



# *Le Mercien*

*La voix des Mercier d'Amérique*

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*A Nice Summer to all of you*



*Saint-Vallier de Bellechasse celebrate this year, from July 24 to 28, its 300<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The Organizing Committee send a special invitation to families' associations. For more information, please visit the following web site le site: [www.stvallierbellechasse.qc.ca](http://www.stvallierbellechasse.qc.ca).*

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<b>Annually :</b>	<b>25 \$</b>
<b>Life membership, 65 years and older :</b>	<b>250 \$</b>
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<b>Governor :</b>	<b>1 000 \$</b>

*Those amounts are in U.S. currency for U.S. residents and in euros for European residents.*

This newsletter is named after the kingdom of Mercia which existed from the 7<sup>th</sup> to the 10<sup>th</sup> centuries. It was one of the seven original kingdoms constituting England. The inhabitants of that territory must have been called Merciens (or Mercien in French).

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# The Word of the President

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*By Jean Mercier (1524), president*

## A Retrospective of our General Assembly 2012

**A**s announced at our last General Assembly, the MERCIER of the Region of Montreal held their “Sugar Party” on March 23 in St-Esprit de Montcalm. Some 55 Mercier from the regions of Lanaudière, Laurentides, Montreal and the South Shore came to sweeten their mouths at the *Toit Rouge* sugar cabin.

Thanks to the Administrative Council members, Laurent, Gilmond and Germain, who gave me a hand in the organisation of this outing. And a tremendous Thank You goes to Julienne Mercier-Brouillette who knew how to motivate the Mercier of the region to reach out and fraternize with their cousins.



In the present Newsletter, you will find the form to be filled for the payment of your annual membership fees. You may take this opportunity to recruit a brother, a sister or a relative to join AMAN. You will find all the necessary information on our website: [famillesmercier.org](http://famillesmercier.org). A little help would be appreciated.

Do not forget that the next General Assembly will be held on August 24 2013 in Nicolet at the Museum of World Religions situated at 900 boulevard Louis-Fr chette, Nicolet. It is therefore a rendez-vous.

Pleasure in meeting you,

**Jean Mercier (1524)**  
President

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## *Renewal of the Annual Membership Fees*

**T**he annual membership fees are due on June 1 of each year.

Members are invited to forward their payment of \$25 accompanied with the completed form and posted in a pre-addressed return envelope, all included in the present Newsletter. You are free to add an amount, however small it may be, to be deposited in our Development Fund.

Members who have made an advance payment for many years to come, members for life, honorary members and our Governors have no fees to pay. If

you believe that you have paid in advance, consult our address sticker on the last page of the present Newsletter.

The names and the identification numbers of the members who will have paid their dues as well as that of those who will have made an additional contribution will appear in a following Newsletter.

Thanking you in advance for your generosity.

**Beno t**, treasurer.



# Welcome to Nicolet : August 24, 2013

One of our AMAN administrators, Laurent Mercier, has kindly accepted to present a small overview of the city of Nicolet where our next 2013 General Assembly will be held. Jean (1524) had done it for Saint-Jerome two years ago while Jacques had presented the Beauce region last year. Our sincere thanks to all!

## The Toponym Nicolet was chosen in Honor of the Explorer Jean Nicolet

**J**ean Nicolet was born around 1598 in Cherbourg, Low-Normandy. On October 7 1637, he married Marguerite Couillard, the grand-daughter of Louis Hébert, the first settler of New France. She gave him one daughter only.

Jean Nicolet learned the Algonquin language while travelling the shores of the Outaouais River and the Huron and Iroquois languages while living amongst these tribes. He was a discoverer and explorer for the Company of Hundred Associates based in Three-Rivers. He discovered Lake Michigan and explored Wisconsin. In honor of his explorations, the name Nicolet was given to a river that flows into Lake Saint-Pierre. The city of Nicolet is situated near the mouth of the river.

