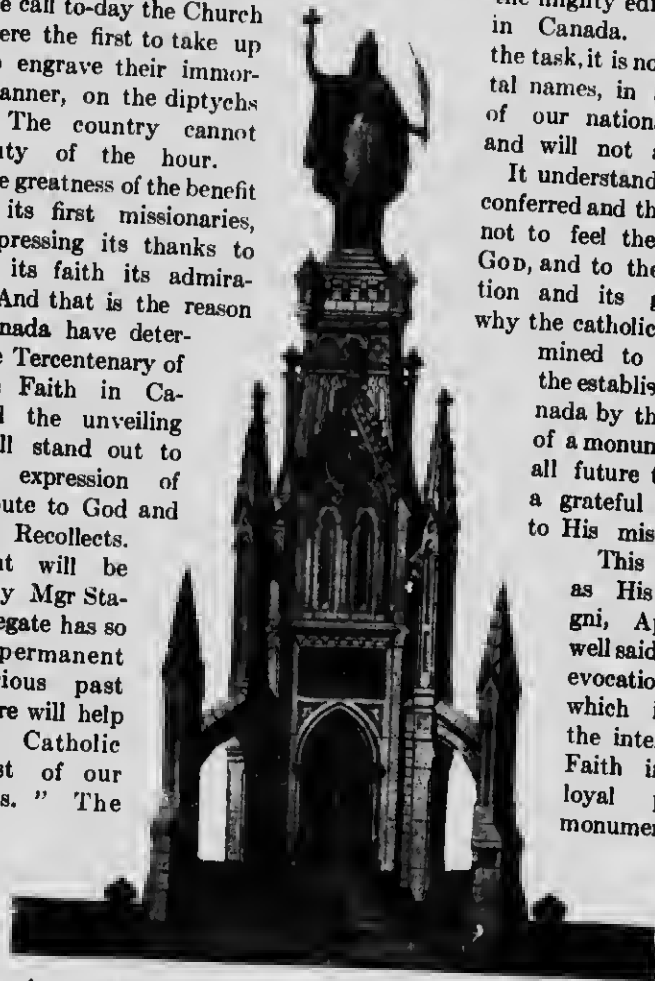


Yes, certainly, it is our solemn duty, in this Third Centenary, to remember those valiant apostles, those workmen chosen by Divine Providence, those Friars who in 1615, at the cost of painful and un-seen toil lay the foundations of we call to-day the Church were the first to take up to engrave their immortal names, in an official manner, on the diptychs of our national glories. The country cannot and will not avoid the duty of the hour.

It understands too well the greatness of the benefit conferred and the heroism of its first missionaries, not to feel the need of God, and to the pioneers expressing its thanks to God, and to the pioneers of its faith its admiration and its gratitude.

And that is the reason why the catholic people of Canada have determined to signalize the Tercentenary of the Faith in Canada by the raising of a monument that shall stand out to the expression of all future times as a tribute to God and the Recollects. a grateful people's to His missionaries ment will be lency Mgr St-Delegate has so a permanent glorious past future will help the Catholic midst of our tions. " The

This Monument as His Excellency, Apostolic Delegate well said : " like evocation of a which in the the interests of Faith in the loyal population monument will



speak of the charity of the Church which watched over the cradle of the " noble Canadian Nation " and which does not cease to protect it in its happy development through the ages. "