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ARCHBISHOP OF KINGSTON.

IT seems but yesterday that Catholic and Protestant alike stood in Kingston Cathedral beside the bier of Archbishop Cleary, grieving over the great loss both Church and Canada had to sustain in the demise of that singularly gifted and highly accomplished prelate. To-day (the 18th of October) in that same Cathedral of St. Mary's, Catholic and Protestant have re-assembled in vast numbers to witness the beautiful ceremonies of the episcopal consecration of Mgr. Cleary's successor, His Grace Archbishop Gauthier. It is a moment for retrospection, and our thoughts naturally fly back over the past years of this new candidate for the "complement of the priesthood."

In the early eighties, Gabriel Gauthier and his wife settled in that part of Glengarry County which has since become the town of Alexandria; to this pious family was born on November 13th 1845 a son whom God destined to be the future Archbishop of Kingston. Thus descended from Scotch and French ancestry, he has the distinguishing traits of each, for in his character the shrewd, clever, business qualities of the Scotch are united with the polish, grace and religious spirit of the French. He received his primary education at the Christian Brothers' School in Alexandria and in 1859, he entered Regiopolis College, Kingston, at that time under the presidency of Dr. O'Brien. This was the golden oppor-