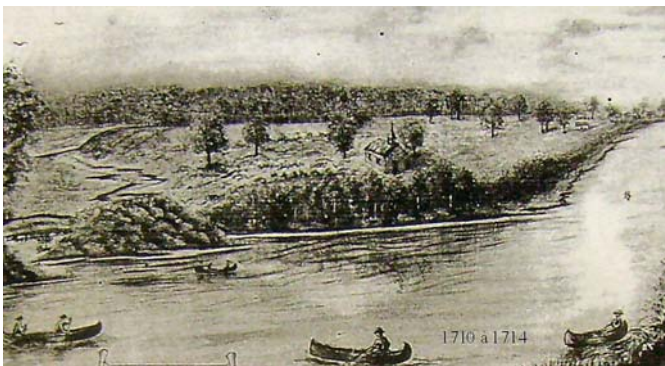
Through the 1634 Relations of the Jesuits (their Journal), we know that Jean Nicolet traveled with Father Brébeuf for the development of the Missions in the Huron territories and for the exploration of the Ontario peninsula.

Between 1635 and 1642, Jean Nicolet serves as interpreter in Three-Rivers. In 1642, he was caught in a vicious storm in the bay of Sillery on the Saint-Lawrence River. He drowned with his companions.

In 1634, the Sieur de Lavolette, founder of Three-Rivers, went to examine the possibility of opening a colony of settlers on the shores of the Nicolet River. But it is only in 1663 that the idea of building a Fort at the mouth of the River was taken up again.

## The First Family of Nicolet

The marriage of Élie Prévost dit Lavolette to Marie Pothier was celebrated in Nicolet on November 24 1670.



The first Chapel was probably built between 1710-1714. It was built in logs with a thatch roof.

There were 8 benches of 4 places each with an aisle in the center. These benches were made of wooden beams squared out with the help of axes.

It is in this Chapel that was celebrated on June 14 1714 the marriage of Michel Jutras to Ursule Pinard. The first burial is recorded on November 24 1718.

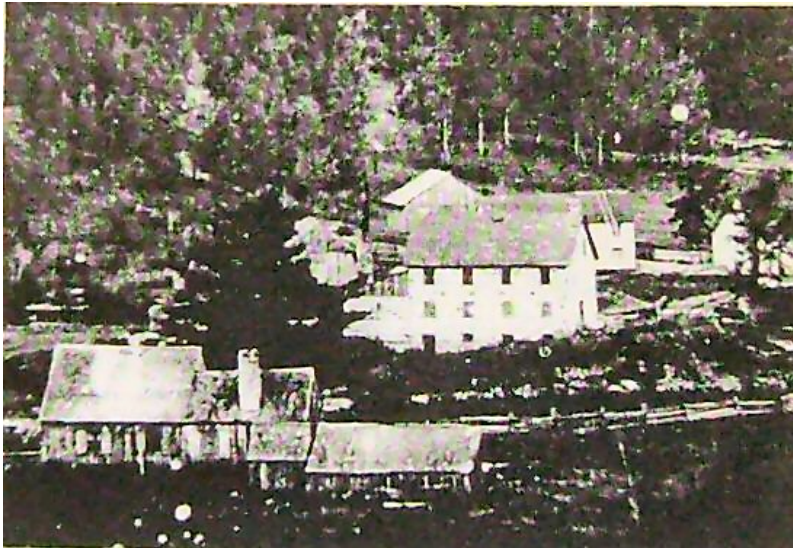


In 1735, the revenues of the Chapel were reported to be 30 Francs, consisting in the skins of martens or the skins of other wild animals.

The second Church, built on the same site as the first Chapel, was erected in the year 1740. It was built in stone.

Source : Lucien Florent  
Société d'histoire de Nicolet





### The Bellevue Mill (above)

The 'Seigneur' Pierre-Michel Cressé judged it necessary to answer the needs of the new settlers by putting a mill at their disposal. The mill was situated on the actual site in the village of Sainte-Monique. It was given the name of Bellevue Mill because of the beauty of the landscape seen from the coast.

A road was opened and verbalized on October 15 1810. This mill served as a sawmill. The new settlers could gather their wood in the surrounding areas to build their homes and other dependencies. It was

also considered as a windmill taking its power from the winds coming from the Saint-Lawrence River. One could also find flourmills for the grinding of wheat, oats, rye and barley for human consumption and animal feed. The Suroist Mill also carded sheep wool.

