

PIOUS SOUVENIRS



Mrs FRANÇOIS RACINE

—♦♦— A worthy Heiress —♦♦—

THE fourth of July was a day of mourning for the parish. The Fathers and the parishioners gathered together, after solemn obsequies, around the body of the late M^{re} François Racine (Anastasie Huot), to follow her remains to her last home. The solicitude of the parishioners and the sorrow depicted on every countenance, showed how she was esteemed by all who knew her. She was carried away unexpectedly by an illness, which inspired fear but too late: she died from heart disease. Her body was laid to rest next to that of her lamented husband, and of her venerable Father-in-law M^r Michel Racine, who preceded her by a few months only.

This is the third death, within the year, in one of the oldest families of the parish. This trial is a severe, a very severe one. But it is borne by the family with a christian resignation that is unequalled by anything except our sympathy. M^{re} Racine, the worthy heiress of the property and generosity of the founder of the parish church, M^r Etienne de Lessard, did not