

Have you thought of Lennoxville?

For nearly fifty years young men have been passing into and out of Lennoxville. Here the Diocese of Quebec educates her children and specially prepares those who are called to serve our Lord as the Shepherds of His Flock. To the life at Lennoxville of these last the writer would draw attention. Let us try to trace the steps of one whom the Spirit has influenced to give himself up to the five years of training required to be undergone by Candidates for Holy Orders. He will need, to begin with, to apply himself to the study of those subjects which he is expected to have some acquaintance with before he can enter on his course at Bishop's College, this he can either do at home or by taking what is called "the preparatory year" at Bishop's College itself. When he is ready, he will become a matriculated student and will attend the regular lectures in the subjects required for a degree, and it is probably in the first year, if not in the first few months of his residence in College that he will form those habits which will contribute largely to his success or failure in after life. When he enters the College doors he sees directly opposite him the Library door, and above him he hears the tramp of many feet and the sound of merry voices, and the value of his life to the Church will largely depend henceforth on his finding the true proportion between work and play. Supposing him to find this proportion we may predict for him five happy and profitable years. His character will expand and deepen under the influence of living men, and of the great departed, who, being dead, yet speak; he will make new friends among his fellow students and love them none the less because in Lecture Room and Play-ground they are his rivals: again he will begin to see friendly faces looking at him from old books and inviting him surely not without success, to take some interest in them and in the truths they teach. Thus three years will pass by, time hardly ever hanging heavily on our student's hands, and the daily round of his regular life—breakfast, Chapel, Lectures, Dinner, Afternoon Lecture, Chapel, Private Study—will never be monotonous. And in due course the day will come when he will be entitled to wear, we hope with honour, his Bachelor's hood. But during these first three years he will learn that he may be useful by doing other work than that needed for his degree, he will find that the

Church is sorely in need of men to give their services to her people, owing to the wide area which each of her Clergy has to cover single handed. Our Student will long to give help in this field, and being found diligent in his studies will, in his second or third year, be admitted to the College Brotherhood of Lay Readers, and under the sanction of the Bishop will help any Clergyman who stands in need of such assistance. And now, although perhaps still residing in the College, the Student is, as a Reader, under the direction of the Professor of Pastoral Theology, and attends the fortnightly meetings for Prayer and Reading of the Scriptures known as the Brotherhood meetings; he is also henceforth allowed to take his turn in reading the Lessons in Chapel, and at the close of his third year, and in some cases before, he passes from the College to the Divinity House, and begins to lead a life of more strict preparation for the Holy Profession he has in view. From the time when he enters the Divinity House he had to attend Prayers in that House at 7.45 a.m., 12.50 p.m. and 10 p.m. in addition to the Chapel Services, whilst every Wednesday and Friday evening addresses are given at the 10 o'clock Service. It might be thought by one unaccustomed to so many stated hours of Prayer, that they would be found irksome and might become formal and so worse than useless. On the contrary, they are a great relief, and by keeping us continually reminded of the Presence of God, they point to the end of all work and so keep us on the one hand from idleness, and on the other from a too engrossing interest in our books. Two years are thus spent in Theological Study, and then the Student may be examined by the Bishop, who, if he deems him satisfactory and well fitted for the Holy Office, proceeds to ordain him a Deacon in the Church of God.

It will be seen from the above sketch of a life at Lennoxville how gradual is the preparation of a student from the time when he receives his first call to work in the Lord's Vineyard to the time when, Holy Orders being conferred on him, he is enabled to go about his Father's business in his Father's strength. May some of our readers be led to turn this matter over in their minds and to consider whether it is not in their power either themselves to go, or to send others to Lennoxville to be trained for the service of Almighty God.

There is not a home in our Province of Quebec, which should not take an interest in this great matter. There is not a home in this Province which should grudge