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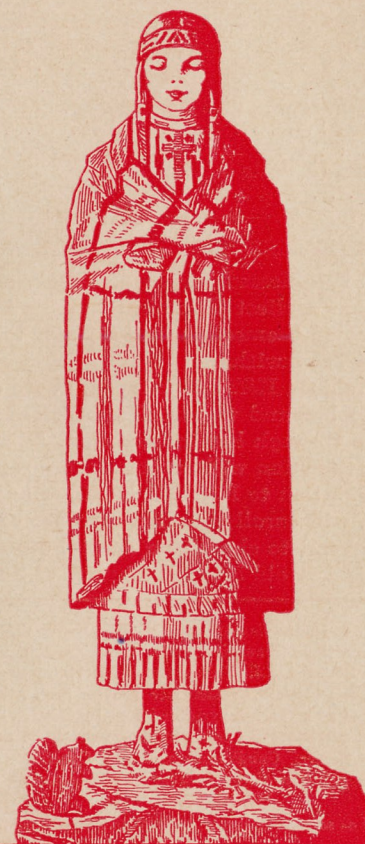




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THE RELICS OF TEKAKWITHA

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THE KATERI TEKAKWITHA GUILD

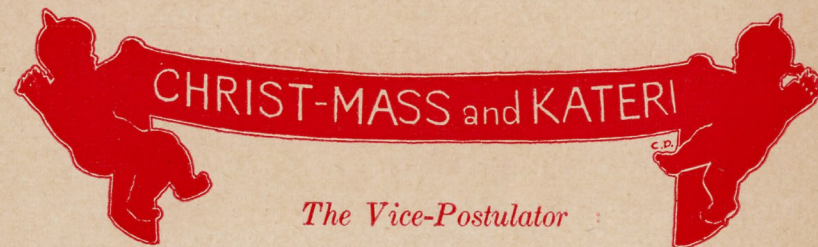
The sodalists of the Blessed Virgin of Caughnawaga, Quebec, who are descendants of the earliest Christian Indians in Canada and New York State, have formed themselves into a Guild to spread devotion to the Venerable Kateri Tekakwitha.

Our quarterly bulletin KATERI intends, above all, to tell her tale, to foster devotion to her and to record the favors both spiritual and temporal you receive through her intercession. As a result, it is hoped the cause of her Beatification will progress more rapidly.

A one year subscription to KATERI (\$1.00) or any other offering, no matter how modest, will enroll you as a member of the Kateri Tekakwitha Guild for one year, to share in a special Mass offered each week for your intentions in the old Mission Church of St-François-Xavier.

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The Vice-Postulator

Without realizing it, English-speaking non-Catholics render homage to the Faith of their pre-Reformation ancestors whenever they speak of the Feast of the Nativity. Just as I to you, they call out "Merry Christ-Mass!" to their friends at this time of the year.

For Kateri Tekakwitha, her first Christmas at Mission Saint-François-Xavier, 1677, turned out to be the greatest celebration in which she ever took part. At midnight she assisted at the Mass in honor of the Birthday of Christ; better still, with deep joy she received into her heart for the first time her Lord and Savior. The receiving of her first Holy Communion made that Christmas a truly merry one for her.

I'm sure she must recall it with emotion. Quite possibly on this day of days she desires to obtain special favors for her clients from the Child and from His tender Mother. You do feel, don't you, that she wants your Christmas to be merry?

Don't tell me you have no boon (queer how that word, Christ-Mass, projects me back to Catholic England of yore, when vassals requested fine favors of their lords!) to beg! No cures? No "rents" to find? No better paid jobs? Come now, you don't mean that you have no graces to implore! A good confession? Peace in your family? The smashing into smithereens of some gross temptation?...

As you ask humble Tekakwitha to intercede for you, you will find yourself in good company. A few weeks ago, the Most Reverend William Duke, Archbishop of Vancouver, while on a visit to Montreal, did not forget to come out and pay his respects to Venerable Kateri Tekakwitha and invoke her blessing upon two special intentions of his: the new community of Indian Sisters he had founded (one of Kateri's great desires after her arrival at the Mission) and all the Catholic Indian children of Canada — certain not-so-occult influences are fighting to throw them all into the maw of secularistic education.

❧ Send in your petitions: they will be placed on Kateri's relics! ❧

THE CENTENNIAL OF THE SISTERS OF ST. ANN
WELCOME, YOUR EMINENCE!⁽¹⁾

by the

VERY REVEREND FATHER LÉON POULIOT, S.J., PROVINCIAL.

