

that she is refused a hearing, and is simply ruled out of court. Her doctrines are systematically and persistently misrepresented and travestied, teachings are attributed to her which she loathes and abhors, and, in a word, she is so spit upon, disfigured and defiled with all manner of calumny, hatred and vituperation, that even honest, well-meaning people turn away from her in disgust, convinced that, instead of being what she claims to be, the Bride of Christ and the Mother of His children, she is fallen, corrupt and apostate.

"It is our duty to remove such obstacles as far as we may be able, from the pathway of the Church in this country: it is our duty to strive to enlighten ignorance, to correct misrepresentations, to expose calumnies and to bring the doctrines of the Church in all their native truth and beauty before the minds of honest enquirers. All this the publications of the Catholic Truth Society are admirably calculated to effect. I, therefore, earnestly wish your Toronto branch of this Society the greatest measure of success, and I pray God to bless and reward its friends and patrons.

JOHN WALSH,

Archbishop of Toronto."

Letters of like character were received from Most Rev. Archbishop Cleary of Kingston, and the Right Rev. Bishops Dowling of Hamilton, and O'Connor of Peterborough. Under these favorable auspices the Catholic Truth Society began the work which, despite occasional temporary periods of inaction, has continued practically uninterruptedly down to the present time.

The above circular was the first publication of the Catholic Truth Society of Canada. This was followed by Dr. O'Sullivan's "Essays on the Church in Canada", reprinted, with additions, from the "American Catholic Quarterly Review." During the course of the succeeding winter the Society threshed out a Constitution and By-laws, which were printed in a small booklet. In June, 1890, this was followed by a "List of Publications," an eight-page pamphlet, which was widely circulated. This,