

forthwith returned to the Bishop, in order that his Lordship may, if they shall be found otherwise canonically qualified, select one of them for institution to the said Rectory; and no informality in the manner of choosing such Clergymen by the Vestry shall invalidate the institution, unless notice in writing shall have been sent to the Bishop, or his Commissary, within twenty-one days from the date of the nomination. But if no such nomination shall be made by the Vestry, and returned to the Bishop or his Commissary, within three calendar months from the date of notice of the vacancy sent to the Churchwardens, then the right of presenting an Incumbent or Minister to the said vacant Rectory shall rest absolutely with the Bishop.

Before the submission of names to the Bishop, and before the choice of or determination by the Vestry upon any particular nominee, there shall be opportunity given for conference with the Bishop of the Diocese through a Committee named by the Vestry—said Committee to be appointed immediately upon receiving notice of the vacancy from the Bishop.

This Canon shall apply to the case of every self-sustaining Parish or Rectory.

No appointment to any Parish ranking as a Rectory or self-sustaining Parish shall be made by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, until due and satisfactory guarantee shall have been given on behalf of the Vestry thereof for the payment to the Rector or Incumbent of a stipend equal in amount at least to that fixed by the Synod as the minimum for a presbyter of equal rank or standing in Missions in the Diocese.

DECREE

FOR DIVISION OF THE RECTORY OF ST. JOHNS, AND FOR
DEFINING THE BOUNDARIES OF THE PARISH OF LONGUEUIL.

To all whom these presents may in anywise concern, William Bennett, by Divine permission, Lord Bishop of the Diocese of Montreal, sendeth greeting.

Whereas it has been deemed advisable to divide the Parish of St. Johns in the said Diocese, being a Parish constituted under Royal Letters Patent, by separating therefrom the Parish of Longueuil, and further to define the boundaries of said Parish