

The little band would then entone the hymn of thanksgiving, after which they would approach, each in his turn, and on his knees respectfully kiss the font. Again, Francis would organize them in procession around the font while chanting the Apostles' *Creed*. From the font they would proceed to the altar of the Most Blessed Sacrament, before which each would make the double genuflection thus to testify adoration for Our Lord Jesus Christ present in the tabernacle.

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Not less than St. Francis de Sales was St. Jane Frances de Chantal eager for instruction in the mysteries of our holy Faith.

On a certain day, one of the great lords of the kingdom was visiting her father, President Fremiot, and they were conversing together on some affair of State. From politics, they glided into religion, and both grew warm on some grave controversial questions. This great lord had lately become a Huguenot, that is, a Protestant. He was saying that nothing in his pretended religion pleased him so much as the negation of the Real Presence. Little Jane Frances was then only about four or five years old. Hearing the visitor's words, she broke away from her nurse, who was amusing her in a corner of the room, and running up to him, she exclaimed:

"My Lord, we *must* believe that Jesus Christ is in the Blessed Sacrament, because He Himself has said it. If you do not believe what He says, you make Him out a liar."

The gentleman, extremely impressed by the words of the child, reasoned with her long. Her answers were such as to surprise all who heard them. At last, the Huguenot offered her some sugar-plums. The dear little child not only would not touch them, but, taking them in her apron, she ran laughingly to the fire and threw them all into it, saying:

"See, my Lord, how all heretics will burn in the fire of hell, because they do not believe what Our Lord has said."

Then she ran back to him, and said: "If you had given the lie to the King, my papa would have you hung." And pointing to a large picture of SS. Peter and Paul, she added:

"You give so many lies to Our Lord that those two Presidents up there will have you hung."