### Photo of the second bridge



Descendant of a third generation of New-France settlers, Pierre-Michel Cressé was the first 'Seigneur' to be established in Nicolet. He was baptised on September 20 1758. He married Marie Fafard-Laframboise on January 2 1792 and was buried on October 14 1819 in Nicolet.

The photo below shows The Suroist Mill built in 1764 and destroyed in 1775. It was rebuilt in 1784 and built again in 1799 by Pierre-Michel Cressé.

### The Suroist Mill (Below)

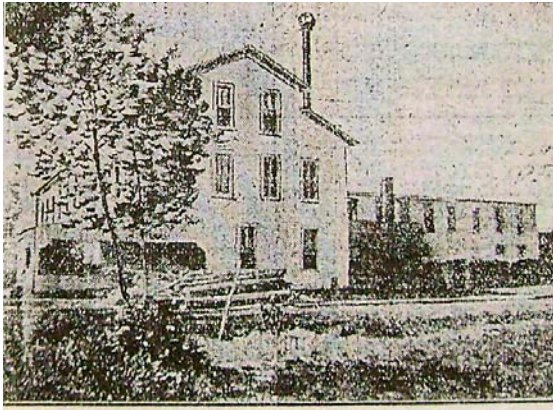


Built in 1845, the first wooden bridge on the Nicolet River crumbled. It was rebuilt and carried away by the waters in 1880; rebuilt and again carried away by the thawing waters of the Nicolet River in 1886.

A second steel bridge was built in 1893. It was destroyed by the spring waters of 1913.

The third bridge built in 1915 was opened to traffic in 1917.

Source : Lucien Florent  
Société d'histoire de Nicolet



## The Fire of June 21 1906

The center of the town of Nicolet was destroyed by fire on June 21 1906. The new Church which was not yet completed and the old cathedral were destroyed. The Convent of the Sisters of the Assumption including the Chapel of the Golden Jubilee was also burned down. It was the greatest disaster that ever happened in Nicolet.

Archives Jean Dozois



## The Fire of March 20 1955

On the morning of March 21 1955, all the old quarters of the centre-town of Nicolet had been turned into ashes. The buildings had been built very close to each other. Dozens of homes and businesses were burned down. On the two photos above, one can ponder on the sad souvenirs that remain engraved in the memories of the people.



## The Fire of December 31 1955

The 'Hôtel-Dieu' Hospital of Nicolet was established on August 18 1886 by four nuns of the community of the Sisters of Charity of Mother d'Youville. In 1893, that same community sent nuns to open a hospital in Alberta. In 1895, they purchased a farm which had been the property of Francis McCaffrey. In 1903, the 'Hôtel-Dieu' had to open two new wings to serve the sick and the elderly. On December 31 1955, the people of Nicolet were again touched by another disaster: a fire razed the 'Hôtel-Dieu'.

Source : Lucien Florent  
Société d'histoire de Nicolet





## The Fourth Cathedral of Nicolet

After the fire of June 21 1906 which burnt down the third cathedral, a fourth one was built on the same grounds as the previous one. This cathedral was opened for service in 1910. It served the collectivity until the tragic landslide that occurred in the morning of November 12 1955. The landslide started by a deaf sound. Then the great pine trees and the electrical wires could be seen falling in the river. In a few minutes everything had crumbled. Three people died. There remained a 12 meter deep, 120 meter wide and a 250 meter long crater. The waters infiltrating under the ground had caused this catastrophe.

Source : Lucien Florent  
Société d'histoire de Nicolet

## The Fifth Cathedral of Nicolet

The construction of the fifth cathedral started in 1961 and lasted two years. The nave of the cathedral forms an immense vessel of 1100 places surrounding the main altar. The glass structure of the façade has a dimension of 165 feet long by 70 feet tall. The stained-glass window is the masterpiece of Brother Éric, monk of the Community of Taizé in France.



The portraits of the first four Bishops of the Diocese of Nicolet are placed on pillars in the cathedral. They are the work of **Monique Mercier**, an internationally renowned artist. The main altar is in black granite. The church organ, built by the Casavant brothers of Saint-Hyacinthe was first installed in the fourth cathedral in 1909. After the landslide of 1955, it was dismantled, put into storage and then reinstalled in the new cathedral by Odilon Jacques in 1963.

