

PERE MICHAUD.

BY T. G. MARQUIS. Pere Michaud was in a very disheartened frame of mind. He had expected that his youthful zeal would reach the heart of the red man. Even his faith was beginning to waver a little: the Church's blessing seemed to have but little efficacy, and the hand of Heaven had never intervened in the six long months that he had labored among the Mohawks.

It was now the depth of winter, and such a winter as had never entered into his dearest anticipation, when, in sunny France, he had thought of this arduous mission. The snow had fallen till every trace of ground was buried several feet beneath its gleaming surface. The rivers and lakes were bridged over with a full foot of ice, and the game on which he depended so much for his daily subsistence had taken shelter in the dense forest, or gone to the more congenial South. But this would all have been as nothing, if he could only have realized that one soul had been awakened from paganism to see the light that he had come so far, and striven so hard, to bear to their benighted condition. But not a single Indian had received the Gospel with anything but derision. It was true that some had made a profession and been baptized, but, as Pere Michaud afterwards discovered, it was only that they might obtain some trinkets, such as a leaden crucifix, or a string of beads, or a shirt, or hat from the scant store that the missionary had portaged with great difficulty through the forest. His spirits, buoyant at first, had gradually sunk, until now he was utterly hopeless. In the beginning of the cold season, the physical energy required to reach his little mission house with boughs and moss, and to heap up a bank of dried leaves and other debris about it to prevent the cold winter wind from blowing under his floor, kept away brooding melancholy. But that done, he had only to seek for game, and wait for his words to be wined like a piercing arrow to some savage heart.

The New Year had come and gone, and the thought of the little work accomplished and the long winter months before him filled him with utter gloom. On the second of January, 16, he wended his way into the forest, after a meagre breakfast of crushed Indian corn, to try to add something to his store. He took firearms with him, but only to use in case he came across a wolf or a bear. He had not too much ammunition, and every grain of powder was valuable. In the old world he had played at archery, and now he found it of great service. He soon became as expert as the most skillful savage with the bow, and was to the rabbit or partridge that came within range. He had but little success on this expedition, however, and returned at night, tired and half-famished, with but one rabbit. He threw his bow and arrows into a corner, cast the rabbit by the rude fire place of stones, and sat with an utterly dejected look on his countenance. A storm had been slowly gathering, and the cold north wind shrieked about his hut, mockingly laughing a crisp laugh at his lonely condition. His hunger and the intense cold soon overcame his depression, and he went energetically to work to make a fire. The pine boughs crackled and flamed with a joyous gleaming, as though the world was full of mirth, and the glowing oak logs flooded the room with a steady, firm, satisfying light. The father was not idle. With the experience of one who has long had to struggle for himself he took the rabbit, and in a few minutes it was skinned, cleaned and ready for the fire. The tender meat made a generous repast, after several days of dried crushed corn and water. It had the effect of cheering his spirits, and he did what he had not done for some days, took down his only book besides his Catechism and Missal, Thomas-Kemis. He had only one light to read by—the dancing flames of the merry pine boughs. Stretching himself on the floor of the hut before the fire, he read page after page of tender encouragement to his despairing soul. Why had he doubted God's goodness? It was his own selfishness that desired immediate fruit from his labors. Was it his desire to see God's kingdom advanced that had so disheartened him? Was it not rather that he had expected to be a great spiritual conqueror, and the pain he had experienced was because he saw no victories. How could he tell what the Lord was doing? Such thoughts flashed through his mind as he read the words of his saintly brother.

He became so absorbed in the book that he did not notice to what a mad height the storm without had risen. At last he was roused from his state of religious ecstasy by a fierce gust blowing open his door. The rude floor of his hut was in a moment covered with snow. He rose hastily, brushed out the snow and stepped out. "God help the poor fellow who is out to-night!" he said, "better far to be pursued by hungry wolves, than to be overtaken by this furious blast! How strange are thy ways, O Lord! One hour knoweth not what the next will bring forth! To-day the sun shone brightly in a clear blue sky, and made me think of my beloved France; to-night not a star gleams, not a ray of light illumines the darkness, all is gloom, fury, destruction. Oh dear Lord, forgive my fainting spirit! Oh Holy Mother, crave strength for me! I am a poor weakling without thy help! Raise up some task to try my zeal! The weak flesh tempts me to rebel; burden my spirit with some deed for thy glory. I am ready even though thou askest of me my life!" The heroic priest stood with his face towards the blast, and his grandeur for a moment seemed to conquer the storm. There was a

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