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## MARKING THE BIRTHPLACE OF THE CHURCH IN CANADA.

An Interesting Commemoration  
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Three hundred and five years ago, on a spot within the boundaries of the present Catholic parish of Annapolis Royal, the church received its first converts from among the aborigines of Canada. Membertou, Chief of the Micmacs, and twenty of his relatives, were baptized on that occasion, and by degrees the whole tribe followed their example, so that, half a century later, it could be said by a contemporary writer that there was not one heathen Indian left in these parts. The baptism of Membertou, being the first recorded baptism in all the territory now embraced in the Dominion of Canada, is looked upon as the starting point of the church in this country, and a movement was begun a couple of years ago to mark this event with a suitable memorial. It was decided by those having the matter in hand that the memorial should take the form of a set of "Stations of the Cross" and a tablet, and these have now been duly placed in St. Thomas' Church in this town. The pictures for the "stations" were painted in oils, expressly for this memorial, by Gabriel Pippet, an English artist, whose name and personality are known to many on this side of

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