

There are at present in Canada representatives of 27 Religious Orders of Priests.

The highest honor that Canada can confer was bestowed upon a Catholic, Sir John Thompson, when he was appointed First Minister in the Federal Cabinet and premier of all Canada. Many other Catholics are numbered among the Cabinet Ministers, the Members of the House of Commons and the Judges of our higher and lower courts. Hon. C. F. Fraser represented the Catholic element of Ontario in the Mowat Cabinet until his death in August, 1894, when he was succeeded by Hon. W. Harty of Kingston.

In Canada, Catholics are free to educate their children in their own schools except probably in the province of Manitoba, where the school question is yet unsettled, with good prospects of a favorable settlement for Catholics.

In writing of Catholic Canada our data have been few indeed and our statistics are open to correction, where unintentional mistakes may have occurred.

With the above account before us we can truly say that the Catholics of Canada have no reason to feel ashamed of their progress. The Church is steadily gaining ground, and year after year new families are being added to our already large population; month after month sees the completion of some new church or chapel. Catholic education is daily becoming more efficient. The only drawback is an insufficient supply of priests to fill the many fields of labor in Canadian missions, but the supply is becoming greater year after year. Long may our Bishops and missionaries live to spread the One, True, Holy and Apostolic Faith.

JOHN RYAN '97.

There's not a strain to Memory dear,
Nor flower in classic grove,
There's not a sweet note warbled here,
But minds us of Thy love.
O Lord, our Lord, and spoiler of our foes,
There is no light but Thine: with Thee all beauty glows.

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