BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

OF THE

LATE REV. P. J. DOHERTY. (1)

Consummatus in brevi explevit tempora multa.

Being made perfect, in a short space he fulfilled a long time.

(WISDOM, IV., 13)

These words of Holy Writ meet with their happiest application in the young priest whose recent loss the entire country bitterly deplores. Mr. Doherty lived but a short time, scarcely thirty years from the cradle to the grave; but in that brief space he managed to group the works and labours of a long and eventful life. If we are to judge the man, the Christian, the priest, not by the number of days which God allots to him, but by the happy use of the talents and powers with which God has enriched him, we may with certainty say that in truth Mr. Doherty is one of those who have lived long in but little time.

(1) This biographical sketch has been translated from the French of the Rev. L. H. Paquet, professor, Laval University.