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Notes.

The Bazaar in aid of the new church of St. Paul's opens on Monday next, the 18th inst., in the premises lately occupied by Messrs. Hughes Bros., on the corner of Yonge and Melinda Streets, in this city. We commend it again to the patronage of our readers. The building will be lit by electricity, and a band will be in attendance each evening. Luncheon will be served daily between the hours of 12 o'clock and 2.

Last week we had the pleasure of presenting to the Review's readers the tolerant and enlightened utterances delivered by Principal Grant at the Caledonian celebration a few days ago. This week it is our privilege to draw attention to the generous and Christian-like utterances of two other Protestant clergymen upon the relations which should exist between men of good will, of whatever creed, in our young Dominion, and upon the unwisdom of the agitation which disturbs the hour.

↘ The first of the deliverances to which we refer is that which was contained in the Thanksgiving Day sermon of the Rev. Mr. Herridge of Ottawa, which, as was appropriate to the circumstances of the hour, took a national and politico-religious tone. The attitude of some Protestants to the Roman Catholics, Mr. Herridge declared to be ill judged. His own attitude on the question, when sometime ago he had ventured to offer an opinion, had been maliciously misrepresented. The political machinations of a few could come to naught. It was to be remembered that we can evangelize only by love not by hate or fear. The gentleness of Christianity was, he said, the best weapon of Protestantism. Mr. Herridge also referred to the foul fellow, Fulton, who lately visited Ottawa, an alien strife-raiser, he said, who cracked vulgar jests at her whom Protestants and Catholics alike revere. He believed in leaving religious differences, he said, with God.

The reverend gentleman addressed a large congregation, which included many people prominent in the public life of the country. Sir John and Lady Macdonald were among his hearers, and his earnest words created, it is said, a great impression.

↘ More pronounced than the Rev. Mr. Herridge's repudiation of the programme of fanaticism were the words of the Rev. Mr. Carson, pastor of the Queen St. Methodist Church in

Kingston, delivered at the close of the Crossley-Hunter revival services recently held in that city. The words of the reverend gentleman created a sensation. He belonged, he said to the Holy Catholic Church. He lived in communion with the saints. He had received forgiveness of sins. He had, through Christ, the hope of life everlasting. After all, there was much they could learn profitably from the great Roman Catholic Church. If they wanted missionaries to undertake difficult fields they could present no more devoted men than the seraphic Jesuits, often condemned in these days. If smallpox broke out in a city they would want some one to care for those patients in hospitals. They would have had better experience than he had in Ottawa if they did not ask the assistance of the Sisters of Charity, who were possessed of a spirit of love as immaculate as the mother of the Nazarene; who, with their lives in their hands, will imperil themselves in waiting upon the afflicted. If they wanted a shaft to pierce into this world's lazaretos they would have to go for a Father Damien. If they wanted to learn absolute respect for authority this lesson will be spelled out for them in places like the Roman Catholic churches. He revered her altars. He read her history with inspiration. Some of her priests were amongst his most loved personal friends. He took it as the greatest favour they could confer upon him to ask him to represent the Roman Catholic Church. If he had doubts of apostolic succession in the Anglican Church, he had no doubt of that the Roman Catholic Church. He asserted there was no religious denomination with broader or more minute theology than the Roman Catholic Church.

It was worth while in us to endure some little abuse and obloquy if only to bring out such generous and noble expressions as are these.

Preparations are in progress for the fitting reception of His Grace the Archbishop elect of Toronto on his arrival in this city. As has already been announced Archbishop Walsh will arrive on the evening of the 27th, and the details of his reception, it is intended, will be of a simple but dignified character. His Grace will be met at the station and escorted to the Cathedral, where, after the ceremony of installation is concluded, he will be presented with two addresses, one from the clergy of the archdiocese, and one from the citizens generally. The several religious and benevolent societies who may desire to present their congratulations to the Archbishop will have an opportunity of doing so a day or two later. Archbishop Walsh has been in Baltimore during the week past attending the Centenary ceremonies.

Canada was well represented at the Centenary and the Congress by the Cardinal Archbishop of Quebec, Mr. Mercier, and the several archbishops and bishops. Mr. Mercier was received with much enthusiasm by the Congress, and his address has been widely commented on. The Congress was one of the American party only, and those Canadians who attended it were present only as visitors. None the less they were accorded a conspicuous and a distinguished place in all the exercises and ceremonies. That the next Congress is to be not an American, but an International, one, is a felicitous testimony to the influence of their presence.