The wooden church built in 1670, was replaced in 1712 by one of stone; the size of this latter subsequently proving inadequate, a third church was constructed in 1810.

On the 20th June, 1843, a disastrous fire swept the village,



St. Francis of Assisi's Church, Longue-Pointe,

destroying the church, the chapel of the congregation built in 1831, the convent, the school, and one hundred and forty three dwellings and outhouses, thus leaving many families shelterless. The present church rests on the foundation of that built in 1810.

Boucherville is proud to number among its sons Sir Louis Hypolite Lafontaine, the great Canadian patriot, M. Antoine Girouard, the founder of the Colloge of St. Hyacinthe, whose statue faces the church of Boucherville, and Monseigneur Alexandre

Antonin Taché, the illustrious apostle of the North West.

The old manor, whose roof had sheltered the Jesuit Marquette, was presented some years ago to the Jesuit Fathers by Mgr. Taché. For a century it had borne the name of Chateau Sabrevois, but its present proprietors, as a token of gratitude to their generous benefactor, renamed it Villa de la Broquerie.