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On May 27, 1915, Sister M. Bertranda, formerly Clara Belda, of St. Augustine's Parish, Chicago, died of tuberculosis at the Motherhouse in the 24th year of her age and the fourth of her religious life. Sister Bertranda possessed an amiable disposition and a tractable character. She was very successful as a primary teacher and a mutual affection existed between her and her little charges; hence she often expressed regret at no longer being able to go to the schoolroom. She was employed in teaching only two and one-half years. While returning from a visit to her aged mother in Chicago, she was overtaken by a hemorrhage. This attack was the first noticeable symptom of the disease to which she finally succumbed. She accepted her illness with resignation to God's Holy Will and edified her companion Sisters by her patient suffering.