

Expulsion of Rev John Cushing of the Diocese of Denver
from the Diocese of Montreal
Notice of Final Appeal.

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In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost;
and invoking the Patronage of the Blessed Virgin, Help of Christians,
and the protection of St. Michael and all the Angels. Amen.

JAMES ROGERS, by the Grace of God, and favor of the Holy Apostolic See, BISHOP OF CHATHAM, &c., &c.

To all his flock whom it may interest, Greeting in the Lord.

DEARLY BELOVED:

Though what we are about to say here may have more or less interest for other parts of our Diocese, yet to the members of St. Raphael's Congregation of Blackville in this County of Northumberland we address ourselves especially, on account of the report brought to us by our esteemed Vicar-General, Father Barry, of a meeting held in said church on Friday, Sept. 17th, of the principal members of that congregation, hurriedly called and presided over by him in order to ascertain their views, and the advice to be given by him to the Bishop in regard to the matter on which the Bishop had consulted him, viz: the following telegram received by the Bishop from the Rev. John H. Cushing, the priest in pastoral charge of said congregation since 21st August, 1896, and who had been verbally notified early in May by the Bishop on the occasion of his visit to him at Chatham, and on the 4th August by the Vicar-General, Father Barry, when both he and the Bishop visited Father Cushing on the church grounds at Blackville, intimating that as Father Crumley would finish his pastorate at Dalhousie on Sunday, the 5th Sept., immediately after which he would come to succeed Father Cushing, therefore, that Father Cushing should prepare to close up his charge in that mission about the same time—