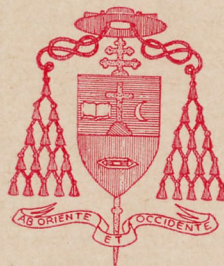
YOUR EMINENCE:

For the first time in its history, Mission Saint-François-Xavier is the host to a cardinal of the Holy Roman Church. The Mission is grateful to you for the encouragement and the affection which your presence here denotes.

So that the gratitude of the Mission be less imperfect, all who have taken part in its history, were anxious to be present today: the archdiocese of Montreal in the person of its auxiliary bishop, the Most Reverend Conrad Chaumont; the Oblate Fathers in the person of the Reverend Father Chartrand. The Department of Indian Affairs is represented by Mr. Phelan of Ottawa and by Mr. Brisebois, Indian Agent of the Department at Caughnawaga. The Superintendent of Education for the Province of Quebec, has seen fit to delegate Mr. Longtin as his representative. We have among us, Mr. Labarre, Director of the Normal Schools of the Province of Quebec, and Mr. Wescott, Inspector of Schools for this section of the

country. And, in the person of Mr. Donat Turcotte, Knight of St. Sylvester, we wish to thank all the signal benefactors of the Mission, whose names it would be too long to recall at present.

The Reverend Father Réal Lalonde, spiritual guide of the Indians of Caughnawaga for the last twelve years, has requested that I introduce Mission Saint-François-Xavier to your Eminence, and this I shall do as briefly as possible.



The French Jesuits of the XVII Century, upon arriving in Canada with the intention of spreading the light of the Gospel, soon found out that among all the Indians who inhabited the country, the

Iroquois were the most intrepid, the most chivalrous and the most intelligent. The Fathers employed all the resources of their talents and of their zeal to teach them the truths of the Catholic Faith, albeit they carefully respected, in complete harmony with Catholic procedure, their customs,

their language, their form of government and their fine, natural qualities.

The results surpassed the most optimistic expectations, for, less than fifty years after the foundation of the Mission, it already had a protectress in heaven, the maiden, Kateri Tekakwitha. The cause for her beatification is now pending at Rome. Naturally, we hope to honor and venerate her before long as the first native-born North American Saint.

The history of Mission Saint-François-Xavier did not wholly unfold itself at its present location. More than once, it moved from one spot to another. But always, its unity has been maintained, its Faith has been safeguarded. To guarantee the better its perseverance and its progress in the Faith, its Missionaries have always kept pace with it.

It is rather curious to note that once the site of the Mission was definitely established, then, so to speak, began the migrations of its Pastors. After the suppression of the Society of Jesus, the clergy of the one and only diocese of Quebec to begin with, and after 1836, that of the diocese of Montreal, ministered to the spiritual needs of the Mission. In the middle of the XIXth Century, the Oblate Fathers and particularly the indefatigable Father Burtin, watched over the religious interests of the Indians. Following their departure, the secular clergy of Montreal returned to Saint-François. Well remembered even today are the charity, the goodness, the untiring zeal of the Most Reverend Guillaume Forbes, missionary at Caughnawaga before being named

Bishop of Joliette and Archbishop of Ottawa.

In 1903, the Most Reverend Bruchesi, Archbishop of Montreal, invited the Fathers of the Society of Jesus to resume, to continue the work of their great predecessors of the XVIIth Century. They are still at work.

Similar in this to their predecessors, they have taken to heart the religious education of youth. Hence, the invitation they proffered one fine day to the Sisters of St. Ann, of whom you are, Your Eminence, the Cardinal Protector. The invitation was accepted and it is impossible today to exaggerate the role played by the Sisters of St. Ann in the maintenance and the progress of the Faith at Mission Saint-François-Xavier.

During recent years it was deemed preferable to have the Sisters take charge of the girls and the little tots only. And we have thought, Your Eminence, that, to come up to the goal set by our illustrious predecessors, to give ear to the solicitude of the Holy Father for the smaller nations, we must entrust the religious education of the boys to two of Ours, holders of academic degrees and well-versed in the art of teaching as well as deeply attached to the Indians of Caughnawaga. Whatmore, the youth of the Mission, has to lead it in the paths of virtue and to stimulate their religious ideals, the example and the eloquent word of one of theirs, the Reverend Father Michael Jacobs, S.J., missionary at St. Regis, where he also is assisted in his work among the Indians by the admirable Sisters of St. Ann.

