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THE LATE MRS. W. A. LEE.

FROM a recent issue of the Ottawa *Free Press* is taken the following short biography of one of the contributors to this journal:

We have been requested to publish the following lines, written by a friend, in memory of the late Mrs. W. A. Lee, whose goodness and charity were so wide spread and heart-felt, and whose death has been heard with of very sincere sorrow and regret:—

IN MEMORIAM.

MRS. W. A. LEE, DIED APRIL 17, 1887.

Rev. Aeneas M'Donell Dawson, LL.D., F.R.S.C., was born at Redhaven, Scotland, on the 30th July, 1810. He had his early educational training and studied the Latin classics at a select school in his native place. He studied afterwards at Paris during the Pontificate of Archbishop Quelen, and at the same time as Bishop Gillis of Edinburgh, and Mgr. Dupanloup of Orleans. He was some time also at Douai in the Benedictine College, directed by the learned Bishop Collier, and studied a few months at St. Mary's College, Blairs, Aberdeen, under the direction of the late venerable and Rev. President Sharpe. He was ordained priest on the 2nd of April, 1835, and laboured for nearly twenty years in the Catholic missions of Edinburgh. Before coming to Canada in the fall of 1854, he preached for some time, with much acceptance, at St. George's Cathedral, Southwark, London. Until quite recently he was engaged in the missions of the diocese of Ottawa. Relieved from the more heavy labours of the ministry, he now officiates at the chapel of the Notre Dame congregation, Gloucester street, where a pretty numerous congregation assembles, particularly whilst parliament is in session. Dr. Dawson is well known at Ottawa as a preacher and a lecturer on variety of subjects. Mention may be seen of his numerous writings in prose and verse, in H. J. Morgan's *Bibliotheca Canadensis*, Lareau's *Canadian Literature* and the Honourable M. Chauveau's work on Education and Letters in Canada. He was appointed a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada at the time of its institution by the Marquis of Lorne when Governor-General of Canada, and honoured with the degree of LL.D., in consideration of his writings, by the Principal and Faculty of Queen's University, Kingston.

How beautiful a sight it is
To see a soul go home,
With full assurance that our Lord
Has whispered to it "Come."
"Come, y' blessed, come unto Me,
You who on earth have known
The promise that I gave to thee:
Come now, your work, is done.
"Your labour o'er, your mission felt,
Your time on earth has been
A springtime that has scattered seeds
That many yet shall glean;
A summer when those seeds came forth,
In richness pure and fair;
An autumn which thy priceless worth
Has decked with hues most rare.
"The poor and needy thou hast seen,
And answered to their cry,
And many whom thy succour felt
Will mourn that all must die;
Will weep to miss thy kindly hand,
To see thy smile no more,
But Come within a brighter land—
I've measured up your store.
"I've gather'd in each kindly word,
I've kept each act in view,
I've measured every thought that stirred
A heart that beat so true.
I sent a cross for thee to bear
And with it thou hast won
The crown I beckon thee to wear—
Come now, thy labour's done."

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We have received a number of the *Catholic Weekly Review*, a journal which has recently been started at Toronto. This paper is devoted to the defence of the interests of the Catholic Church in Canada, and has adopted as its motto, those words of our Blessed Lord which define so nicely the distinction which should be made between the religious and the civil order. *Redditis quæ sunt Cæsaris; Cæsari; et quæ sunt Dei Deo.* Mgr. Lynch, Archbishop of Toronto, has written a beautiful letter of felicitation and encouragement to the founders of the work. The num-

ber we have before us is well edited and printed. We wish a long life and prosperity to our new confrere.—*La Vérité*, Quebec.

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