

at Chatham on Tuesday, 26th, I sent a telegram to the reverend pastor at Grand Anse, telling him that you had been transferred from Blackville to Grand Anse, and that he begin immediately to prepare to leave Grand Anse for the mission of St. Paul's, Lower Caraqueet.

But your course at Blackville in impeding the pastor from having recourse to his church (while he did not impede you) makes me pause and hesitate before going further in the matter of your appointment to Grand Anse.

But with regard to Blackville, you now have only the permission and authority to remain the few days asked and granted to wind up your pastorate and prepare for leaving honorably and in a charitable and gentlemanly way. Father Crumley is installed pastor and has the right and obligation to take charge of the church and whatever belongs to it, and to see that nothing wrong or disedifying take place, as far as he the pastor in charge can fulfil that duty.

With regard to your destined pastorate at Grand Anse, the present outgoing pastor must have the time necessary to pack up his household effects and to duly prepare to leave, which cannot be done in less than two weeks from the time he received notice on the 26th Oct., and which will be about the 9th Nov. In regard to Blackville you know that Father Crumley has been there, ready to enter upon his pastoral work since the 9th of Sept. If there has been delay it was owing to your action, and the patient, charitable desire which all of us had to not overwhelm you with the effects of your unpriestly mode of acting, and to not dishonor religion in the person of one of her ministers. And, now, I hereby notify you that unless your future course at Grand Anse or wherever you may labor be in accord with the due obedience, decorum, and discipline of the Canon Law governing both clergy and people you will not be retained in the exercise of the holy ministry in this diocese, but will receive your "Exeat"—i. e. leave to go to the diocese to which you canonically belong. You have not been incorporated into the clergy of our diocese, but like several other worthy priests belonging to other dioceses who, with the permission of their Ordinaries, offered their professional services and were willingly employed in the usual way—the terms to last as long as would be mutually agreeable and convenient. But while I now appoint you to Grand Anse, it is because of the proximity of the Very Reverend Father Barry, Pastor at Bathurst, who is Vicar-General of the Diocese, and as such will see that you do your duty in a correct way.

Begging God to guide and bless you and all your future duties,

I am, Reverend Sir, faithfully yours in J. C.

(Signed) † JAMES ROGERS, Bishop of Chatham.