



Sister Catherine Boehler

On January 25, 1898, Sister M. Catherine, formerly Donata Boehler, died of pneumonia at SS. Peter and Paul's mission house, So. Chicago, Illinois, in the forty-first year of her age and the fifteenth of her religious life. Before she was confined to bed by this malady she made known to the sisters that she had foreboding that she would not recover, therefore she made all necessary preparations for her successor in the household affairs, of which she had charge and prepared her soul for the journey. It was indeed fortunate for her that she had made timely provisions as the sickness in reality did prove fatal. Her remains were interred in St. Mary's cemetery, Chicago. Sister Catherine was a full sister of Sister Lidwina Boehler.

On account of the deep snow, which had drifted very high in many places, the roads outside the city limits were not passable by carriages, which condition was not known before the funeral started out. When within a few miles from their destination some of the mourners were obliged to finish the route in sleighs, which were procured from nearby families, while others returned in their hacks to their homes. The hearse also shared the fate of the former, and the coffin had to be placed under cover on a cutter; thus the cemetery was reached without further difficulty.