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good morning--I have an interesting story to share with you. I am doing research with a friend on Lourdes grottos in Louisiana and we have been traveling and taking pictures of them and also of the statues of Our Lady of Lourdes and of Bernadette. We arrived at Grand Coteau a few months ago to photograph the grotto there. The statue of Bernadette is in an elevated place on the grotto. Wanting to get a close up picture of her I climbed on the Grotto a little ways and took a picture. My friend who is doing this research is also looking for dates that the grottos were constructed. When we arrived at home I was looking at the picture of Bernadette and zoomed in to see if there was perhaps a date on the statue and to my surprise the statue rests on the grave marker of Caliste Marks--we can make some of the wording--it is just amazing--I am doing ancestry work off and on on my family--I certainly am not at the point that you are with your geneology, but I would love to find the gravemarker of my great great grandfather. The grave marker or headstone reads in French

Ici repose CALISTE MARKS 22 May 1835 1860

There are a few other words(the month and day of his death) that I cannot read-but what I can read is what I included above. Hope you find this of interest--Barbara Roth