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On July 28, 1897, Sister M. Lucilla, formerly Elizabeth Rabideaux of Cloquet, Minnesota, a cousin of Sister Cordula Neveaux, died in the convent at Joliet, after a short but useful career in the twenty-first year of her age and the fifth of her religious life.

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That God has blessed us is evident from the fact that since the Indian schools have been in charge of the Sisters some of the best girls who were here in the Institute at Bayfield had been called to the religious state of life and joined the community at Joliet. One of these, Sister Lucilla, as we have already recorded, has gone to her eternal reward having been a faithful religious. She was the offspring of exemplary parents, of who Reverend John Gafron, O.F.M. the great Indian missionary has said that they, in whose veins Rabideaux blood flows, must of necessity be good and virtuous. The same is applicable to others of that race who entered the sisterhood.