

styled "*an Indian only in name*" by those amongst the French who knew him best.—The Seminary of Quebec was destroyed by fire on the 15th November.—A fort was erected at Detroit this year.—The Earl of Bellamont, governor of New York, died at New York.

**1702.** King William III. died in March, and Queen Anne ascended the throne. On 4th May, war was declared by Great Britain, Germany, and Holland, against France and Spain.

**1703.** M. de Callière died at Quebec on 26th May. On the death of M. de Callière, the colonists petitioned the king to appoint as his successor, M. de Vaudreuil, then governor of Montreal, and his Majesty having been pleased to accede to this request, Philippe de Rigaud, Marquis de Vaudreuil, became governor of Canada on 1st August, 1703.—Sir John Leake with an English fleet, destroyed three French men of war, and upwards of thirty merchantmen off the coast of Newfoundland.—A decree was issued at Versailles on 20th March, cancelling previous grants of lands in Nova Scotia, to the duke de Vendôme le Borgne, Latour and others, declaring Acadia reunited to the Royal Domain, and granting lands to Latour and others in lieu of those resumed by the Crown.—A conference was held by Governor Dudley, of Massachusetts, with the Indians of Acadia at Casco, where assurances of peace and friendship were mutually given, but, in less than two months, these same Indians attacked the English settlements all along the frontier, with their usual ferocity.—Francois de Laval de Montmorency, Abbé de Montigny, who was sent to Canada in 1659 to preside over the church in Canada, with the rank of Vicar Apostolic, and who subsequently became Bishop of Petœa, and later

first Bishop of Quebec, which dignity he resigned in 1688, died at Quebec at the advanced age of 86.\*—M. de Beauharnois was appointed Royal Intendant in place of M. de Champigny.

**1704.** In May an expedition left Boston to scour the coasts of the Bay of Fundy and Basin of Mines, under Colonel Benjamin Church, who finished by landing at Beaubassin (Chignecto), which he destroyed.—Peregrine White, the first child born in the Plymouth Colony, died on 20th July, aged 83 years. His descendants are said to have removed with other loyalists to the County of Shelbourne, Nova Scotia. — The Bishop of Quebec, (Jean Baptiste de la Croix de St. Valier), whilst on his way from France to Canada in *La Seine*, a French frigate, was captured by the English, and carried a prisoner to England.

**1707.** The English Colonies sent a large force to attack Port Royal, (Annapolis), by sea and land; the attack failed, but the besieged, commanded by Subercase, assisted by de Castin, were very hard pressed, and had great difficulty in maintaining the place.

**1708.** Deerfield and Haverhill, in New England, were destroyed by an expedition from Canada, under de Chaillons and Hertel de Rouville, and many of the inhabitants were massacred.

\* Francois Xavier de Laval-Montmorency, Abbé de Montigny, born at Laval, Maine, France, 23rd March, 1622—a descendant of the great Constable of France, Anne de Montmorency—trained under the immediate superintendence of Bernieres de Louvigny at the well-known "Hermitage" at Caen, was the man selected by le Jeune as a fit ruler for the Church in Canada, and the choice did credit to the sagacity of the learned Jesuit. Laval was a man born to rule; his proud, imperious nature could brook no superior (and whilst in Canada he certainly never acknowledged one). He was consecrated Bishop of Petœa, and appointed Vicar-Apostolic for Canada. M. de Laval was thus the first Bishop sent to Canada.