*The Cathedral of Nicolet was built on a concession left by testament to the parishioners of Nicolet by Curé Brassard in 1797. On September 15 1955, for the amount of one dollar (\$1.00), the Episcopal Corporation bought this land of 9 arpents which had become the property of the Seminary. The cathedral was opened On March 24 1963 and blessed and consecrated on June 23 1963 by Bishop Albertus Martin.*

Source : Lucien Florent  
Société d'histoire de Nicolet



## Montfort Hotel

The present Montfort Hotel was previously the Monastery of the Montfortain Fathers.

The Montfortains built it in 1925 on a land of many arpents in size. They had animals and cultivated the land for their own subsistence.

The property was sold on March 11 2011. During our stay in Nicolet, we were able to visit the premises. Memories of the Monfortain era have been preserved.

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## The Nicolet School of Police

The photo on the right is a picture of the Seminary of Nicolet built by Bishop Plessis in 1803. Additions were made to the structure in 1807, 1813 and 1903. It had been in the service of the Diocese for over 165 years.

In 1968, the seminary was sold to the Police Institute of Quebec. In 2000 its name became The National Police School of Quebec. Many millions of dollars were invested by the Government of Quebec for its renovation.

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## The Museum of World Religions

During our visit of Nicolet, we were able to see archives with documents going back to more than two hundred years. Open to the public in 1991, these archives can be found in a building facing the present cathedral.

The collections of The Museum of World Religions offer more than 120,000 articles which makes it the biggest collection of pious objects in Canada.

In this museum can be found the libraries of the Seminary and of the Nuns of the Assumption. It contains an incredible amount of valuable objects.

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## The Weavers of Nicolet



The pride of these women of Nicolet is illustrated in the artifacts they have made with their own hands. With Jean, president of AMAN (as seen in the photo) they present their various works. With their weaving looms, they can make cotton and woolen sheets, hand towels, socks, tuques, etc.

### The Bell Steeple of the Precious Blood Monastery



At the Museum of World Religions there is much to discover for one interested in History. The photos below give a replica of the past life of the Nicoletains.

Make sure you have good batteries in your camera.

### Ancestral Objects



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# 350<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Arrival of “Les Filles du Roy”

## Marie Mercier, Fille du Roy

The first contingent of 'Les Filles du Roy' arrived in 1663, part of an immigration project that lasted for over a period of 10 years. They were more than 800 to come to establish themselves in New France to build a family. The gene pool of French Canadians comes mainly from these courageous women. They can be considered as 'The Mothers of the Nation'. They arrive in a particular historical context which is interesting to know.



Courtesy of : Société d'histoire des Filles du Roy

In spite of the efforts deployed by Samuel de Champlain to increase the population of New France, more than 50 years after the foundation of Quebec, the colony barely numbers 3000 inhabitants. There are 16 men for one woman! The economy of the colony rests upon the 'coureurs des bois', the fur-traders who must assure the supply of furs by trading with the Amerindians. The rare settler families must overcome the tremendous obstacles of their new environment: cold, famine, mosquitoes, continuous threats of the Iroquois...

In 1663, the territorial monopoly given to the fur trading companies is withdrawn. The new King, Louis XIV, decides to make of Canada a colony under his administration. The Royal Government favours the increase of the population by the means of immigration and new natal policies. The territory will be protected by the arrival of the Carignan-Salières Regiment and the Manorial Regime (Régime seigneurial) will be improved for a better distribution of land. It is within this policy of increasing the colony's population that the 'Filles du Roy' arrive.

Most of them were orphans which came mainly from the Parisian region. Good physical constitutions to overcome the rough living conditions of the new world and living a decent life are the essential conditions to be chosen by the authorities. The king gave them a small dowry and a trousseau. Between 1663 and 1773, 11 arrivals of these women to be married helped to re-establish the demographic equilibrium of the colony. In 10 years, the population of New France almost tripled. The survival of the Colony is assured.

Marie MERCIER arrives in Quebec in July 1671. She is about 14 years old. She is the daughter of Nicolas and Marie Bourot of Ile-de-France. She disposes of a dowry of 350 pounds of which 50 pounds come from the King. She is married less than three months later, in Quebec, to the soldier Jean Chevaudier dit Lépine. Her mission of contributing to increase the population of New France was a success as at the moment of her death at the age of 30 only, in the parish of Champlain, she was already the mother of 8 children. On the average, the 'Filles du Roy' will have given birth to 9.1 children.

