

# ANNALS

OF

## THE DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

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### CHAPTER I.

EXPLORATORY VOYAGE OF JACQUES CARTIER—RELIGIOUS SERVICE BEFORE EMBARKATION—HOCHELAGA—VOYAGES OF CHAUVIN—COMMISSION OF CHAMPLAIN—DUC DE VENTADOUR GOVERNOR—ORDER OF ST. SULPICIUS—ROMAN CATHOLIC BISHOPRIC OF QUEBEC—POSSESSION OF CANADA DISPUTED BETWEEN THE ENGLISH AND THE FRENCH—CAPTURE OF QUEBEC BY GENERAL WOLFE, 1759—PROVINCE CEDED TO THE ENGLISH—POPULATION AT THAT TIME—CHARACTER OF THE NEW SETTLERS AND OF THE CANADIANS.

ALTHOUGH the subject which the author proposes to treat in the following pages is simply the Ecclesiastical History of Lower Canada since it became a dependency of the British Crown, yet a few historical notices by way of introduction will probably be not unwelcome.

It is now more than three centuries ago since Jacques Cartier, an enterprising French seaman,