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descent) are not rich. Some families are well able to educate their daughters. I beg of you to write me by the sixteenth of July or the first of August, so that I may be fully prepared to have everything ready. I suppose it would be better not to furnish the house until after the Nuns' arrival. If they have those things which are necessary for the celebration of the Mass, so much the better, they can bring with them in that respect as much as they please. Anything else can be had here as cheap as in Ireland.

I have the honour to remain, with every feeling of

respect and regard,

Madam.

Your most obedient and humble servant in J.C. + MICHAEL,

Bishop of Toronto.

Mrs. Ball, Superior, Loretto Abbey, Rathfarnham.

As the practical outcome of this petition—a Novice and four professed members—Mother Ignatia Hutchinson, Sr. M. Teresa Dease, Sr. M. Bonaventure Phelan, Sr. M. Gertrude Fleming and Sr. M. Valentina Hutchinson, left Rathfarnham Abbey for the far West on the 5th of August, 1847, under the care of Mother Ignatia Hutchinson, whom Mother Ball had appointed Superior of the little band of missionaries.