

the Days of the Canada Company," p. 396, the Misses Lizars record this high testimony of his unselfish labors:—"Rev. Father Dempsey—a good man, beloved by Roman Catholics and Protestants—he married, baptized and buried them with the utmost impartiality." Father Dempsey was cut off in the prime of his manhood and usefulness.

There was a vacancy in the parish till Bishop Gaulin, coadjutor of Bishop McDonnell, paid a pastoral visit to his people here on Sept. 10th, 1835. Remi Gaulin was born at Quebec in 1787, appointed coadjutor of the Bishop of Kingston and consecrated at Montreal in 1833, became Bishop of Kingston in 1840 and died in 1857. On his visit here in 1835 he began the first book of records for Ste. Anne's in French. The first entry is the baptism of Edward Rosseau, son of J. B. Rosseau, after whom Lake Rosseau is named, and his wife Julie Lamorandier who died at the American Sault in 1910, aged 100 years. One of the sponsors was Sarah Columbus, wife of Louis Columbus, the well-known armourer of the Garri-son. Bishop Gaulin on that occasion recorded the baptisms of over thirty children besides adults in addition to marriages and burials.

An interesting episode was the meeting of Bishop McDonnell with the Columbus family, on his previous visit. The death of Christopher Columbus, the famous navigator, in 1506, at Valladolid in Spain, his imposing funeral and the magnificent monument erected to his memory, had become a well known event nearing its tercentenary during Bishop McDonnell's clerical probation in that city. Among suppliants for his ministrations here he was greeted by a lineal descendant of the noted discoverer in the person of Louis Columbus, immured in this far away outpost of the empire. Here was a surprise, recalling after the lapse of half a century the experience of his student days.

Rev. Father J. Baptiste Proulx was appointed to the charge in October after the visit of Bishop Gaulin in 1835. Among the first of his entries in the register is the marriage of Marie Assance, daughter of Chief John Assance, who was drowned in 1847, having fallen from his canoe in the bay. He was a son of that Chief John Assance who signed the Treaty in 1815, surrendering 250,000 acres of land to the Government.

Father Proulx was succeeded by Father Amable Charest of Batiscau, Quebec, in 1837, who served till 1854, dying at