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God forbid that I should glory, save in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ; by whom the world is Crucified to me, and I to the world.—St. Paul, Gal. vi. 14.

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## CALENDAR.

- JULY 20—Sunday X. after Pentecost—St Jerome Imilian.  
 ... 21—Monday—St Alexius, Confessor.  
 ... 22—Tuesday—St Mary Magdalen, Penitent.  
 ... 23—Wednesday—St Apollinaris, Bishop and Martyr.  
 ... 24—Thursday—St Vincent of Paulo, Confessor.  
 ... 25—Friday—St James, Apostle.  
 ... 26—Saturday—St Anne, Mother of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

## ORIGINAL.

### ARRIVAL OF THE BISHOP.

The Catholics of Halifax had been eagerly watching the signal staff for some days, expecting to behold the intimation of the Britannia's approach. They were a little disappointed, on Thursday morning, to find a heavy fog settled over the harbour and the city. It was feared that the steamer should be obliged to stay outside until the weather would have cleared. However, as the *Hibernia* had entered noiselessly and successfully, during a similar fog, a watchful eye was directed towards the harbour during the morning. The people were not disappointed. At a past 12 o'clock, the noble pilgrim of the Atlantic presented her gigantic proportions, making her irresistible way towards her old station. Shortly the people were seen in hundreds making for the wharf. They looked with outstretched neck and eager eye, among the passengers: and after a brief period their repeated cheers announced their recognition of the Right Reverend Doctor Walsh. His Lordship stood on the promenade of the vessel, and repeatedly bowed to the enthusiastic people.

About a quarter before one o'clock, the Rev. R. B. O'Brien, Rev. Mr. Kennedy, Rev. Mr. Conolly, and Rev. Mr. Tracy, accompanied by a number of respectable gentlemen of the city waited on his Lordship, and were most affectionately and paternally received. The Bishop appeared in the best possible health and spirits, and delighted at his re-union with his Flock.

His Lordship and the Clergymen left the Steamer about half-past one, and was received upon the wharf with another hearty cheer again and again renewed. The People then went down upon their

knees and prayed and received the Right Revd. Prelate's blessing. His Lordship proceeded after considerable delay and with two of the Clergymen entered the Hon. E. Kenny's carriage. The immense concourse then proceeded towards the Church cheering and rejoicing as they went.

Arrived at St. Mary's His Lordship proceeded towards the Sanctuary and knelt at the foot of the Altar. The Church was soon crowded. All the Clergymen in the City, the Ecclesiastical Students of the College, and the Society of St. Aloysius (young Boys who attend at the Altar) entered the Sanctuary; and the Bishop intoned the 84th Psalm, "*Benedixisti*," &c, which was sung by His Lordship and the Clergy. The "*Laudate*" followed, which, having been concluded, His Lordship ascended the Altar wearing his Stole; and having called upon the Rev. Mr. Conolly to read the Papal Bull committing to His Lordship the Ecclesiastical jurisdiction of Halifax, &c, he sat down at the Gospel side of the Altar. The Rev. Gentleman just mentioned, then ascended the Altar and read the Document, after which the Bishop intoned the "*Te Deum*." The usual prayers concluded the interesting Ceremony.

In the evening about 9 o'clock, p. m., the Temperance Band accompanied by multitudes of people proceeded to His Lordship's residence, at the South end. They delighted the Pastor and the Flock, and did honour to both. We felt really proud of the Band. His Lordship came forth kindly on the platform and was received with acclamation. He addressed the People, thanking them for this unexpected manifestation of their love, and exhorted them to peace, charity, and christian oblivion of the past. He looked upon all as his Spiritual Children. All were equally precious in his eyes. He would not, by word, or action, or omission, voluntarily give any human being reason to suppose that he was any other than the common parent of his people. His Lordship concluded amid great cheering.

Thursday was a day of great happiness to many and many an anxious heart. It was a day pregnant with a mighty change in the religious and literary condition of the Catholics of this Province. We ourselves, like the Patriarch of old, have '*longed*' to see it—we have '*seen it and are glad*.' During a period of six years we have watched its dawning, and prayed for its light. Our first hope was