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(1) An Address of Welcome to His Eminence Eugene Cardinal Tisserant, at the occasion of his visit to Caughnawaga by the Very Rev. Léon Pouliot, Provincial of the Lower Province of the Society of Jesus in Canada, Sept. 10, 1950. See Calendar Tidbits, p. 15.



OUR HEROINE

THE LIFE OF KATERI TEKAKWITHA

by

LORRAINE FITZGERALD.

CHAPTER V.
HER FIRST COMMUNION.
CHRISTMAS 1677.

The long anticipated privilege of living at the Mission of the Sault became a reality for Kateri in the autumn of 1677. On arriving there, she went to live with an adopted sister and brother-in-law, who took care of her until she died and furnished her with the necessities of life.

Providing for herself is no problem to the modern girl because positions in business and the professions are open to her. Such was not the case in Kateri's time, particularly for an Indian girl; to remain unmarried was practically unheard of. Kateri was not a burden to her sister and brother-in-law as she was a good worker and provided her share of the maintenance. Nevertheless clothing was difficult to obtain and many Iroquois girls who wished to imitate the French Religious were forced to marry in order to obtain clothes. To practice the evangelical counsels in this

manner was more heroic virtue for the Indians than for the French.

Kateri was continually being urged to marry, first by her uncle and other relatives and later at the Sault by her instructress who erroneously believed marriage to be the state in which she would best obtain salvation. Kateri knew otherwise and was firm in her resolve to keep the vow of virginity.

Her instructress was a venerable Christian woman named Anastasia Tagonhatsihongo. She had known Kateri's mother at Ossernenon, and was genuinely interested in the young girl.

Such was Kateri's interest that she learned more in one week than most girls learned in several years. She was never idle for a minute and loved to work side by side with Anastasia as this offered her unlimited opportunities of learning about the lives

and habits of good Christians. Kateri's one thought was to find out what was most pleasing to God. She desired to give all to God without any respect for creatures or any desire of return for herself. Her devotion was not an idle one of self-love, nor was she one of those obstinate devotees, who are in church when they should be at home. In attaching herself to God, she attached herself to work as a proper means of being united with Him as well as in order to preserve during the whole day the good inspirations she had received in the morning at the foot of the altar.

Thus Kateri lived from the autumn she arrived at the Sault until Christmas, and, because she led such a fervent and exemplary life, she merited at this time a grace not granted to those who came from the Iroquois until several years later. She was promised some time before the feast that she might receive Our Lord in Holy Communion for the first time on Christmas Day.

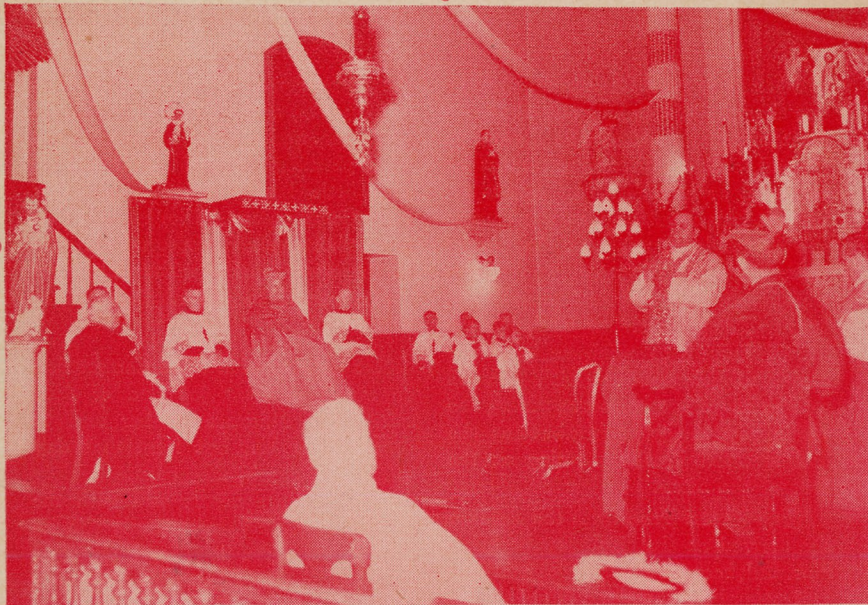
She received the good news with all imaginable joy, and prepared herself for the great event with an increase of devotion. When the great day came

she surrendered herself to Our Lord in Holy Communion and all her fervor was renewed. Only Jesus knew what passed between Himself and his dear little Indian spouse during her First Communion. All we know is that from that day she appeared different to those who worked with her, because she remained so full of God and of love of Him.

