

been appointed, and that the choice of the Holy Father had fallen upon the Reverend Peter McIntyre, parish priest of Tignish.

The Bishop-elect having set apart the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin as the day of his consecration, preparations were made for celebrating it with all due solemnity. A like event had never before taken place in Charlottetown and the faithful gathered from all parts of the colony, many of them accompanied by their Protestant friends, all anxious to witness the impressive ceremony, the importance of which was enhanced by the fact that the Bishop-elect of Chatham, the Right Reverend Dr. Rogers, was also to receive consecration on the same day at the hands of the Archbishop of Halifax.

The weather was fine, and old St. Dunstan's was crowded to its utmost capacity. At half-past nine o'clock the procession left the Episcopal residence and passing up Dorchester Street, entered the Cathedral by the western door. Besides the consecrating prelate, His Grace the Most Reverend Thomas Lewis Connolly, Archbishop of Halifax, and the two bishops-elect, there were present the Right Reverend Dr. Mullock, Bishop of St. John's, Newfoundland; Right Reverend Dr. Dalton, Bishop of Harbor Grace; Right Reverend Dr. McKinnon, Bishop of Arichat; Right Reverend Dr. Sweney, the recently consecrated Bishop of St. John, New Brunswick; the Rev. Mr. Power, of Halifax; Rev. Mr. McManus, of New Brunswick; Rev. Mr. Vereker, of St. John's, Nfld.; Rev. Mr. O'Connor, of Portugal Cove, Nfld.; Rev. Mr. McGillivray, Arichat; Rev. Mr. Quinn, St. Stephen's, New Brunswick.; Rev. Canon Woods, Halifax; Rev. James McDonald, V. G. of Charlottetown; Rev. Thomas Phelan, pastor of St. Dunstan's Cathedral; Rev. Pius McPhee, St. Andrew's; Rev. Angus McDonald, of St. Dunstan's College; Rev. Mr. McDonald, of St. Columba; Rev. G. Belcourt, of Rustico. The newspapers of that day assure us that the people were much impressed with the solemnity and beauty of the ceremonies, and that the sermon delivered by the Rev. Canon Woods was eloquent and appropriate.

The state of the diocese of Charlottetown at that period was very different from its present flourishing condition. A rapid