

to St. Patrick's, as well as other causes operated injuriously on the schools. This, we trust, shall be no longer the case.— In speaking of those schools we cannot help adverting to the fact that though very numerous signed Petitions were presented in their behalf to Parliament last year, not a single shilling was voted for their support. This is a prominent Catholic grievance, and no matter who may be in office, we shall never cease to complain until a remedy be applied.— The facts of the case are these.

St. Patrick's Church is in the midst of a populous and rapidly increasing District in which several hundred Catholic children of both sexes require an education at this moment.

Not one penny of the public money has been allocated for this purpose, whilst large sums are given to various Protestant schools with a comparatively small number of children.

The Catholics receive but one hundred pounds for their two large schools at St. Mary's.

And the Catholics amount to nearly one half the whole population of the city!

Surely this is uncommon justice for common schools!

As the Attorney General has lately paid such kind attention to Catholic affairs we beg leave to ask him whether he thinks this is fair play?

#### O'CONNELL.

There will be a High Mass at Dartmouth on Monday next at 10 o'clock, for the repose of the soul of the Liberator of Ireland.

The Tory Press of this city have crowned all their infamy by a low, scurrilous, and savage attack on the feelings of Catholics and Irishmen, in respect to the great O'Connell. The solemn obsequies at St. Mary's furnished the theme for the ribaldry and satirical jests at O'Connell and the priests. The object of the Mass according to the Tory scribe was *to get money*, and all the money made on the occasion was stolen out of the box at St. Mary's! This contemptible lie, and dastardly assault on the memory of the greatest man of modern times, are quite in keeping with the character of those ruffians. But it is all an election trick. The vagabonds are now in despair. They have given up all hopes of success at the approaching election by constitutional means. Hence the infuriated bullies are pouring out their filthy blackguardism now, in the hope that they may excite the Irish of Halifax to some deeds of violence which would further their own nefarious design. But the Irishmen of Halifax know them too well, to be duped by their vile artifices. We will be provokingly quiet; we will endure all insults with patience. We will afford the Tory gang no pretext for swindling the honest people of the Province out of their constitutional rights. The best proof we can give of this determination is, that we have suffered them this week to abuse with impunity him, who though now we trust in a better world, is still the glory of our country. His oft repeated maxim, 'He that commits a crime, gives strength to the enemy' will be practically remembered at the approaching election.

The paper which has thus insulted the memory of the illustrious dead, and the most solemn rites of our religion is the principal organ and defender of the Atty. General, and the Tory Candidates for this city and county. And will these men have the diabolical impudence to solicit any Catholic, much less any Irishman, for his vote at the approaching Election? We tell Mr Johnston and his colleagues in town and county, that they are playing a desperate game and that though we are patient now, the rascality of their hiring, vagabond press will be remembered to them as long as our hearts shall throb for Catholicity and Ireland!

Yes, we say, Catholics of Argyle, Yarmouth and Clare! Catholics of Annapolis, Cornwallis, Horton, and Windsor! Catholics of Liverpool, Lunenburg, and Chester! Catholics of Prospect,

Ketch Harbour, and Herring Cove! Catholics of Hammond's Plains, Chezzetooke, and the Eastern Harbours! Catholics of Cumberland and Colchester! Catholics of the noble counties of Pictou, Sydney, and Guysboro! Catholics of the Island of Cape Breton! we call upon you in the name of your calumniated religion, of your cruelly misrepresented doctrines, of your Holy Sacraments abused, and of the Adorable Sacrifice of your Altar turned into ridicule—we call upon you in the name of your insulted Bishops, and your persecuted Priests, to prevent by every constitutional means the return to power of our insolent and unscrupulous defamers. Oh! we solemnly conjure you, do not disgrace your religion; do not afford us cause to blush for your degeneracy by giving even *one vote* to any member of this vile, Anti-Catholic faction.

#### THE BIBLE MEETING IN ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH.

A Communication was sent us some time since, by one whose talents and zeal in the cause of Religion we sincerely respect. It related to the great Bible gathering which was held in one of the Presbyterian Churches pending the angry controversy of the Protestant Tory Press with this Journal. We declined its insertion for reasons which we explained to the writer at the time, and which still subsist in all their force. It is too bad, therefore, that he should still address us in terms of complaint, nay of reproach, insinuating motives which would be utterly unworthy of our character. We did not believe then, we do not believe now, nay, we can never believe that "Sir John Harvey went to that meeting in order to throw the weight of his high influence into the Anti-Catholic scale, and to insult the religious feelings of the Catholics of the Province." Though our angry correspondent is so positive on the subject, it is very possible that His Excellency the Governor knew nothing of any connection between the abusive columns of the Guardian, and the ranting brawlers of that Conventicle. A tall events, from his conduct towards the Catholics both in Ireland; New Brunswick, and Newfoundland, we cannot believe that His Excellency meant to give us any offence. He knows too well the duties and responsibilities of his high office, and that whilst he sincerely practices the ordinances of his own Church, he is bound to respect the conscientious opinions and feelings of all Her Majesty's loyal subjects, who are placed under his Government. If he has committed any mistake on the occasion alluded to, it must have been at most, an error of judgement, and notwithstanding the present; or any future taunts of our correspondent, we will continue to think so, until he furnishes us some stronger proofs than are contained in what we must call his very peevish Letter. The charge of Sir John's inclination to Toryism, we dispose of in the same manner. The proofs do not appear to us satisfactory, and moreover we believe His Excellency is too old a Soldier to commit himself so deeply with two thirds of the people of this Province whose chief representatives he will most likely, have soon to call to his councils. No; the Representative of our Gracious Sovereign in