

his studies. This wish was complied with by his kind father ; and after having studied, during seven or eight years, in the Colleges of St. Hyacinth and Quebec, he was promoted to the order of the Priesthood in 1843, and returned to his native Diocese the same year. We have been told by an old friend of the family that when young McIntyre first went to college, his father had several long stockings literally crammed with Spanish dollars, and so, wanting the accommodation of banks, the old gentleman was enabled to promptly make generous remittances to his son and pay the college bills on presentation. The same good friend also tells us that by the time young "Father McIntyre" returned from Quebec the Spanish dollars were pretty low in the old stocking—but not exhausted ! May it not be that the generous manner in which his venerable father furnished him with ample funds until he was able to provide for himself, materially helped to form and develop those generous, hospitable and princely traits of character which we all admire in Bishop McIntyre.

The first missionary duties of Father McIntyre were performed as assistant to Father Perry. After a short time, however, he was appointed to the charge of Tignish, Lot 7, the Brae and Cascumpec, with his principal residence at Tignish. There he lived and labored for seventeen years ; and it was there that he first gave evidence of his talent for building. The Acadian French who form the largest proportion of the Catholic congregation at Tignish, were, at that time, neither rich in this world's goods nor counted enterprising. Yet to them belongs the very great credit of building, under the direction of Father McIntyre, the first brick church—if we mistake not, the first public building of brick—ever erected in this Province—a church which, at this day, is one of the finest on the Island. Inspired by their enthusiastic priest, the poor French people made the bricks, hauled them to the site, laid the foundation, and built the church. They had little money, but much zeal ; and they were led by a man of rare administrative ability. To the church at Tignish was added a handsome Parochial house and a fine convent, both of brick. A church and Parochial house were also about the same time built at Brae.

The talents and zeal of Father McIntyre were soon recognized by a Church which—whatever her faults—is not slow to see and