

the summer of 1881 the commemorative chapel of 1660 was restored. Rvd Father Tielen, while superintending the work, fell heavily owing to the scaffolding giving way under his feet. Three workmen were hurled to the ground and escaped death by a miracle. Father Tielen's foot was dislocated, injured and twisted to such an extent that he was unable to get out of his chair for six months and suffered horrible torture. The physician's care could not arrest the evil. A novena to St. Anne was begun and a high mass was chanted in her honor. As to the good Father he ingeniously said to his holy patroness: « I have preached that you cure everybody. Take good care of me, for my reputation and yours are at stake. » During the novena the dislocated bone was returned to its place. Unfortunately a purulent sore broke out which called for painful but unsuccessful treatment. A second novena was made. Then the sick man, full of confidence, exclaimed: « O St. Anne, you can cure me; therefore show your power. » Oh wonder! the sore that was naturally incurable, was cured at the end of the novena.

An eye-witness of the marvels worked in the shrine, he was anxious to make it known and to make St. Anne beloved. To the simple faithful he represented her as a mother, great and kind; to the priests as the safeguard and preserver of the faith in Canada. He urged the latter to organize pilgrimages and to establish the Confraternity of St. Anne. He himself constantly had recourse to his patroness and preferably through Mary, saying that the Virgin leads her children to her mother. He hesitated not to admit that it rarely happened that his prayers did not meet with entire success. Many infirm persons came to ask for « the old Father who has more power than the others. » On his part, he would reply that all the Fathers have the same power and everything depends on St Anne. He had great confidence in the Saint's relics; he willingly took them to the sick and more than one owes a miraculous cure to them. He was the man of Providence who received the great Relic from St. Anne's arm brought from Rome by Monsignor Marquis, apostolic prothonotary. He expressed his joy therefore in the following terms to His Eminence Cardinal Taschereau on the 26<sup>th</sup> July 1892.