

Sister Mary Charles McIver died at Bethany Convent, St. Paul, Minnesota, on July 26, 1966, in the sixty-seventh year of her religious life. In 1899, while still young, she left her home in Kinkora, Prince Edward Island, and took the then long journey to St. Paul. Like many another valiant soul from the same island, once she had put her hand to the plow, she had never a thought of looking back to the distant joys she had left behind.

While still a novice, Sister resided at St. Agatha's Conservatory and taught for two years at St. John's School. From 1902 to 1920 she lived at St. Joseph's Hospital, first as a nurse in training, then as a floor supervisor, and after 1915 as superintendent of nurses. For the next nineteen years, she served as a superintendent of the following hospitals: St. Michael's, Grand Forks, 1920-1926; two hospitals in the Western Province, namely, Our Lady of Lourdes, Pasco, Washington, 1926-1929 and 1935-1936, and St. Mary's, Tucson, Arizona, 1929-1935, and finally St. John's, Fargo, 1936-1939.

For the next seventeen years, Sister resided at the College of St. Catherine, enjoying the first year of this period as a sabbatical leave mixed with a fair degree of gratuitous professional help as a prelude to sixteen years of generous labor as Head of the Health Service. In 1956, Sister retired to Bethany.

As a nurse, Sister was kind, solicitous, and very understanding. As a religious, she was completely dedicated to the divine service to which at an early age she had resolutely offered herself. May she rest in peace.