

son) the pictures that be made of St. John Baptist. But in winter, they make good beaver sleeves, tied behind, which keep them very warm.... Our savages in the winter, going to sea, or a hunting, do use great and high stockings, like to our boot-hosen; which they tie to their girdles, and at the sides outward, there is a great number of points without taggs.... Besides these long stockings, our savages do use shoes, which they call *mekezin*, which they fashion very properly, but they cannot dure long, especially when they go into watry places, because they be not curried nor hardened, but only made after the manner of buff, which is the hide of an ellan.... As for the head attire, none of the savages have any, unless it be that some of the hither lands truck their skins with Frenchmen for hats and caps; but rather both men and women wear their hairs flittering over their shoulders, neither bound nor tied, except that the men do truss them upon the crown of the head, some four fingers length, with a leather lace, which they let hang down behind." [Book II, chap. ix.]

Describing the complexion of the savages, Lescarbot says: "They are all of an olive colour, or rather tawny colour, like to the Spaniards, not that they be so born, but being the most part of the time naked, they grease their bodies, and do anoint them sometimes with oil, for to defend them from the flies, which are very troublesome.... All they which I have seen have black hairs, some excepted which have Abraham colour hairs; but of flaxen colour I have seen none, and less of red." [Book II, chap. x.]

The Indians "have *matachias*, hanging at their ears, and about their necks, bodies, arms, and legs. The Brasilians, Floridians, and Armouchiquois, do make carkenets and bracelets (called *bou-re* in Brasil, and by ours *matachias*) of the shells of those great sea cockles, which be called *vignols*, like unto snails, which they break and gather up in a thousand pieces, then do smooth them upon a hot stone, until they do make them very small, and having pierced them, they make them beads with them, like unto that which we call *porcelain*. Among those