

year, notwithstanding the many trials and adversities experienced during its infancy. It would have been only natural that the peace of the present day should obliterate the remembrance of the turmoil of the past, but undoubtedly a prophetic foresight of trials to come, led the Foundress to select as motto for the Official Seal of the General Hospital, a luminous Cross, surrounded by the words : *In hoc signo vinces*. It was truly by the Cross and through the Cross they should triumph.

On the 18th of May 1771, the General Hospital or Grey Nunnery became a prey to the flames, and naught remained of the whole building with its outhouses, &c., but a heap of ruins.

The sisters with their family of poor were again without house or home, but the courage and energy which upheld Made d'Youville on a former occasion, were not wanting now. With aid from the Seminary St. Sulpice and other Religious Communities, the sisters and their suffering flock were sheltered and supported till, like the Phoenix of old, their Home arose anew from its own ashes.

Six years more did the admirable Foundress labor with her companions, sharing their hardships and their toil, instructing them through her example and guiding them by her superior wisdom and virtue.

Rejoicing to see her Hospital once more in a flourishing condition with a sisterhood to continue and perpetuate her works, she departed this life on the 23rd of December 1771 in the 70th year of her age.

The night of her death the people in the vicinity remarked a large luminous Cross over the Establishment, which it in a manner covered, and persons passing in the streets at the time, on seeing it hastily asked each other : "What new misfortune was going to befall the poor Grey Nuns?"

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