

Anne de Beaupré, and to make a novena there, because he was sure he would be completely cured. He therefore began his pious exercises, but continual discouragement and weariness took possession of his mind on the very first day. This lasted until the fifth day which was the feast of the glorious apostles St. Peter and St. Paul.

Prostrate at the foot of St. Anne's altar, the pious soldier poured forth his sadness and his sorrows, imploring the aid of his protectress. Suddenly he was seized with a violent pain in his leg ; he felt all the blows, all the incisions made in that limb since the beginning of his illness; then, overcome by pain, he fell into a deep slumber which filled him with the sweetest consolation. The pain was gone ! He awoke and found his leg bathed in perspiration ; this passed away and he found himself as fully cured as if he had never been ill. He gave thanks to God and to St. Anne for the favor he had received through her intercession. He left his crutches and walked freely, not without exciting the admiration of those who knew of his illness and who thought it would be as difficult to cure him as to bring a dead man back to life. But both are easy for God to whom naught is impossible.

Besides the marvels I have just related, there are many others, of which I have taken notice, and which I merely mention in a general way, saying that a great many persons having devoted themselves to St. Anne, have been miraculously assisted; some have escaped death, their canoes having been capsized, or having been wrecked in their boats, and reduced to the extreme peril of their lives ; others have been cured of divers maladies against which medicine was powerless. Every one finds in this place a relief from his infirmities, provided that he appeal to St. Anne with devotion and con-