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In October, the School of Mines of Ouro Preto commemorates its 137th anniversary. In June of this year, I traveled abroad and during the trip, I visited the Limoges Region of France in order to see the land in which Claude-Henri Gorceix was born. It was he who in 1876 founded the School of Mines of Ouro Preto.

During this visit, I saw two places that preserve the memory of this founder. The first was Saint Denis de Mur, where he was born. It has a square named after him and a memorial plaque saying that he was the found of the School.

The second was Bujaleuf, where the political carrier of Gorceix is on display. There, for three terms, he was elected mayor. This display united the documents of the life of Gorceix and is called: "Espace C. H. Gorceix".

A study by Guy Royer (see Notes) shows his political carrier that provoked rage from his competitors who gave him the name of Radical (No one among us has earned money in the service of a foreign government, and we are not here to beg your votes, saying we are radical) But later, in other elections, Gorceix presented himself as a democratic Republican, which was a democratic tendency toward the radical left being more moderate.

The space created in Bujaleuf is connected with the Universidade de Limoges, which has various functions (see Notes), so that the memory of Gorceix will be preserved indefinitely.

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