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which they had just given so many proofs, all this did them great honor, and the King, to whom the Governor-General took great care to render a faithful account, seemed not less touched by it than by the happy deliverance of Quebec; an event which his Majesty nevertheless deemed sufficiently important for him to desire to transmit it to the posterity among the glorious events of his reign, having struck a medal on the occasion.¹

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In the month of March, in the following year, new deputies arrived at the capital from all the Abénaquis nations, from whom it was ascertained that up to the month of February only four of the vessels that had laid siege to Quebec had re-entered Boston. It was afterwards ascertained that some had stopped in the Gulf of St. Lawrence to cruise, and had captured several fishing-smacks; that Mr. de Manneval had been sent to England; that (Rev.) Mr. Petit was at Port Royal, and the Chevalier d'Eau at Boston, that the interpreter of this last officer, and two other Frenchmen, who accompanied him when he was sent on an embassy to Onondaga, had been burnt in three different villages; that the Ottawas and our other allies from the North and West continued the war vigorously against the Iroquois; that goods were very scarce in New England; that most of the fields were left uncultivated, and that a great many of the settlers, finding themselves without means of subsistence, had taken refuge at Boston and New York. This last was the result of the incursions of

¹ Charlevoix does not allude to the solemn rejoicings on Sunday, Nov. 7. Phipps' flag and that taken at Casco Bay were borne to the Cathedral in triumph, amid the roll of drums. A Te Deum sung by the Bishop, and a procession in which all the troops took part, carried the statue of the Blessed Virgin to four churches. A solemn festival of Our Lady of Victory was instituted, and a church in the Lower Town, already begun, dedicated under that

name. De Monseignat, N. Y. Col. Doc., ix., p. 491. De la Potherie, iii., pp. 122-3. Les Ursulines de Quebec, i., p. 474. Le Clercq, ii., p. 452. De la Colombiere, brother of the celebrated pulpit orator, preached the discourse of the day. Juchereau, Histoire de l'Hotel Dieu, p. 333. The nuns obtained permission to institute a special feast in honor of the Sacred Heart of Mary. Ib., p. 341. This medal is shown in the accompanying illustration.