

visited Rome twice recently. On both occasions he was present at the election of the Superior General of the Oblate Order.

Bishop Fallon is a preacher of rare ability. He speaks with all the ease and fluency of the natural orator.

Bishop Fallon is not only known to Canada and the United States, but his scathing denunciation of the Coronation Oath, some years ago, caused such a feeling in Canada that a resolution was introduced into the Canadian Parliament by the Hon. John Costigan to have the offensive clauses removed. The subject was then brought up in the Imperial Parliament. The London Tablet of that date had very flattering things to say of the Canadian priest who had re-opened the discussion.

On Monday morning, April 25th, Bishop Fallon was consecrated in the magnificent cathedral of St. Peter's, before the most distinguished gathering of church dignitaries, Catholic societies, and prominent Canadian laymen, in the history of London. There were present upwards of thirty archbishops and bishops; one hundred visiting priests from different parts of Canada and the United States; members of the various religious orders; seventy priests of the London diocese; representatives of the different Catholic societies, the Knights of Columbus, St. Vincent de Paul, and the C.M.B.A., besides a great number of the new Bishop's personal friends. One of the most interesting features of the ceremony, and certainly the most affecting, was the presence of the parents of the new Bishop and his six brothers. This incident is without parallel in the history of the Church in Canada. The huge church was taxed to its utmost capacity to accommodate the vast congregation that sought admission.

The ceremony of consecration was performed by Archbishop McEvoy, of Toronto, assisted by Bishop McDonald of Alexandria and Bishop Scollard of Sault Ste. Marie. Rev. Jas. P. Fallon, O.M.I., Ottawa, acted as deacon of the mass. The sermon was preached by Mgr. Shahan of Washington. At the first portifical vespers, in the evening, Rev. Geo. Nolan, O.M.I., of Lowell, Mass., was the preacher.

Aside from the actual consecration, there were many other interesting features, including addresses and presentations. The magnificent episcopal ring of heavy gold, set with diamonds, was the gift of Mr. M. P. Davis, of Ottawa. Personal friends of the Bishop, members of the Knights of Columbus of Ottawa, presented a purse of seven hundred dollars. Rev. Father Wm. Murphy, O.M.I., on behalf of Ottawa University, presented the