

citizens. Canon Duhamel, the curate of the cathedral, was at the head of this pious caravan.

The *Palestrina Union* and the *St. Jean-Baptiste Society of St. Saviour, Quebec*, also made their annual pilgrimage on that day. The two societies combined formed a group of about 300 pilgrims.

So long as the parishioners of *L'Islet* have as their pastor that zealous promoter of devotion to St. Anne, Rvd Charles Bacon, they will be faithful in journeying to Beaupré every year. On Monday the 16th, the steamer *l'Etoile* brought them here once more to the number of nearly 700. Almost at the same time came the parishioners of *St. Raymond* to the number of 750 under the charge of their pastor Rvd J. E. Roy.

The 17th July was remarkable for the great pilgrimage of *French Canadians from New England*. They numbered 2600. We give below a full account of this gigantic pilgrimage.

On Monday the 18th, the parish of *Sacred Heart, Montreal*, sent to the shrine 700 devout servants of the patroness of Canadians. Rvd E. Brien, their vicar, was at their head.

On the same day the parishioners of *St. Thomas, Montmagny*, to the number of nearly 400, arrived by the steamer *Ste-Croix*. Their fine band contributed not a little to enhance the splendor of the day's ceremonies.

The latter had not yet left the shrine when the bells were already greeting the arrival of two other pilgrimages which were to remain at Beaupré until the following day, that of *St. Jean Deschailions* with 450 pilgrims, and that of *Nicolet* under the charge of Rvd L. H. Lavallée, curate of the cathedral, and under the distinguished patronage of Mgr J. S. H. Brunault, bishop of Tubuna and coadjutor of the Bishop of Nicolet. A good many priests accompanied the pilgrims whose number exceeded 700. The religious ceremonies, presided over by Mgr Brunault, were most imposing. That evening there was a torchlight procession which made a fine display. Many hundred tapers made the night as bright as day. The harmonious sounds of the pilgrims' singing were admired by all. « I have seen Lourdes, Monseigneur said afterwards, I have attended all its ceremonies and processions, but I have never seen anything like this. »

On Tuesday, the 19th, the parish of *St. Jean Port-Joli* came to ask St. Anne to accept its homage and to listen to its prayers. It was represented by 600 delegates under the charge of their worthy pastor Rvd Mr Frenette. A misunderstanding prevented them from remaining at the shrine until sunset.