Not only was her First Communion an event of great joy and of deep spiritual significance to her and to those about her, but from that day until her death, she received Holy Communion frequently and with the same fervor, and undoubtedly she received the same love and manifold graces from Our Lord, who seeks only to visit us in this Sacrament of Love.

Her sanctity was so remarkable that at the time of general Communion the most devout women wished to be near her in church, claiming that the mere sight of her deep devotion at these times inspired them and served as an excellent preparation for approaching the Holy Table in a fitting manner.





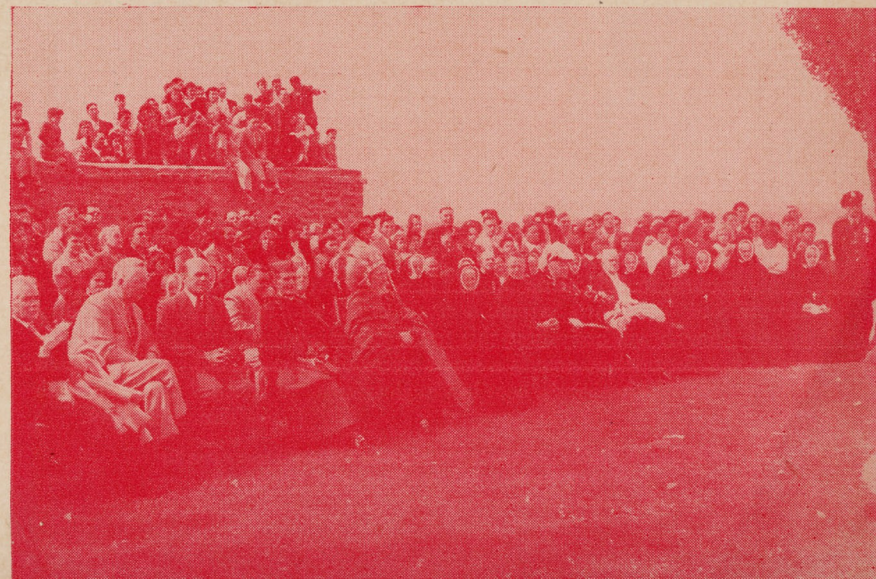
His Eminence, Card. Tisserant, at Mission Saint-François-Xavier, listens to Fr. M. Jacobs, Iroquois Jesuit, preaching...

His Eminence, after blessing Tekakwitha School, graciously consents to halt for the photographer.



On being inducted into the Iroquois Nation, His Eminence receives his new name : Cherished-Light-of-the-Orient.

Chief Cherished-Light-of-the-Orient after his imitation. **To his right :** Mother Leopoldine, General of the Sisters of St. Ann and Very Rev. L. Pouliot, S.J., Provincial; **to his left :** the Most Rev. C. Chaumont, Auxiliary Bishop of Montreal.



BLESSED MARGUERITE BOURGEOYS AND TEKAKWITHA

ON November 12, Ven. Marguerite Bourgeoys, foundress of the Congregation of Notre-Dame of Montréal, was elevated to the ranks of the "Blessed" by His Holiness, Pius XII. When Kateri arrived at Mission Saint-François-Xavier in 1677, Blessed Marguerite had already consecrated over twenty years of her life to the children of Montreal; after Ven. Kateri's death in 1680, only ten miles away, Blessed Marguerite Bourgeoys was to devote the twenty remaining years of her life to those little ones so loved by Christ. Truly the words of the Book of Wisdom apply to both of them: "*O how beautiful is the chaste generation with glory: for the memory thereof is immortal: because it is known both with God and with men.*"

IT'S AS SIMPLE AS THAT!

WHEN Our Savior founded His Church, He said: "*Thou art Peter: and upon this rock I will build my church and the gates of hell will not prevail against it*" (Matt., xvi, 16). He also added: "*Behold I am with you all days even to the consummation of the world*" (Matt., xviii, 20). The gates of hell have never prevailed against it.

That is why the Catholic Church, the only Christian Church capable of tracing its origin, year by year, back to Christ, has never taught falsehood. If it had, He would be a liar. It's as simple as that.