There would have been only one MERCIER who married a 'Fille du Roy'. He is Antoine MERCIER who married Françoise Aubry on September 22 1673, only 22 days after her arrival in New France. He died in April 1675. The couple who lived in Bellechasse had three children whom we were unable to retrace. We presume that they died at an early age. Jacqueline will bear 7 more children in a second marriage to Vincent Chatigny of Ile Percée.

It goes without saying that it is appropriate to celebrate the arrival in New France of these valiant women. More than 60 different activities organised by the Société d'histoire des Filles du Roy will be held throughout the Province of Quebec and in France during the year 2013. To consult the calendar of activities visit:

[www.lesfillesduroy-quebec.org](http://www.lesfillesduroy-quebec.org)

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**Sources:** La Société des Filles du Roy, *Les filles du Roy et leurs époux*, Québec 2011.

Website : [www.migrations.fr](http://www.migrations.fr)

P.S. The author has published a Crossword Puzzle 'Je suis une Fille du Roy' in Le Mercien, Vol.24, No.4, Winter 2009.



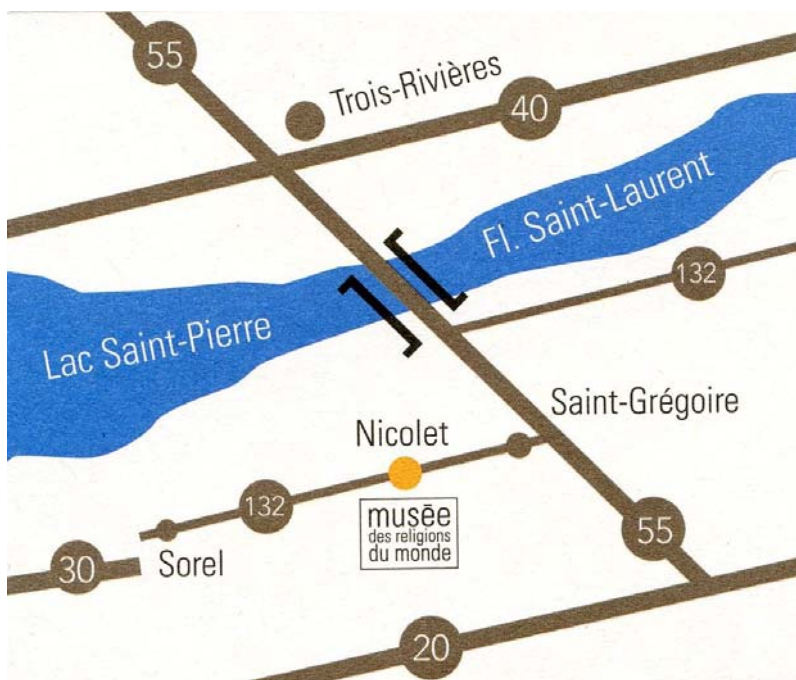
# Annual General Assembly of the Association of the Merciers of North America

## Program of the Activities for the day: August 24, 2013

### (At the Museum of World Religions, Nicolet)

- 9 to 10 a.m.:** Reception, inscription. Greeting of the members. Genealogical research and exchange of data;
- 10 to 11 a.m.:** General Assembly. (The order of the day will appear on our next newsletter);
- 11 to 11:45 a.m.:** Guided visit of the Cathedral of Nicolet with Monique Mercier. This church is particularly remarkable for its vastness and interior simplicity. "No rood-loft, no columns. An immense, open and clear space where everyone can see and hear." Inside the Cathedral can be seen the artifacts of various Nicoletain artists.
- Noon to 1:30 p.m.:** Return to the Museum of World Religions for Lunch.
- 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.:** Visit of the "Literary" Park next to the Museum of World Religions.
- 3:30 to 4 p.m.:** A friendship "wine toast" and the draw of a prize for members who are present and other draws.
- Cost: \$55 per person, including complete lunch, guided tours and the friendship wine-toast.

