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## PUBLIC PRAYERS

FOR THE PURPOSE OF DRAWING DOWN THE BLESSINGS OF HEAVEN ON THE ALLIED ARMIES OF FRANCE AND ENGLAND.



## PETER FLAVIANUS TURGEON,

In the Mercy of God and the Grace of the Holy Apostolic See, Archbishop of Quebec, &c.

To the Secular and Regular Clergy, and to all the Faithful in our Diocess, Greeting and Benediction in the Lord.

For a long time past, D. B. B., alarms and rumours of war have been resounding, occasioning deep and general feelings of anxiety and disquiet, not only throughout the old world, but even here, on this continent. The Emperor of Russia, following up his hitherto unchecked career of invasion and aggrandizement, seemed at length to have determined on marching his armed legions against a neighbouring power, whose fair and fertile provinces he coveted. And truly, the Czar, when once master of Constantinople, and settled in the heart of the Turkish Empire, would then see the whole Eastern world prostrate at his feet; he would then be enabled to carry out his long cherished project of uprooting the Catholic Religion in that part of the