

# Government stops bear hunt

Natural Resources Minister John Snobelen recently announced that the government intends to terminate the spring bear hunt in Ontario.

The Province decided to end the annual event because it will not tolerate cubs being orphaned by hunters mistakenly shooting mother bears.

"Many people have told us that the way the hunt is conducted and the inevitable loss of some cubs is

unacceptable," Mr. Snobelen said. "We have reviewed current practices and considered modifications, but none provide assurance that young bears and their mothers would be protected as they emerge from their dens in the spring."

He will now meet with the Northern Ontario Tourist Outfitters Association to discuss ways of assisting those who invested resources into this year's hunt.

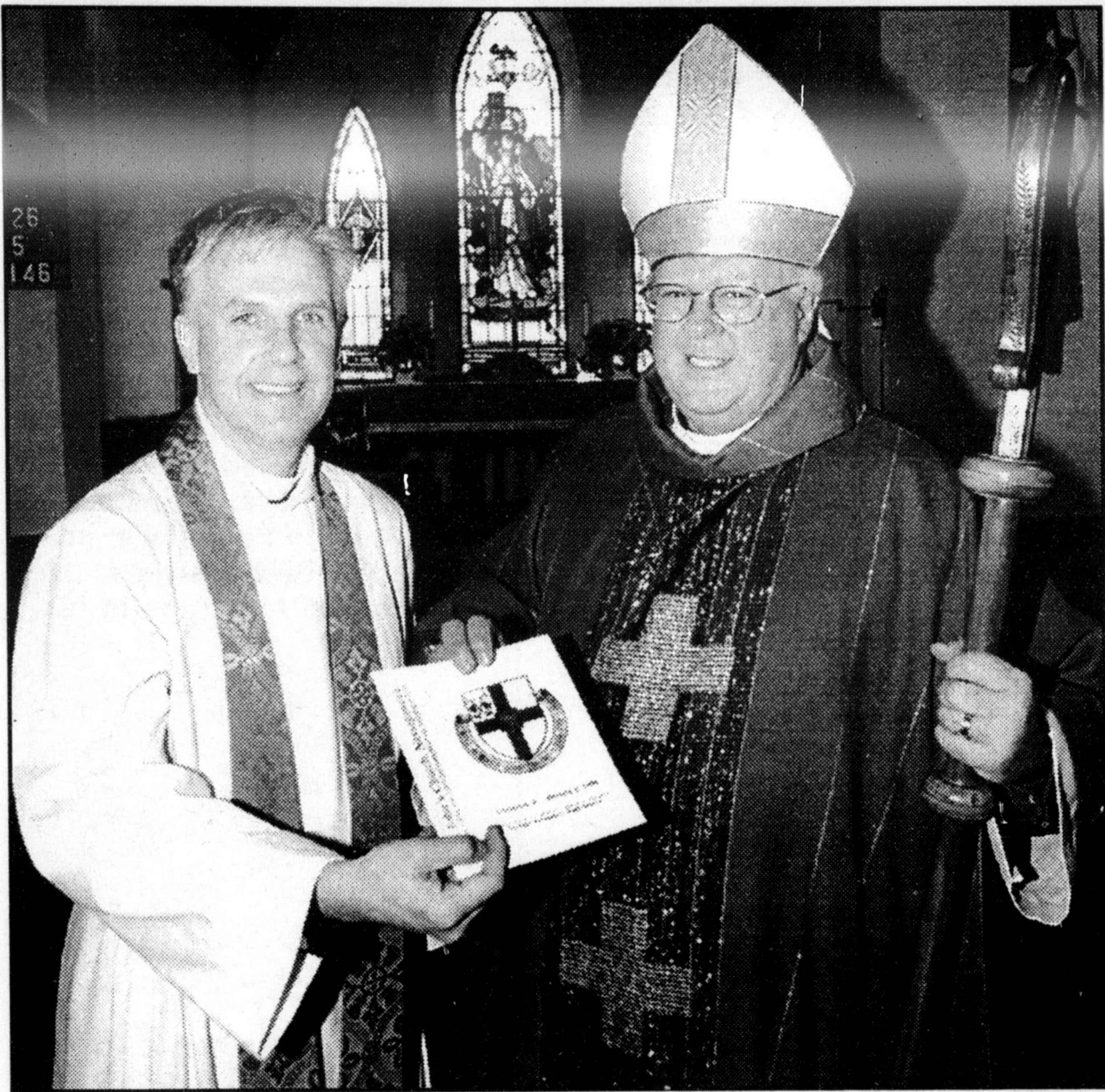


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St. John's Anglican Church Canon Charles Masters (left) and Bishop Ralph Spence celebrate Sunday's dedication of a Grant of Arms and Letter Patent.