The Watchtower, organ of the Jehovah Witnesses frequently utters statements contrary to the teachings of the one Church founded by Christ. "*A deceitful witness uttereth a lie*" (Prov. xiv, 5).

In 1854, as successor of Peter, Pope Pius IX defined the truth of the Immaculate Conception. Now, *The Watchtower*, which apparently doesn't believe in the Bible and which prefers to ignore the miracles of Lourdes, disagrees. Why be surprised: "*A deceitful witness uttereth a lie!*"

Pope Martin I in the Lateran Council of 649 (quite a while before Russell and Rutherford), condemned all who did not confess the perpetual virginity of Mary. St. Epiphanius, who lived in the VIIIth Century, asks: "Did anyone ever exist who dared pronounce the holy name of Mary without instantly joining to it: *Virgin?*" Yes, indeed St. Epiphanius, *The Watchtower* and the Jehovahs! "*A deceitful witness uttereth a lie!*"

Last month on All Saints' Day, Pope Pius XII, officially proclaimed the Assumption of Mary into heaven, a truth as old as Christendom. A dyed in the wool Jehovah will not admit this truth any more than *The Watchtower* circulating, last September, among a small group of ignorant and gullible women and their compliant husbands, here in Caughnawaga. "*A deceitful witness uttereth a lie!*"

— TEKARONIOKEN.

✂ The printer's, the engraver's, the postman's bills will soon come in;

\$600.00 are needed at each issue to meet them. ✂

CARDINAL TISSERANT . . . — Continued

That is, Your Eminence, briefly outlined, the factual history of Mission Saint-François-Xavier. Its interior history, I mean that of the souls of the Mission, is for the most part, beyond our ken. However, from the earliest days of the Mission up to the present, it would be easy to find among the notes of our missionaries, numerous examples of virtue, of piety and of attachment to the Faith, similar to those recorded in the most inspiring pages of the history of the Church.

The proving of this point, as a matter of fact, is unnecessary. The most tangible proof of the fidelity of the ancestors and of that of the descendants, we have under our eyes in this church. Their living Faith attracts them to the Tabernacle and holds them near; their living Faith, Your

Eminence, enables them to draw from your presence consolation and joy unparalleled. And the spirit of the nation, a nation proud of its Catholic Faith, is manifested in the perfect harmony of the singing of this mass, so rich and appealing in expression.

Your Eminence, both the clergy and the faithful of Mission Saint-François-Xavier thank you for coming. They also thank you beforehand, for all that you will do to hasten the glorification of Kateri Tekakwitha.

The visit of Your Eminence amongst us, is, for us all, a matter of legitimate pride. And we beg Your Eminence to offer to the Holy Father the expression of the indefectible fidelity of Mission Saint-François-Xavier of Caughnawaga.

FROM DE SMET, IDAHO

"Enclosed please find check for subscription to the magazine, KATERI. I would appreciate having the back numbers if they are available, Father, so that we can have the complete file of them. It is an excellent little work. You know, Father, there is great devotion to Kateri here among the Cœur d'Alenes, and much interest in the progress of her Cause. It goes way back... Fifteen years ago the Fathers' Residence was burned to the ground, and three years after that, the beautiful Mission Church. To date, neither has been rebuilt. This year our school building was decided to be unfit for further use. It is obviously necessary that buildings be put up, something worthy of the Sacred Heart, to whom this mission is dedicated, and worthy of a tribe 100% Catholic for over a century. The big problem, naturally is funds. In fact, it would seem that we need a first class miracle. And yet, we have put the whole matter in the hands of Kateri with full confidence that she is vitally interested in us and our project, and will come to our aid. We have promised to erect a shrine for her here in the West, as a token of our gratitude to her for this favor, or near-miracle, which we are sure she will obtain..." John J. Brown, S.J.

✂ Always add your own name and address when you write. ✂

LETTERS TO KATERI

(When acknowledging favors to Kateri, be sure to indicate details.)

London, Ont., Oct. 3, 1950: Please accept this donation (\$5.00) for Catherine Tekakwitha. She has helped a great deal in healing my T.B. If it weren't for her, I'm sure I would have to spend much longer in the sanatorium... Mrs. H. J. T.

