

## The Heroine of Acadia

a single one, whose life was spared on condition that he would do the hanging, and the lady commander had to be present at the scaffold with a rope around her neck, as though she was the vilest criminal."

Lady LaTour did not long survive the destruction of her home and the death of her men. In three weeks she died, heart broken, leaving to the tender mercies of her enemy a young child, which was sent to France. Her grave is somewhere on the shores of the harbor of St. John, marked by no stone, the exact spot unknown. But her memory will never fade so long as courage and fidelity are admired by the human race, and she must always stand the foremost and the most heroic figure in Acadian history.

The believers in a nemesis will be glad to know that Charnisay did not live long to enjoy his triumph. Five years later he was drowned in the River of Port Royal, by the upsetting of a canoe. He might have been saved, but an Indian who was with him, remembering some blows that Charnisay had given him some days before, held his head under water until he died. With his death the whole fabric of his greatness vanished. All the proceedings he had obtained against LaTour were reversed, and the latter was made Governor of Acadia. Three years later LaTour married Charnisay's widow and entered into possession of all his dead rival's property. His