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*Right Reverend William A. Macdonell, D.D.,
Bishop-elect of Alexandria.*

Rev. William Andrew Macdonell is, like his predecessor in the see of Alexandria, of the Catholic Highland stock, that has given of its best to the Church of God. He was born in the township of Charlottenburg, county of Glengarry. When he had acquired all the knowledge the public school of the county could give him, the young man turned to St. Joseph's College, Ottawa, for higher education, there to develop the latent genius of an ecclesiastical vocation that led him to the Grand Seminary, Montreal. In September, 1881, His Grace Archbishop Cleary of Kingston ordained him priest in the historic church of St. Raphaels. The first four years of his sacred ministry were given to Gananoque; the next five in Glen-Nevis, where he succeeded the present Bishop of Kingston. In 1890 he replaced Rev. George Corbett at St. Andrews, and here he received the call of the Master, "*ascende superius*."

The scholarly attainments and self-denying piety of the bishop-elect; the mild and charitable disposition which has endeared him to all with whom he has come in contact; the prudent energy and broadmindedness that have characterized his work in the past, are an earnest of the successful administration of so promising a portion of the Church in Ontario. In this appointment Rome's choice was indeed the people's voice. *Ad multos annos.*

J. J. MACDONELL, '06.