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RESIGNATION OF THE BISHOP OF QU'APPELLE.

THE resignation of the Bishop of Qu'Appelle will take from the Canadian Church an earnest and self-denying worker. His coming to this country involved the resignation of work which was very dear to him in England and in the midst of which he had made his mark. When he accepted it—the rectory of Woolwich—his friends remarked that he seemed to have a special liking for the poorest and grimmest places to live and work in, which showed, no doubt, that the missionary spirit was strong within him. He was consecrated Bishop of Qu'Appelle at the same time that Hanington was consecrated Bishop of East Equatorial Africa, and the early martyrdom of the latter aroused still further the missionary feelings of many in England.

Bishop Anson, as the third son of the first Earl of Lichfield, commanded much influence in England, and this, together with much of his

own private means, he used for the benefit of his diocese. The association formed in England proved of great assistance to him in his work.

It is rather singular that while one Englishman is going back to England, resigning his episcopate at the age of fifty-two, another is leaving England at about the same age (a trifle

older, indeed) to commence the work of a Canadian bishopric, the one diocese being Qu'Appelle, and the other Quebec, a similarity in name which is not a little striking.

No one who knows Bishop Anson can feel otherwise than that his resignation is actuated by the best possible motives, but many will deeply regret that the diocese will have his guiding hand and fostering care no longer. His Lordship has given to his Synod his reasons for resigning the See. After twenty-eight years' work as bishop and priest he feels that he needs

“a time of retirement to give himself more entirely to penitence and prayer and the deeper preparation of the soul than he has found possible amidst a life of active work.” He does not seem to intend to enter into active work



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