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Sister Assumption Klipfel

The death of Sister M. Assumption, formerly Mary Klipfel of New Hamburg, Missouri, died at the missionhouse in Streator, Illinois, on June 13 after an illness of only five days. She was in the forty-fourth year of her age and the twenty-ninth of religious life.

Sister Assumption and her younger sister, Sister Fidelis, had entered the convent when they were quite young, the former in her fifteenth, the latter in her thirteenth year. Of Sister Mary it can be said that she was one of those fortunate characters who try to accommodate themselves to the various occurrences in the pathway of human life, be they favorable or unfavorable. A true daughter of our common Father, St. Francis, she was known to be the same humble and dutiful religious when presiding over the Sisters, as she was when among them in the state of a simple religious. Gratitude was also one of her characteristic qualities. She dearly loved the convent home at Joliet and the older Sisters, especially those to whom she had been in any way indebted and she never failed to pay them her respects each year on returning to the Motherhouse. Her unexpected death was mourned by all who knew her but most by Sister Fidelis, to whom she had so many years acted the part of a mother by council and good example. Her remains were brought to Joliet and interred in St. John the Baptist's cemetery.