

days. That actually happened, for, on the third day, which was the last of his novena, while at the mass that was being said for him, in the chapel of the Reverend Jesuit Fathers in Quebec, he again felt a sharp pain in both eyes as from a stab with an awl, and some drops of water fell from his eyes. Then he saw the sacred Host held up in the hands of the priest. He was cured. Since then his sight has always been excellent.

VI.—A soldier of the Carignan regiment, aged 22, called JEAN PRADES, a native of France, entered the Hotel-Dieu hospital, in Quebec, on the 29th June 1667. He was attacked by two mortal diseases. For six months he had completely lost the use of one leg which was paralyzed to such an extent that he did not feel blows or the incisions the doctor had made in it at various times. Moreover, he had an abscess in his stomach producing a hiccough which presaged speedy and certain death.

One night, he was in a strange and unaccountable state of mind. He seemed to hear a voice telling him that he would please God and recover his health, if he would promise to consecrate the remainder of his life to the service of the hospital. Transported with joy, he consented and stated that he would soon be cured.

Nevertheless, the most alarming symptoms set in, and his death seemed imminent. Extreme Unction was administered to him. But, contrary to all previsions, an improvement suddenly manifested itself, and before long, all trace of the disease in the stomach had disappeared. The patient was however confined to his bed, for his leg was completely paralyzed and the physician declared that, unless a fresh miracle happened, he would be unable to walk.

Far from diminishing his confidence, this declaration made him resolve to get himself to Ste