**How to reach the Museum of World Religions, 900 boul. Louis-Fr chet, Nicolet J3T 1V5. See the map below.**





# Nathalie Mercier, A True Passionate

'A True Passionate', such is the headline of an article published in the Journal de Montréal on March 5 of this year and signed by Patrick Campeau. The article relates the road traveled by this unconditional lover of nature, Nathalie Mercier, 28 years of age.

"Nathalie Mercier, 28 years old, is interested since her early youth to all that touches nature from near or from far.

This young lady, originally from Montmagny, studied in Dégelis in the field of Forest Management and Fauna Protection. She excelled to the point of becoming the recipient of the 'Chapeau les filles' award of the Lower Saint-Lawrence Region. This particular recognition is awarded to encourage women who wish to venture into a career considered to be non-traditional.

Her first practical training took place in the Seigneurie of Triton (Mauricie region). Her second training program was with the Cap Tourmente Wildlife National Reserve. She so loved her experience with her migratory 'bird friends' that she decided to become a guide. Her work consisted in preparing the caches, installing various decoys and callers, herself imitating the call of these great travellers. She does the utmost to ensure that her guests profit to the maximum of their hunting trip, etc.

After two successful seasons, she had to leave the work she greatly loved to care for a relative diagnosed with cancer. After the death of that person, she wished to change environment again. Thus, she accepted a posting as coordinator of the activities at Camp Myrica in the Réserve Faunique des Laurentides. Starting in 2008 to the end of 2011, from the months of May to September, she would make sure that the services offered to the guests of Camp Myrica were of the best quality. She would, among other things, prepare and refresh the cabins, care for the boats, the various foot walks etc.



*Nathalie Mercier is a good example of determination that could inspire a lot of people who want to go in an line of work that are not traditional and that are usually done by men. PHOTO : COURTESY*

When the fishing season was finished, she would rush to Chicotte-la-Mer on Anticosti Island where she worked as hostess for SÉPAQ-Anticosti during the hunting season. This year (2012) she centered all her efforts on Anticosti Island where she worked from June to December.

This young woman believes that she has all the knowledge and experience necessary to become a guide for deer hunters. However her preference is still to serve as hostess for the guests.

Nathalie Mercier is a good example of a determined person who could inspire a number of people interested in venturing into non-traditional fields of work normally reserved for men.

## Thanks to the Members who have Renewed their Annual Contribution

407 **Jacqueline Moreau**, 419 **Armandine Mercier**, 704 **Josette Mercier**, 1321 **Huguette Desfossés**,  
1428 **Roger Mercier**, 1529 **Claude Jacques**, **Napoleon Mercier**, 1568 **Pascal Mercier**

## Welcome to New Members

1592 **Diane Slater**, St-Elzéar, QC  
1593 **Johanny Mercier**, St-Romuald, QC  
1594 **Danielle Henri Allard**, St-Esprit-de-Montcalm, QC  
1595, **Madeleine Mercier**, Montréal-Nord. QC

## A New Life Member

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06 **Carl D. Mercier**, Marinette, WI, USA

# Honoré Mercier : Love Letters to Léopoldine

**T**he authors Georges Aubin and Renée Blanchet have published at the Trois-Pistoles 2013 editing company the Love Letters of **Honoré MERCIER**, prime minister of Quebec from 1887 to 1891. «The young Honoré Mercier (1840-1894), a law student, lived his first love with Léopoldine Boivin, daughter of a Saint-Hyacinthe merchant. In the letters of Mercier, one can breathe an air of youth, sincerity and eternal love. Mercier shows himself to be the protector and guardian of an ephemeral treasure for Léopoldine dies shortly after their marriage. This love was however concretized by the birth of Éliza Mercier, the couple's only child who in the future will marry Lomer Gouin», who later became, like his father-in-law, prime minister of Quebec.

Below, we publish one of the letters of Honoré to his beloved. Exceptionally, this letter makes some reference to politics. We are on the eve of the Conferences of Charlottetown and Quebec which will lead eventually to the Canadian Confederation of 1867. Mercier is against the Confederation project which, according to him, goes against the interests of the French-Canadians. This is the reason why he considers Georges-Étienne Cartier, one of the Fathers of Confederation, to be a traitor towards his nation. A very religious person, confronted with the support of the catholic clergy towards this political project, Mercier will later on rally himself to the idea. However, once Prime Minister of Quebec, he will fight for more provincial autonomy within the limits of the Canadian Confederation Pact.



