

ception, and they judged that it was most proper to call the new chapel by that name. After having erected their chapel the people asked the Government to give them a Post Office naming it "Immaculee Conception," and to give the parish the same name.

The Government was not then inclined to grant too many favours to French Catholic people, and the result was that after eight years, the Government granted them a Post Office, but refused to give the name desired, Dover South being given instead. The people resented that insult very deeply and refused forever to accept this name for their parish. A member of the Parliament at the time, Mr. Bourassa, of St. John, who had represented the people of this parish in this request, said to the people that the Government had refused to grant them the name "Immaculee Conception," because it was too French and too Catholic for a post office. The Government thought then that this little group of French-Canadians would soon disappear with the Indians in the wild forests, for the French-Canadians were considered as an insignificant minority by the Government in this part of the country. However, that insignificant minority has grown strong and become a power.

The parish, however, had an older name which was strongly rooted in the hearts of the people, and which will remain forever. This dated back to the coming of the first settlers who called it "Pain Court." It was the first name given by the Frenchmen settling in this parish; however this was acknowledged by the Government only in the month of March, 1911.

Rev. Father A. D. Emery had been appointed parish priest of this parish in January, 1911, where he was sent to build a church and a presbytery. Upon his arrival he found it more than awkward to have the name Dover South for the Post Office in a place where the people had always refused to accept it. He wrote, at once, to Honorable R. Lemieux, the Postmaster-General, and obtained in a short time to the great pleasure of the people, the name Pain Court instead of Dover South for the Post Office. (I would like to mention an incident with regard to the way of writing the name. Until 1913, the name Pain Court was always written in two words, which is the proper way, but during that year the members of the Geographic Board decided that it should be written in one word. Needless to say the people of Pain Court will ignore that decision entirely; they have waited fifty-one years to obtain