

Mary, of the Mother and of the Daughter ! Who does not recall with joy the 16th May 1889 when, as related in the *Annals* of that date, the splendid temple received the holy unction that gave it a more sacred character and the *Consecration* that devoted it for ever to the worship of the only true God, the King of kings and Lord of Lords ! By all those acts performed in the name of His Holiness Pope Leo XIII, the whole history of the devotion to St. Anne received solemn confirmation and the servants of that great Saint became assured that their Patroness and Mother would never issue from a consecrated shrine. These acts responded to the wishes of all the Catholics in Canada and the United States.

And quite recently on the 1st June 1899, the festival of Corpus Christi, the people of Canada witnessed the inauguration of the grounds around the Basilica and the exaltation of Saint Anne's relics. His Lordship Monseigneur Gravel, Bishop of Nicolet, presided at the ceremony in the midst of a crowd of worshippers, including the Professors, students and pupils of the Great and Minor Seminary of Quebec. After the pontifical mass, His Lordship solemnly blessed a new reliquary of massive gold, adorned with brilliants and other precious stones offered as *ex-votos*. In this reliquary, which is admired by all connoisseurs, is a relic from St. Anne's arm. The ceremony which was explained and enlivened by an eloquent sermon by Reverend Father Manise and ended with the procession and *Te Deum*, showed once more how St. Anne is entitled to our affection and confidence. This illustrious Saint, beloved from the beginning of the colony, recognized as a special Patroness and glorified as such by the Venerable Monseigneur de Laval, the first bishop of Quebec, by his worthy successors, by the persons most eminent for virtue and by the faithful, becomes dearer and dearer to all hearts, as she becomes better known through the benefits she confers.

And what are our duties toward St. Anne ? Pastors will endeavor to promote pilgrimages, to establish St. Anne's confraternity in their parishes and to affiliate with the archconfraternity of St. Anne de Beaupré as well as to propagate the *Annals*. The faithful will make it a duty to come on a pilgrim-