Chicago, Ill. July 20: ...The little lad of whom I wrote to you a short while back, is very much on the mend. He was only given a limited time to live, and now is out playing around much to the amazement of his family... Enclosed you will find the check of \$15.00, and I hope that I can send many of these for the cause of Kateri... Miss C.C.G.

Biddeford, Me., Aug. 26: ... Having obtained through the intercession of Kateri a successful business deal, I am forwarding in thanksgiving the enclosed offering (\$5.00)... Miss Y.B.

Rosseau, Ont., July 31: I am enclosing \$2.00 for Kateri in thanksgiving for favor received. I made a novena that a red mark around my baby's neck would disappear and it did. I pray for her Beatification... Mrs. E.B.

St. Louis, Mo., Oct. 6: Enclosed is a list of names to add to the subscribers. By way of introduction, my family visited with you at the Kateri Mission this past summer — my mother, dad, and two brothers. I had heard about the village and told them to be sure to visit it while touring Canada. I have not as yet had the pleasure of visiting

it. On their return they gave me a little prayer for the beatification of Kateri. I say it every day and made a novena to Kateri last year when I was placed in the position of securing a different job. She got one for me and a better one even than I had. My family's visit and this list are my "thanks"... Miss M.J.D.

Ville La Salle, Que., Oct. 7: Enclosed please find small donation promised for favor received through Kateri's intercession... R.H.S.

Los Angeles, Calif., Oct. 6: Enclosed is an offering I promised if Kateri obtained a favor for me. The favor was a material one. I asked her that my husband's blood-sugar in excess would reduce and in two weeks the count went from 152° to 118°. How wonderful! and I am thankful to her... Mrs. H.K.

Halifax, N.S., Oct., 9: Dear Kateri: I enclose a money order for \$5.00 (five dollars) as a donation towards your monument statue. This is in thanksgiving for two favors you obtained for me lately. I asked you to pray that I would make a difficult sale. In very short time I succeeded. Then a second time I asked you to pray when the payment wasn't forthcoming. I reminded you that your name Tekakwitha means one who puts things in order. The much needed cheque arrived. So now I want others to know about your favors to me so they

will have devotion to you. I also enclose the names of good Catholics who would appreciate knowing you, dear Kateri. Please pray for another intention of mine... Mrs. D. Mac. K.

Manchester, N.H., Oct. 4: The enclosed donation is for a favor received through the intercession of Kateri. She helped me find the employees I needed to help me in my work. I still have another favor to obtain, a more important one, and for this we have begun the Novena for the Beatification of Kateri... Mr. R.T.

Ludlow, Mass., Sept. 19: Enclosed please find money order for \$5.00 for a favor I obtained. I was very sick and asked Kateri to cure me. I did recover. Please pray for my son and daughter who are both sick... Mrs. H.L.

Reading, Pa., Sept. 26: Please use donation toward the fund for a statue of Kateri. Please publish that I was granted a favor through her intercession: financial help received... Mrs. E.O.

Quebec, P.Q., Oct. 16: ... I want to tell you, Father, that I obtained within eight days after writing to you, the favor that I had requested Kateri to intercede for. I promised to have the favor published in *Kateri* should it be granted. I am also enclosing a cheque of \$5.00 to be used for Kateri where it is the most urgently needed... Mme P.-E. B.

Quincy, Mass., Oct. 12: I did not receive my *Kateri* and missed it very much... Enclosed find five dollars which I promised Kateri for a favor granted... Mrs. W.S.

Toronto, Ont., Oct. 6: The illness that struck me so suddenly in June is much better. The trouble is caused by an injury to my spine. The doctor advised me to go away and rest. This I did all summer. I made a novena to Kateri asking her help. The doctor told me when I returned I must wear a steel support. The other day I went back to the doctor. He was so surprised at how well I looked. My back is so much better that I do not have to wear that support. This I know was my novena to Kateri. My children, husband and myself all wear the Kateri medal... I am going to make another novena for something that seems impossible. That is an other place to live... I know that Kateri will help us, and so we will make novena after novena until our prayers are answered... Mrs. J.M.

New Sudbury, Ont., Oct. 6: I was a patient at St. Joseph's Hospital in Sudbury when I first heard of the heroic virtues of Ven. Kateri. Having undergone two serious operations I felt my resistance diminishing continually. Then I began to invoke little Kateri with ardor. Ever since I have been feeling much better... Ever since I have been active in making Kateri known among my friends... I am sending you the names of some friends who will be happy to know something about this powerful friend of God... Mme R.A.

