

(God bless her) in this Dominion, and that he and you and your family may together long enjoy every blessing in that exalted station, in which a gracious Providence has placed you.

MRS. L. M. BAYLIS, 1st Directress.
MRS. E. SCOTT, 2nd Directress.
MRS. AULT, Secretary.

Lady Dufferin made a gracious reply in a few words, and then visited the different wards. She manifested the most tender and motherly interest in the poor little ones, returning to some of the rooms several times and addressing kind words to the most forlorn. Her Excellency was evidently fatigued, and the labours of the visit were lightened as much as possible, but her amiable attention was lavished on all the inmates. One bright little babe presented her Ladyship with a fine

BOUQUET.

Mrs. Clunie, the matron, deserves the highest credit for her zeal and efficiency in the management of her delicate duties, and her staff of assistants are worthy of all praise for christian self-sacrifice. The Home will long remember the visit of Her Excellency, and we trust Lady Dufferin will retain a pleasant remembrance of her visit to the house of charity and the home of the fatherless and motherless.

St. Mary's College.

Yesterday afternoon, (January 23) at three o'clock, the Governor-General with Lieutenant Hamilton, A. D. C., visited the above-named institution, which is well known as one of the largest educational establishments in the city. The corridors were lined with students who gave his Excellency a ringing cheer as he passed along to the Library, where the ceremony of presenting an address took place. Here he was received by the Professors, on behalf of whom Father Lopinto presented the following address, which he read in the English language:—
May it please Your Excellency:

We, the Faculty of St. Mary's College, are truly grateful for the kind attention of Your Excellency in paying us a visit to-day. Others have very appropriately spoken of Your Excellency's great qualities as a writer, a traveller and a statesman, qualities which will ever make you cherished and respected by all who have the pleasure of treating with Your Excellency. But on this occasion, we desire, Your Excellency, to express our feelings of respect and gratitude for the amiable condescension which the chief representative of Her Gracious Majesty in the Dominion of Canada, has shown in visiting our establishment. This amiability has been shown on many occasions already by Your Excellency, and has contributed very much to strengthen that loyal feeling so universal in our country, for the person of our Gracious Majesty, Queen Victoria, who has so well known how to select in the person of Your Excellency, a fitting representative of that amiable Majesty, by which she has endeared herself to the hearts of her subjects, and become, if I may so speak, the idol of the nation.

This is not the first time St. Mary's College has had the high honour of a visit from Her Majesty's chief representative in Canada. In 1858, His Excellency Gen. Eyre, Commander-in-Chief of the troops, and Governor *ad interim* of the Canadas, deigned to be present at a college representation, given in his honour by the students. May we not hope that the time is not far distant when the present students of St. Mary's will likewise have the honour of representing one of their literary and dramatic entertainments in the presence of the most noble Earl

Dufferin our Excellent and popular Governor-General, and of his highly esteemed Lady, the noble Countess Dufferin, who has gained the sympathy and affection of all who have had the privilege of knowing her?

Your Excellency: though St. Mary's College is only a quarter of a century old, we are not new-comers in Canada. We look back with pride, I trust to those early pioneers of civilization in Canada, many of whom were brethren of our own community, and among these, twelve who won the martyr's crown by giving their lives in the great Christian work of civilizing the aborigines of la Nouvelle France. One of the first cares of these early pioneers, was the erection of a college in Quebec for the education of youth; a cause in which Your Excellency takes so deep an interest. The college then built, is still to be seen in Quebec.

We are delighted, Your Excellency, to continue to the best of our ability, the good work begun by our first Fathers in Quebec, and the kind visit of Your Excellency to-day, to our chief establishment in the Dominion over which Your Excellency so ably presides, will be a new incentive for us to labour for the weal of the country, and especially in the cause of education, *per vias rectas*, by right ways and means, as the honoured motto of Your Excellency so well reminds us.

Trusting that our now Dominion may long enjoy the presence of the noble Earl and Countess Dufferin,

We have the honour to be, &c., &c.,

His Excellency read the following

REPLY.

To the Rector and Faculty of St. Mary's College:—

Gentlemen,—It has afforded me great pleasure to come here to-day, and I thank you sincerely both on the part of Lady Dufferin and myself for the kind and flattering welcome you have given us. Individually I could not but feel greatly interested in your College, but far more so as the representative of Her Majesty am I glad to learn all that I can of the institution of so important a section of her subjects in this Dominion. And I well remember how much this country owes to the beneficent ministration of those Fathers, who in early times in spite of martyrdom and torture penetrated with unflinching bravery among the fierce tribes of the Northern part of this country, acquiring their language and spreading not only Christianity but also the arts of peace, and the benefits of medicine, until they succeeded in establishing a friendly feeling between the white man and the red, which afterwards fostered and developed by the Governments both of France and England now renders our relations with those nations so satisfactory.

In your endeavour to promote the education of the young, you will always find me ready to lend a helping hand, and should it be in my power at some future visit to Montreal, to spare more time than I now can, I shall be glad to be present at one of those dramatic entertainments for which your students are celebrated.

Several of the more prominent Jesuits were presented, after which the party proceeded through the institution to the

JESUIT CHURCH,

where His Excellency remained a few minutes admiring the handsome interior and the valuable paintings which adorn the walls.

The spacious Theatre was then visited. Here a large number of students assembled. They sang "God Save the Queen" with good effect. Two addresses were afterwards presented. The first, in French, translated as follows:—