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Editorial.

This Number completes the fourth Volume of our *Diocesan Gazette*, and we are able to point to the fact that we have not only fulfilled our intention of giving our readers a Picture every month, but in three of our Numbers there has been an extra illustration making fifteen in all, without any diminution of the reading matter.

And now, though we are afraid we shall not be able to localise and publish in our GAZETTE any English Magazine, yet we are making arrangements to improve our publication by the insertion of interesting Stories and Illustrated Articles, and we hope, as the new year proceeds, gradually to develop this department of the GAZETTE.

Meantime we would ask our subscribers, if they have not already done so, to send in their renewals for 1898, either direct to us in Quebec or through their Clergyman, and we would remind the Clergy and others that Names and Addresses of new subscribers to be printed on the new Address list must reach us *at the latest* before December 20th. If we do not hear to the contrary it is taken for granted that all subscriptions are to be continued, and they will be expected accordingly. For

once we have undergone the trouble and expense of placing our friends' names on the new year's lists, we can hardly be asked to accept their withdrawal.

We earnestly trust that all our old friends will take an interest in furthering our efforts by shewing the GAZETTE to their neighbours, and by obtaining new subscribers. They will thus be conferring upon these new subscribers the great benefit of becoming interested in all that is being done in the Diocese and they will at the same time, by increasing our circulation, enable us to go on improving and enlarging and illustrating our monthly issues. If all, who now look forward with pleasure to the arrival by the mail of their DIOCESAN GAZETTE, would obtain for it just one extra subscriber, our circulation would at once increase by many hundreds.

It will easily be understood that the collecting of materials, the arranging for interesting matter, as well as illustrations, with the work of preparing the monthly issues for the mail, all of which is done on an honorary footing, without a cent of expense, simply for the good of Church work in the Diocese, must involve a very large amount of time and labour. There is indeed no expense except that of the bare printing of the pages and the cost