Mt. Royal, Que., Sept. 26: The enclosed check (\$5.00) is for Kateri's funds for her beatification — in thanksgiving for a safe journey... From a Friend.



(A little T.N.T.)

INTERVIEW with KATERI

CHUBBY INDIAN ANGEL : The Vice-Postulator's article in the September issue of KATERI about spurring on people to write in to Ottawa re a Canadian ambassador to the Vatican wasn't very effective, was it, Venerable Kateri ? As "protectress of Canada", aren't you concerned ?

KATERI : It takes time for an idea to flow into the fingertips of human beings...

INDIAN ANGEL (*scowling slightly*) : I'm sure the Fallen One would have suggested enclosing a pellet of T.N.T. in each issue of KATERI... Of course, good angels shouldn't talk that way. But the Vice-Postulator would get results !...

KATERI : No, my cherub, positively not ! How do you think my clients would be fit for correspondence

with Ottawa after that ?... Instead, I'm dictating a letter to you. Take it down and then ask the Canadian readers of KATERI to do as much. Their friends also... Their friends must not be forgotten !

INDIAN ANGEL : (*Takes quill out of headgear, produces ink and paper out of thin air*) : I'm ready, dear Tekakwitha !

KATERI (*dictating in a low, mellow voice*) :

*The Honorable L. B. Pearson
Minister of External Affairs
Ottawa, Canada.
Honorable Sir :*

As you know, Great Britain, Finland, Egypt and many other countries are diplomatically represented at the Vatican. As a Canadian citizen, I respectfully submit that a Canadian ambassador be accredited to the Vatican. Such action, I am sure, would be applauded by the vast majority of well-thinking Canadians.

Sincerely yours,

(*Name and address*)

INDIAN ANGEL (*rereads letter, then looks up at Ven. Kateri*) : Is there anything else to be added ?

KATERI : Yes, a little postscript : Merry Christmas, Mr. Pearson ! And peace on earth to men of good will !"

H. B.

CALENDAR TIDBITS



Sept. 10, 1950. — For the first time in History, a Roman Cardinal was made an honorary Chief of the Mohawks. To the proud Caughnawagans, befell the privilege of conferring that exclusive distinction upon their distinguished guest, His Eminence Eugene Cardinal Tisserant. Truly a red-letter day for the Iroquois Nation.

The occasion coincided with the closing celebrations of the Centenary of the Rev. Sisters of St. Ann. They have been teaching in this Mission for the past thirty-five years and were honored to welcome here their Cardinal Protector.

The Indians, led by the Holy Name Society, did their utmost to prepare a reception worthy of the occasion : the three-point program had been carefully planned and was carried out to perfection.

The ceremony opened with a Solemn Mass at which the Pontiff presided from his throne. As Secretary of the Congregation of Oriental Rites, he was particularly interested in the celebrated Iroquois mixed choir, singing in the vernacular the choicest pieces of its rich repertoire under the direction of the Rev. Dr. Alfred Bernier, S.J.

The three-century-old St. Francis Xavier Mission was introduced to His Eminence by the Very Rev. Léon Pouliot, Jesuit Provincial. His words were then interpreted in Indian by Fr. Michael Jacobs, S.J., first Iroquois priest, who, in turn, was happy to introduce the Prelate to his people. Holy Mass was concluded with the Jubilee Blessing imparted by His Eminence in the name of the Holy Father.

After Mass, the Cardinal in *magna cappa*, was led processionally to Tekakwitha School for the banquet. The long awaited event, the blessing of the new building, then took place. His Eminence spoke touching words of encouragement to the teachers and their Indian pupils.

The last number on the program, was the civic reception, held within the ancient walls of Fort St. Louis. The whole population nodded approval when the mayor, Frank Goodleaf, accompanied by his councillors and fellow tribesmen, in full regalia, vowed "unfailing loyalty to the Sovereign Pontiff, honored today in his representative."

At the rhythmic beat of the tom-tom, the "braves" and "princesses" were introduced, each in his or her favorite tribal dance, climaxed with the symbolical ritual inducting into the Mohawk Tribe, a Prince of the Church. The new honorary chief, *Kaswatetseranoron* (Cherished-light-of-the-Orient), expressed his happiness at such a display of filial affection and promised to proudly exhibit in Rome before the Holy Father, the symbols of his new distinction, his Indian headdress and the Pipe of Peace.

FATHER LALONDE.