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Special Notice.—We are preparing for the printer a new list of the names and addresses of Subscribers to the Gazette, and to all, who make immediate application and pay their annual subscription of twenty-five cents, we offer in the coming year 1896, to mail the Gazette direct, thus saving the Clergy trouble and ensuring the delivery of the Gazette without delay. We therefore advise all, who have been receiving the Gazette through their Clergymen, to hand in to them **at once** their names and Post Office addresses **together with twenty-five cents**, so as to enable the Clergy to send up to us their lists of Subscribers by December 12th; for it must be understood that in the case of all fresh names, arising after the new list has been prepared, the Gazette will have to be sent through the Clergy as heretofore. Those, to whom we already mail the Gazette direct, should also send us their Renewal Subscriptions for 1896, **at once**. Within the City limits this offer applies to Box-holders only, but we shall be pleased to mail the Gazette direct to all within the City limits in return for an extra payment of ten cents per annum.

The Holy Season of Advent.

With the end of November we have come once more to the close of the Church's year, and now, as our readers open this issue of our *Diocesan Gazette*, we have entered upon the Season of Advent. Again, therefore, we have to fix our gaze upon that Mystery of Mysteries, the Incarnation of the Son of God. Again we have to dwell upon the great future Advent of our Lord Jesus Christ, when surrounded by all His glorious hosts He shall come to judge both the quick and the dead. By special Services and by special teaching, and above all by special prayer and meditation in our homes, let us prepare ourselves in every way for the Advent of our King. Yes, God grant that we may so keep Advent, that we may have a truly happy Christmas, to the glory and praise of God.

Statistics of the Diocese of Quebec, and their Lessons.

According to the Statistics, which should have been furnished from our Diocese to the Provincial Synod at its recent Session in Montreal, but which were not then forthcoming, our present Bishop has during the last three years ordained twelve Deacons and eight Priests. He has also received six Clergymen from other Dioceses. Leaving the eight Priests out of account, it is evident that eighteen new Clergymen have been accepted and employed in the Diocese; but nine were during the same period transferred to other Dioceses, and two of our older Clergy passed away to their rest, leaving consequently an increase of seven, so that the whole number of Clergy, including those engaged at Bishop's College, Lennoxville, and also including six retired Clergy, who are now receiving Pensions,