

They have been entered under the stately Church of St. Roch below Quebec, his native parish.

On the news of the death of the Rvd. Père Bélanger having reached St. John's, the good Bishop Mollock undertook a journey to see if the Bishop of Arichat could give a missioner to replace him. Having failed there he proceeded to Quebee, but there met with no better success. No priest could be spared, and no Bishop was willing to send a priest to such an isolated place. Returning much discouraged, the good Bishop received, in Halifax, a petition from a number of the thus bereft Catholics of St. George's Bay, the great bulk of whom came from the diocese of Arichat, requesting Bishop Mullock to do that which he was just after doing, to request Bishop McKinnon of Arichat to send them a priest. The petition was couched in the most feeling language expressing the desolation of the whole region in being left without a priest. It so mollified the kind hearted Bishop McKinnon that he sent it on to the writer, who was then parish priest of Port Mulgrave, in the Strait of Canso, with an appeal to him to see if he would have courage and disinterestedness enough to go to that distant mission for nine months. It was late in the season, the end of October ; but as if Providence would have it so, a vessel was found to be preparing to go to this very shore for a cargo of fish. So that in five days after the first intimation of the project he was on board the vessel and off for the new scene of his future labors, not indeed for the locality that petitioned, but for a place some one hundred miles further off. Hither, as if Providence wished to encourage the project, the vessel arrived on the second day after leaving port, some 300 miles in the short space of forty hours, being nearly equal to steam-boat speed.