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afforded for supper. The humble Sister Bourgeois, who never wished to appear, sent for the same nun, who had charge of the bakery, and told her to go to the chapel, and beg the Blessed Virgin to supply the deficiency. No sooner was the prayer offered, than the bread desired was sent to the Convent. This humble and holy Mother used to go where the wheat was deposited, and there recite the Lord's prayer, and He who is ever attentive, to the supplications of His beloved children caused the quantity of the little store visibly to increase. Some of the Sisters were so struck with this extraordinary increase, began to measure the wheat, but Sister · Bourgeois, being informed of this, put a stop to this laudable curiosity, adding, "that it would be the cause of a privation, a cessation, of the bene fits of our Heavenly Father."

Pecuniary circumstances not permitting the Sister Treasurer, in 1690, to purchase even a *lushel* of wheat, so great was the expense compared to the means of the community, not-