire. They afterwards conducted their prisoners before the police authorities, who condemned them to three months' imprisonment and to the payment of a heavy fine." (Sketches of the life of Mgr. de Mazenod and of the labors of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate.)

Although the Indians of British Columbia have the reputation of being forgetful of past favors, still they show great reverence and love for the priests who have worked devotedly for their interests. Father Chirouse recounts, in one of his letters, an instance of this reverence which displayed itself in a somewhat extravagant form.

"One day Judith, who was a fervent convert, genuflected before me after I had said Mass. On my asking her why she did so, "Father," said she, "you have just celebrated Mass; you have received Jesus Christ; He is now within your breast, and it is to Him I genuflect. Are you not a Shork-siam-lasdegwad? That is one who is bearer of his God." Thus she spoke, without knowing that St. Cyril had used the same expression, Christopher, in his own language. I explained to her that she should not adore the Holy Eucharist where our Lord was not sacramentally present.

The establishment of St. Michael's Mission, on the north side of Harbledown Island, furnishes an example of the savage nature of the Indians of Fort Rupert, who were addicted to every sort of vice. The Rev. Fathers Padosy and Lejacq and Brother Burns were frequently the sad spectators of the most repulsive scenes. The Indians were even