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## DIocese OF QUEBEC.

TO THE CLERGY OF THE DIocese OF QUEBEC.

(Circular)

Quebec, 25th June, 1850.

REV. AND DEAR SIR,

As there may possibly be places in the Diocese in which precise directions are needed, respecting the *Prayer for the Governor General* and respecting the adaptation to local use, of the *Prayer for the High Court of Parliament, during their Session*, I beg to state for your information and guidance, if it should chance to be so required—1. That the *Prayer for the Governor General* is always to be used, at morning and evening prayer, after the *prayer for the Royal Family*, except when the Ante-Communion service is used in the former, in which case it will immediately follow the *Prayer for the Queen*, in that service: And 2. That the *Prayer for the High Court of Parliament* is always to be used, during the Session of the Provincial Legislature, immediately before the *General Thanksgiving*, when the *Litany* is said, and at other times, immediately before the *Prayer for all conditions of men*,—being adapted in this form which follows:

Most Gracious God, we humbly beseech thee, as for this Province in general, so especially for the Provincial Parliament at this time assembled, and so forth,

The *Prayer for the Governor General* is added below.

I am,

Dear Sir,

Your affectionate brother,

G. J. MONTREAL.

### *Prayer for the Governor General.*

Lord of all power and mercy, we earnestly beseech thee to assist with thy favor the Governor General over this part of the dominions of our Sovereign. Cause him, we pray thee, to walk before thee and the people committed to his charge, in truth and righteousness; and enable him to use his delegated power to Thy glory, to the public good, and to the advancement of his own salvation, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## NEW BISHOPRIC OF MONTREAL.

TO THE CLERGY WITHIN THE DISTRICT OF MONTREAL.

Bishop's College, Lennoxville.

(Circular)

12th. June, 1850.

REV. AND DEAR SIR,

Matters being, as you are aware, in full train for the speedy division of this Diocese, and this object having been attained by the christian zeal and liberality of individuals, as well as of public bodies in England, with comparatively little left to be done by those upon the spot, who are to benefit, in their spiritual concerns, by the arrangement, it evidently behoves them to do that little with alacrity of spirit, and in a creditable manner. It will probably be admitted on all hands, that the very least which can be expected from the members of the Church within the proposed new Diocese (which is co-extensive and co-incident with the District of Montreal,) is to provide a suitable *episcopal residence* in the City of Montreal. A Committee of Clergymen and laymen has been appointed in the city for this object and operations have been there commenced. But since it will be a

manifest gain to the members of the Church throughout the new Diocese, to have a See established in Montreal, and they cannot fail to feel and appreciate their own direct interest in such an arrangement, let me be permitted to express a hope that *something*, if it be only as a token of good-will, will be done towards the object in other places where the Church is established, within the Montreal District. And if so, it must be done *immediately* for there is reason to believe that the new Bishop may arrive in the course of the ensuing autumn, and possibly in the early part of it. In any cure where persons of substance are known to be resident, donations or subscriptions may be looked for in proportion: but in parishes or missions differently situated, there may still be a collection made; and it can hardly be conceived that there are in any place, many pew-holders, who could not give a dollar for the purpose, and that without prejudice to other necessary calls. It is not proposed to establish the Bishopric, in any point of view, upon a scale of magnificence; but it must surely be the desire of all Churchmen to take care that the Church of England is not so provided, in this particular, as to sink, in the public eye, either the respect due to the National Church Establishment or the dignity of the episcopal station in a city which is among the very first in importance in the whole Colonial empire of Great Britain.

In responding to many other appeals, the Clergy naturally take the lead and stimulate their followers by their own example: but, the circumstances of this Diocese being considered, I do not conceive that, in the present instance, the new Bishop would be willing that the body of his Clergy should tax themselves, for the purpose of procuring him any additional advantages. I am rather induced to regard this particular undertaking, as an affair of the laity of the proposed Diocese, and upon their good disposition in the matter, I indulge the belief that I may fully rely.

Although it is my hope that a permanent episcopal residence will be at once acquired, yet where the convenience of contributors may demand it, their contributions may be made in the shape of annual subscriptions. The Chairman of the Committee in Montreal, is the Hon. Geo. Moffatt, the Rev. I. Bethune, D. D. is Secretary, and T. B. Anderson, Esq. is Treasurer, in which capacity he will receive all remittances on account of the object recommended in this Circular. The contributions for providing the episcopal salary, all for parties who are not within the proposed Diocese, up to the date of the last issue of this paper, have already appeared in its columns; and those of which in the year has been since received, are added below.

I am,

Dear Sir,

Your affectionate brother,

G. J. MONTREAL.

### ADDITIONAL DONATIONS AND ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS.

	DONATIONS.			ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
The Archbishop of Armagh.....	100	0	0			
The Bishop of Lincoln.....				10	0	0
Anonymous.....	25	0	0			
Rev. E. C. Woolcombe.....	20	0	0			
William Cotton, Esq.....	50	0	0			
E. Arnaud, Esq. Liverpool.....	1	1	0			
Rev. C. A. Belli, Southweald.....	10	0	0			
Rev. W. Barlow, Bathwick.....	0	10	0			