ESTHER WHEELWRIGHT

(1864), it was reported that a grand-niece of Mother of the Infant Jesus was still living in Boston; and at this day many American visitors to Quebec claim relationship with the interesting captive.

It was a remarkable coincidence that the first time a Superioress of English birth was elected at the Ursuline Convent should have been just as English rule was being inaugurated in Canada. In 1760 Mother Wheelwright, of the Infant Jesus, was elected to that office. Although, as noticed before, she had entirely lost the use of her native tongue, still the fact that this daughter of England owed so much to French hospitality would seem to show that the two races could harmonize and blend in charity, at least in the religious world.

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On the 12th of April, 1764, this vencrable Mother renewed her vows of fifty years of religious profession. The ceremony was carried out with great solemnity and rejoicing in the old Monastery, notwithstanding the still unsettled condition of the country.

And so passed away the sixty-six years of religious life of this holy nun, years spent peacefully in the service of God. Many had been the changes during these turbulent times in the outside world. The Convent, too, had suffered many hardships during the sad wars, but peace had always reigned in the hearts of Christ's spouses. Mother Wheelright, of the Infant Jesus, had borne her share of the burdens and duties of the Monastery. Teaching the