Here is the letter written in Montreal in June 1864:

*My all-beautiful,*

*I have arrived yesterday morning from Quebec. I wanted to write to you before leaving but I did not have one single moment to myself.*

*I hope you are well; as for me, I came back a little tired.*

*My love, I don't have the habit of talking to you about politics, but I must open my heart to you. Cartier has betrayed us; he has sold us. I am demoralised. My love, I am indecisive; I don't know if I shouldn't break my pen and renounce this misleading and egoistical political arena.*

*Sincerity and heart exists only in you; and I have no attachments now but for you.*

*Léopoldine, pray for your Enri; if you weren't there, I would become a Jesuit. You hold me back just like steel holds on to a*

*magnet. Beautiful angel, how happy I am to have you, to believe in your love!*

*Tell me the day you will leave for Kinsey, in time I have the intention of going to Saint-Hyacinthe.*

*Sorry if I don't write you at a greater length, I am extraordinarily pressed by time.*

*My greetings and kisses to everyone, but to St-Julien and Julie in particular.*

*Your faithful Enri*

*P.-S. I hope to write you tomorrow.*

Source: Letter taken from pages 112 and 113 of the book 'Dis-moi que tu m'aimes.'

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# Neurologies

## Our deepest condolences to the families

- † **Aline Morency Mercier** of Sherbrooke, died on January 12, 2013 at the age of 72. She was the wife of Claude Mercier and the daughter Adjutor Morency and Donalda Vallée.
- † **Andrée Larose** of Quebec, died on January 2, 2013 at the age of 61. She was the wife of the late Yvon Laviolette and later the wife of Marcel Mercier. She was the daughter of Jean-Louis Larose and Colette Vaillancourt.
- † **André Mercier** of Quebec, died on 15 January 2013 at the age of 85. He was the husband of Louise Bolduc and the son of Emile Mercier and Cecile McLean.
- † **Annette Mercier Carter** of Rouyn-Noranda, died December 23, 2012 at the age of 92. She was married to Paul Carter.
- † **Beatrice Mercier** of Montreal, died on January 24, 2013 at the age of 86. She was the wife of Andrew Vallieres.
- † **Bernard Lacroix** of Quebec, died 18 February 2013 at the age of 88. He was the husband of Beatrice Mercier. Bernard was secretary of AMAN and, as Beatrice, the Board of Directors of AMAN.
- † **Benoit Mercier** of Bécancour, died January 25 at the age of 90 years. He was the husband of Yvette Schelling.
- † **Cécile Mercier** (Sister Cecile Mercier, Missionary Sister of Notre-Dame of Africa) of Quebec, died February 4, 2013 at the age of 91. She was the daughter of François Mercier and Anna Vachon.
- † **Claude Mercier** of Quebec, died 10 March 2013 at the age of 89. He was the husband of Françoise Roy.
- † **Émilienne Mercier** of Grande-Rivière, died 24 February 2013 at the age of 82. She was the wife of Donat Beaudin and daughter Eusebius Mercier and Rose Anna Godin.
- † **Fleurette Mercier** of Longueuil, died on January 14, 2013 at the age of 81. She was the wife of Laurel Limoges.
- † **France Mercier** of Rouyn-Noranda, died December 28, 2012 at the age of 42. She was the daughter of Roger and Nicole Mercier from Mazerolle.
- † **Françoise Mercier** born Laplante of Montreal, died February 14, 2013 at the age of 89. She was the wife of Guy Mercier.
- † **Gabrielle Mercier** of Quebec, died on March 9, 2013 at the age of 77. She was the wife of Rosario Leclerc and the daughter of Henri Mercier and Florida Simard.
- † **Georges Mercier** of Saint-Jean-sur-Richelieu, died on January 11, 2013 at the age of 87. He was the husband of Yvonne Cleroux.
- † In the Ottawa region, **Gérard Quévillon**, died on February 4, 2013 at the age of 78. He was the husband of Lucienne Mercier and the son of Eugène and Jeanne Quévillon.
- † **Germaine Mercier Lajoie** of Three Rivers, died on January 20, 2013 at the age of 101. She was the wife of Roland Lajoie.
- † **Henriette Gloria Mercier Labonté** of Morinville (Alberta), died on January 2, 2013 at the age of 71. She was the wife of Marcel Labonté.
- † **Irène Mercier Roy** of Montreal, died March 4, 2013 at the age of 101. She was the wife of Cyril Roy.
- † **Isabelle Mercier born Isabelle Martin** born in Rouyn-Noranda, died January 4, 2013 at the age of 57 years. She was the wife of Marcel Martin and daughter of Oscar Mercier and Roberta Lavoie.
- † **Jean-Paul Beuregard** died at Sacred Heart Hospital March 5, 2013 at the age of 86. He was the son of Arsène



