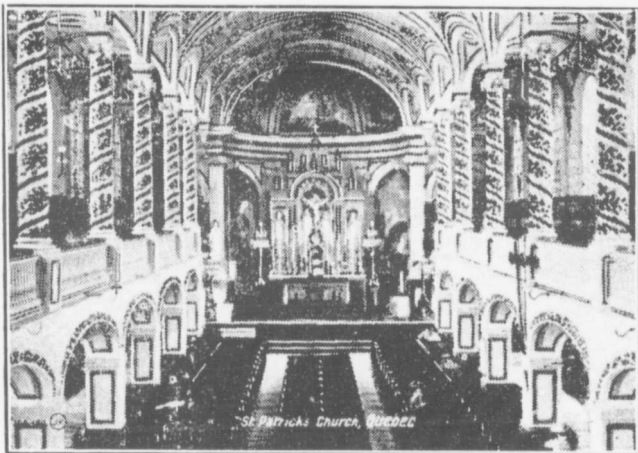


sard, vicar at Quebec. The sermon was preached by the Reverend Mr. McMahon.

#### DEATH OF THE REVEREND PATRICK McMAHON.

The Irish Catholics were now, thanks to their industry and perseverance holding an honorable position among their fellow-citizens in Quebec. In the trades, as in the learned professions, they were forging ahead.

From Point a Carcy to Sillery, in the merchants offices, as on the now deserted wharves and abandoned coves, the hum of Irish labor was heard from break of day to starlight, from May to November, while Irish footprints were becoming more plainly visible in the Canadian sanctuary and Canadian cloister.



INTERIOR OF ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH.

The leading thought of the Irish settlers was to give their children a good education, and one has only to refer to the records of the educational houses in Quebec, religious and lay, and there he will see that in the race after knowledge, the children of other creeds and origins found able competitors in the sons and daughters of the emigrants, who, on landing in Quebec, had only their physical strength and powers of endurance to depend on.

No wonder then the Reverend Mr. McMahon, felt "both pride and pleasure" on the 21st March, 1874, in addressing the St. Patrick's congregation as he could not help thinking of the great advancement made by them since his appointment as pastor. On this day from the altar steps he saw his flock united and zealous in the discharge of their religious duties, and from the steps of the Church the same union prevailed, each willing to help the other and all eager to show their affection for him at every turn.