

Hon. Jean Thos. Taschereau, was a Judge of the King's Bench, of the same Province. His mother was Marie, dau. of the Hon. Jean Antoine Panet, first Speaker of the first Assembly elected in the Province of Quebec. B. at Ste. Marie de la Beauce, P.Q., Feb. 17, 1820, he was ed. at the Quebec Semy., after which he spent 16 mths. (1836-37) travelling in the United Kingdom, and in Belgium, France and Italy. On his return to Quebec, 1837, he entered the Grand Semy., and, having followed the prescribed course in theol., was ordained priest in his native parish, Sept. 10, 1842. He remained in the Semy., first as a prof. and afterwards as dpr., 29 yrs., and while there compiled several educational works for the use of the students, none of which, however, have been printed. While still discharging his duties at the Semy., he volunteered for service to attend the sick and dying Irish immigrants at Grosse Isle, during the prevalence of the ship-fever, 1847, and was himself prostrated by the disease. In 1854 the future Cardinal went to Rome, where, after 2 yrs., he took his degree of D.D. In 1860 he was elected Superior of the Semy., and became *ex-officio* Rector of Laval Univ., an institution in whose interest he afterwards journeyed to Rome on 2 occasions, namely, in 1862 and in 1864. In 1869 he attended Archbp. Baillargeon during the sittings of the Vatican Council, as his secy. and theologian. He had previously, in 1862, been apptd. a V.-G. of the Archdiocese. The duties of his several offices he continued to discharge up to the death of his venerated predecessor in the Episcopate, Oct., 1870, when he was chosen as his successor. Dr. T. was duly consecrated in the Basilica of Quebec by the late Most Rev. J. J. Lynch, Archbp. of Toronto, Mch. 19, 1871, and forthwith entered upon his duties. As 16th Archbp. of Quebec, one of his first efforts was directed towards freeing the Coll.

at Ste. Anne de la Pocatière from its financial difficulties. After 7 years' labour, with the assistance of his clergy, whose zeal and generosity in this as in other matters he has always been glad to acknowledge, he succeeded. Soon after his elevation, His Grace went to Montreal as Apostolic Del. to enquire into and report upon some unforeseen difficulties arising out of the erection of certain parishes in that city, and, at the end of 1872, he proceeded to Rome with a view of procuring a final settlement thereof. In the same year he founded in Quebec the Hotel-Dieu du Sacré-Cœur, a hospital which has since become of great local benefit. He also adopted measures for the reconstruction of the ch. at Ste. Anne de Beaupré, a shrine which for 250 yrs. has been the Mecca of devout pilgrims seeking restoration of health. In the following year he began the construction of a semy. at Chicoutimi; in 1874 he took part in the 200th anniversary of the foundation of the Episcopal See of Quebec; in 1873, and, in 1878, he presided at 2 Provl. Councils; in 1879 he enlarged the curriculum of the Coll. of Lévis, by giving it a classical course. In 1882, and, in 1884, he was again at Rome. On June 7, 1886, he was created a Cardinal Priest of the Holy Roman Church, with the title of Sainte Marie de la Victoire. His Eminence being the first native of Can. to be elevated to the Sacred Coll., and being a prelate personally popular and beloved by all classes, his appt. was received with great rejoicing throughout the country. He was presented with an address of congratulation from the Legislative Assembly of Quebec and the Mayor and City Council of Quebec, and was afterwards feted in that city, in Montreal, Toronto and elsewhere. He received the chapeau from the Pope's hands, Mch. 17, 1887. In Sept., 1894, His Eminence retired from the administration of his diocese, and Mgr. Begin, his coadjutor, was apptd. admnr. thereof. One