## Historic church obtains grant of arms and letters

By KAREN SMITH

The Champion

The dedication of a Grant of Arms and Letters Patent marked the 155th anniversary of St. John's Anglican Church in Campbellville Sunday.

Officially unveiled at the special service, the Grant of Arms and Letters Patent consists of two engraved framed parchment documents, one containing the church's coat of arms — an armorial (heraldic) design and motto — and the other signed

by the governor general of Canada.

The coat of arms is made up of a white shield emblazoned with the Cross of St. George on a red square. The crest also depicts a golden eagle representing St. John on one corner and two crossed peace pipes at the top corner as a symbol of Nassagaweya's aboriginal background.

The motto, inscribed in black lettering on a golden scroll, was taken from the Book of Psalms. It reads: "I will always

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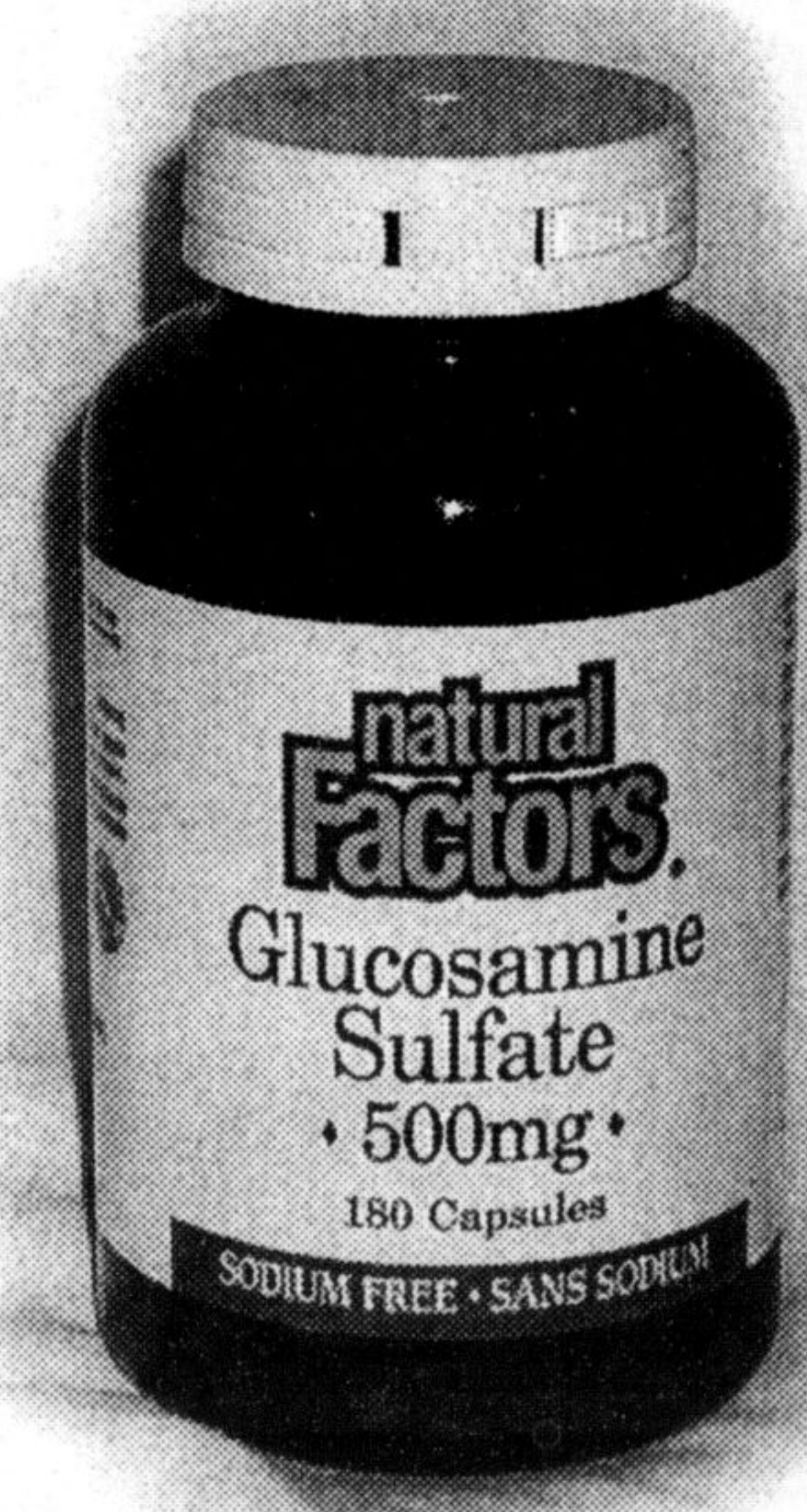
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