Beaugard and Alexandrine Dulude and husband first wedding of Yolande Mercier and his second wife Léonie Seneschal.

† **Lauriana Demers Mercier** of Plessisville, died on December 31, 2013 at the age of 77. She was the wife of Benoit Mercier.

† **Laurienne Jacques Mercier** Thetford Mines, died January 10, 2013 at the age of 84. She was the wife of Lucien Mercier first marriage and the second marriage of Robert Smith.

† **Léona Mercier Vallée** Sherbrooke, died April 19, 2013 at the age of 97 years. She was the wife of Peter Valley, the daughter of Joseph Mercier and Leonie Won, the granddaughter of Octave Mercier and sister of François Nicolet (member 63).

† **Louise-Alice Laurin-Mercier** of Rawdon, died January 22, 2013 at the age of 97. She was the wife of Rosaire Laurin.

† **Mariette Mercier** from Salaberry-de-Valleyfield died on February 1, 2013 at the age of 89. She was the wife of Hermel Bouchard and sister Robert Mercier, founder of the genealogical database of AMAN.

† **Michel Mercier** from Les Méchins, died on December 26, 2013 at the age of 73. He was married in first to

Murielle Boutin and in his second wedding to Laurette Gendron.

† **Michelle Desmarais** of Gatineau, died March 7, 2013 at the age of 57. She was the daughter of Roland Desmarais and Eva Mercier member of AMAN.

† **Monique Bélanger born Mercier** from St. Charles de Bellechasse, died February 15, 2013 at the age of 79. She was the wife of Aimé Bélanger daughter of Eugène Mercier and Marie-Marguerite Picard.

† **Noella Mercier** from Lachine, died 24 February 2013 at the age of 75 years. She was the wife of Lucien Gauthier.

† **Normand Mercier** of St-Jean-sur-Richelieu, died March 6 at the age of 81. He was the husband of Gertrude Benoit.

† **Pierre Mercier** of Quebec, died on December 22, 2012 at the age of 73. He was the husband of Lucille Boivin and son René and Georgette Mercier Guay.

† **Reginald Mercier** from Windsor, died February 2, 2013 at the age of 76 years. He was the son of Albert and Regina Mercier Mercier.

† **Rita Boiteau** of L'Ancienne Lorette, died March 8, 2013 at the age of 86. She was the wife of Joseph-Aime Bélanger first marriage and Jean-Marcel Mercier in second wedding.

† **Rita Normand Langlois-Mercier** of Montmagny, died on February 10, 2013 at the age of 9. She was the first wife of André Langlois and his second marriage, the wife of Joseph Mercier.

† **Rolande Mercier** died February 27, 2013 at the age of 66. She was the wife of Romuald (Rod) Mercier and the daughter of Paul Dufour and Clorinda Schnobb.

† **Romeo Mercier Chandler**, died December 16, 2012 at the age of 85 years. He was the husband of Teresa Lelièvre.

† **Rose-Alma Décoste Mercier** of Jonquière, died January 23, 2013 at the age of 82. She was the wife of Yves Mercier and daughter Décoste Alexandre and Marie-Aimee Leblanc.


† **Suzanne Mercier Morin** of Levis, died March 14, 2013 at the age of 76. She was the wife of Jean-Paul Morin.

† **Lelievre Theresa of Chandler**, died December 26, 2012 at the age of 85. She was the wife of Romeo Mercier.

† **Yvon Mercier** of Tourville (L'Islet), died 14 February 2013 at the age of 58. He was the son of Leonard and Germaine Mercier Chassé.



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