

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CENTRAL BOARD FOR THE YEAR 1892.

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Since presenting our last Annual Report to the Church Society, three events of great importance have occurred, which will ever make the year 1892 a memorable one in the annals of the Diocese of Quebec; we need hardly say that we refer, first, to the death of our beloved Bishop in the month of April last, then, secondly, to the choice of his successor, in the month of June, and, lastly, to the fact that on the 7th day of July last, our Church Society completed the fiftieth year of its existence.

By the death of our beloved Bishop the greatest possible loss has befallen this Diocese. Though not the originator of the Church Society, he devoted so much time, thought, and interest to its welfare, that it thrived apace under his administration; as was happily the case with all our Church organizations.

Bishop Williams not only watched over the welfare of the Society, but inspired others with somewhat of his own energy and enthusiasm; Clergy and Laity alike under his example and guidance, strove to promote its well being, and thus are we enabled to shew a financial condition as remarkable in its present prosperity as it is encouraging for the future.

However, we could not be long left without a Chief Shepherd to watch over the spiritual affairs of the Diocese; and so in the month of June, at a meeting of the Synod, specially summoned for the purpose, we were called upon to elect his successor, when, by the blessing and guidance of the Holy Spirit, the Reverend Andrew Hunter Dunn, Vicar of All Saints, South Acton, England, was unanimously chosen for that very arduous and responsible position; and was consecrated in Christ Church Cathedral, Montreal, on Sunday, 18th September, 1892, during the session of the Provincial Synod.

Then, as we have already stated, on the 7th day of July in the same year, our Church Society, a society which has