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BISHOP WALSH IN THE HURON DISTRICT.

The county of Huron is one of the largest, wealthiest and most populous in the Province of Ontario.

At the extreme north there is Ashfield, of which the Rev. Father Beausang is pastor, then Wawanosh with the Rev. Father John O'Connor, Goderich, Rev. Father Watters; Seaforth, Rev. Father O'Shea; and Iriahtown, Very Rev. Dean Murphy.

On Tuesday, the 3rd inst., His Lordship left Stratford for Goderich. He was accompanied by the Rev. Dr. Kilroy, of Stratford, and Rev. Father Tiernan of London.

At the foot of your Lordship, we, with the full confidence of children in a good father, beg to inform you (knowing it will help to lift the cross from off your shoulders) of our spiritual welfare.

The June is here, the blushing month of flowers,
With roses garlanded and lilies crowned;

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That your fervid eloquence may long resound through your majestic cathedral, which is a living monument of your great zeal, is the united prayer of your Goderich people, who now crave your blessing, and signed on behalf of the congregation, B. L. Doyle, J. S. McDougall, E. Campion, P. O'Dea, Jas. Boyle, I. F. Cassidy, P. Carroll, B. McCormac, D. Curry.

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enabled to wage it successfully. High Mass commenced at 10.30, Rev. Father Tiernan acting as celebrant. After Mass His Lordship again spoke, dwelling this time very forcibly on the reciprocal duties of parents and children.

In the evening the Bishop, with his attendant clergy, drove at the invitation of his kind pastor to Wawanosh, where they spent the night. His Lordship complimented Father O'Connor on the many improvements made since he had last been there, especially the construction of a fine new presbytery and the renovation of the church.

At the close of the Bishop gave confirmation to seventy-five persons. A most pleasing incident followed, the children who had received confirmation approaching the altar railing, presented to His Lordship through one of their number, an address of kindest greeting and warmest affection.

After the address of the children Mr. Campion, barrister, presented the following from the lady of the parish:

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR LORDSHIP:— You have come to visit us in the discharge of your heavenly mission in this beautiful month of June, and our lovely town has put on its garb of beauty as if to join with us, your devoted and loyal people, in paying you that tribute of profound respect to which the distinguished author of "Thoughts on the Sacred Heart" is so eminently entitled.

The unwearied zeal and great administrative ability which you have shown in your truly apostolic career, the brilliant talent and extensive learning which have distinguished you as a preacher and writer, and the heroic disinterestedness and contempt for the things of this world which have uniformly marked your career, have all combined to render your character beloved and revered by all who know you, and by none more than your faithful people of this mission.

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On Sunday morning, the 5th, he administered Confirmation to no fewer than two hundred and fifty children in the parish church of that large and important mission. These children were well and carefully prepared. His Lordship spoke most easily and effectively on the subject of confirmation. He pointed out the necessity of the most careful preparation for the reception of so great a sacrament and very clearly laid down the obligations its reception entailed.

On Sunday evening His Lordship confirmed one hundred and twenty-eight persons, all of whom were found to have enjoyed the benefit of the most careful preparation at the hands of the zealous pastor, Rev. Father O'Shea. His Lordship again delivered one of his feeling and impressive discourses to the candidates for confirmation, and again urged them to guard their children.

IS THIS EQUALITY?

In an exchange we read, but without surprise, a paragraph informing us that although the people of Ireland are mostly Roman Catholic, those who rule Ireland are nearly all Protestants—

Yet it is a sad fact that whereas the population of Ireland is in the proportion of three to one in comparison with all Protestant bodies combined, Jews and Infidels thrown with them, the appointments to office have been made with the view of keeping alive the official if not political ascendancy of one sect, numbering little over half a million.

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THE ORANGE GRAND LODGE OF B. N. A.

Pray do not, reader, be startled. We will say it over again and say it slowly. The Orange Grand Lodge of British North America and the Royal Black Chapter of the Knights of Ireland, were last week in session in this city.

One special feature of the meeting was the almost total absence of Irish names from the list of delegates. And the Orange body claims, we believe, to be a great extent an Irish organization.

Of what constitution does the Grand Secretary speak? The constitution of the Orange body or the constitution of the Dominion? If he mean the latter we may tell him that all parties and all creeds support the fundamental principles of the constitution except the Orangemen themselves who have sought to ride rough shod over such trifling obstacles as acts of parliament and municipal charters.

WHAT THE LAND LEAGUE DID.

The Land League, in the days of its vigorous assertion of the right of the tenant to be delivered from the tyranny and injustice of landlordism, was condemned not only by Ireland's natural foes, but even by many unworthy sons of Ireland herself.

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The meetings of the Grand Lodge and the Black Chapter closed with a feed at the City Hotel at which there was a great deal of poor speaking, some cheering, not a little bad music and a slight display of Kentish fire.

RUSSIA AND THE PAPACY.

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ASSUMPTION COLLEGE.

On Thursday morning, the 10th inst., will take place the blessing of the bell purchased by the Alumni of Assumption College for the spirelet of that fine institution. The ceremony of the blessing of the bell, which will take place at the college at 10 a. m., will be preceded by an ordination to be held the same morning at seven.

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BELGIAN RADICALISM.

The radicalism that no longer in Belgium owes much of its influence to Catholic apathy. The radicals for a fraction of the total but by dint of aggressive power of organization the taining control of the ch of course, of the nation. There are no more earnest world than the Belgian other peoples of continent a limited perception of a constitutional government, or no regard for its forms. These population taining reverence for a str of government, knowi many changes of admini tutional system is su With this reverence for taste for the exercise conferred on them by th surprising that the Bel the victims of radical m are thoroughly organiz secret associations, of wh of influence are memb their trusted agents, no large centres of populati in every town and vill propagating their views not openly, under subt and grosslest hypocrisy. radicals, enemies of the oughly organized, and b and complete, even if tion, have succeeded in predominance in Belgiu body, on the other ha well organized, but in wofully behind the radi system, combination a forces. We have often now declare, that what gium, in France, in Ita on the continent, is th tion of the Catholic be given to the foundatio associations, to the of political organization associations are excell their purposes and their olics do well to sustain not be persuaded that associations they do the face of such bitter, ag less foes as menace the at this moment. Som quired. Political orga tion of forces, selectio and the incalculation a of discipline in the r want which, until sup Catholic majorities at principled minorities. of Belgium the masses profoundly and earne the large towns there a tinged with Liberal views, and not a few in communists and infid are not as one to ten of that kingdom, given the latter are once pro The atheistic govern has followed up its question of education, effects are too well kn obliging students for perform military servi the government has des ment of a fund destine tutes for students calla tical life. The creat should be followed up in the way of organ electorate and bindin to cast his ballot agi didates who give not of voting for the repe measure. Catholic Be bear itself. The country is now in the to the dictates of sec in disseminating the L'Etudiant, a journa circulation in the libe that the atheist was rare, and made no stit with a simple expre on the least effort at times have since cha in a fat way to acc evolution. Atheism University. It is par tial of sciences and special schools, that professors and pupi professing its theori journal, out of five students in Belgium olie University to there are two thousa closes by showing this deplorable sta must result in the tenets throughout th alarming degree. It is now quite faction in Belgium, efforts to pervert th have set their heart many education of they would, if they in the cradle, to him up in hatred. But we have hop noble Catholic lan devoted and relig