

kindred nation, for which they all felt great regard, should have been attracted to a Canadian institution. With respect to one of the distinctive features of the school, His Excellency congratulated the assemblage on the admirable order and neatness everywhere observable; the happy faces before him also bearing testimony to the care and kindness with which the pupils were treated. Alluding to the religious training, Lord Dufferin said that while we should all feel the utmost charity and good-will to those who sincerely differed from us, we should steadfastly hold and maintain what we believed to be the truth; and as a member of the Episcopal Communion, he rejoiced to see so flourishing an institution, where the principles in which he believed were inculcated from earliest youth, and he had no doubt that the seed thus sown would continue to bear good fruit through successive generations, and prove a very great blessing to the whole community. His Excellency concluded his impressive and kindly address by requesting, amid the smiles and scarcely suppressed plaudits of the scholars, that a holiday be granted by the Lady Principal.

10. A VISIT TO ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE AND ST. JOSEPH'S.

On the 21st. ult. the vice-regal party drove to St. Michael's College, which was gay with evergreens, flags, and devices. The Union Jack floated over the gate and principal entrance to the college; over the eastern door was a green flag, and from another portion of the building the Stars and Stripes was suspended. The steps leading to the centre door were spanned by an arch of evergreens, bearing the words, "Welcome to St. Michael's," surmounting which was the legend, "*Per vias rectas*." The students of the college were assembled in front of the building, forming a line on each side of the carriage drive. The band of St. Michael's was stationed near the door, one of their number carrying a handsome green velvet banner, with St. Michael on one side, and on the other a harp and the words, "Philharmonic Society of St. Michael's," in gold. On their Excellencies' arrival at the College, the band played the National Anthem, and all present joined in hearty cheers. They were immediately conducted into a room adjoining the entrance, when His Grace, the Archbishop, introduced to the Governor-General the Very Rev. the Superior, who, in turn, presented the following members of the College Faculty: Rev. Fathers Frachon, Chalandard, Walsh, Mulcahy, Murray, Morrow, Brennan, and Ryan; Messrs. Gorman, Grand, Fitzgerald, Guinane, Moffitt, and Bradley; and Drs. Philbrick and Cassidy, medical advisers to the College. Archbishop Lynch presented the Very Rev. Vicar-General Jamot, Very Rev. Dean Proulx, Ven. Archdeacon Northgraves, Rev. Fathers Laurent and Lawlor, Messrs. Robertson, Foy, Murray, and Warmoll. Lord and Lady Dufferin were then led to the study hall, which was appropriately decorated for the occasion. A carpeted dais occupied the east end of the room, and contained chairs for their Excellencies, who were supported on one hand by the Archbishop and on the other by Vicar-General Jamot. On the entrance of the procession, the band struck up "The Harp that once through Tara's Halls." Their Excellencies being seated, the Very Rev. the Superior advanced to the foot of the dais, and read the following address:—

"May it please your Excellency,

"We the Superior, Professors, and Students of St. Michael's College, beg leave to present ourselves before your Excellency to offer a hearty and dutiful welcome to your Excellency and to the Countess of Dufferin, on the occasion of this distinguished visit to our house. Your Excellency will be glad to learn that St. Michael's College is, despite many adverse circumstances, happily carrying into effect the object of its establishment in the Dominion. It has prepared, wholly or in part, many able and zealous priests to minister to the spiritual necessities of the members of our communion; it has sent from its halls into the learned professions gentlemen to whose standing in their respective spheres it points with a feeling of proud satisfaction; and it has distributed among the other walks of life citizens whose loyal regard to the best interests of our country encourages us to indulge the hope that the usefulness of our institution may daily become more and more extended, and its influence for good keep pace with the growth of our rising country.

"We rejoice that, through Your Excellency's condescension, we are to-day enabled to give voice, in the presence of Her Majesty's representative, to our unflinching devotion to our Queen and country; and we gladly take advantage of this auspicious moment to signify our respectful deference to Your Excellency, and the noble lady who so gracefully shares with Your Excellency the honours of the vice-regal throne.

"(Signed) C. VINCENT,
"Superior.

"TORONTO, Oct. 21st, 1872."

His Excellency, in reply, said it gave him the greatest pleasure to have the opportunity of paying this visit. He was well aware of the excellent work which they were prosecuting, and of the success which had attended their labours. Connected, as he was, with a country which annually sent forth from its shores thousands of Catholic emigrants to this country, it was a matter of very great satisfaction to him to think that there was, in one of the principal localities to which they naturally resorted, an institution which not only provided a means of instruction for their children, but furnished forth those ministers of religion, upon whose beneficent operations so much of their spiritual as well as their temporal happiness depended. (Applause.) As the representative of Her Most Gracious Majesty, he received with thanks those expressions of loyalty which they had addressed to her throne and her person, and he felt that he could not do any official act which would be more consonant to Her Majesty's own feelings, or more in accordance with those high duties she had been called by God's Providence to perform, than when he testified in her behalf to the interest which she took in everything which concerned the welfare of her Catholic subjects. (Applause.) Happily, in this country, those religious animosities, to which from his infancy he had been accustomed in his own, seemed to have been considerably assuaged, and, in every city of the Dominion through which he had passed, he had met fresh instances of the harmony and the liberality of sentiment which all the religious denominations of Canada maintained towards each other, and the common feeling of loyalty by which they were bound to the Throne. He thanked them on behalf of Lady Dufferin, for the kind way in which they had included her in the welcome they had extended to himself. (Applause.) In return, he wished that they might enjoy every prosperity, and that the sphere of their labours might be continually increased. (Loud applause.)

Archbishop Lynch then made a few remarks. He observed that the motto of the Governor-General should be the motto of every good and honourable boy in that College, and pointed out that the words which composed it—"Per vias rectas," were to be found in one of the antiphons of the Church. He requested His Excellency to be kind enough to grant the boys a holiday, and to allow them as a memorial of his visit, to place His Excellency's shield and motto over the gates of the building.

Lord Dufferin said that, encouraged by the words of His Grace the Archbishop, he had great pleasure in asking the authorities of the College to grant the boys a holiday. He esteemed it as a peculiar compliment, not only to himself, but also to the remote ancestor who originally adopted the motto to which His Grace had referred, that they should desire to place that legend above their gates. He was certain that, if the boys, following the advice of the Archbishop, would allow that principle to direct their life, they would never have cause to regret it, either here or hereafter. (Applause.)

His Excellency then conversed with some of the boys, a large number of whom came from the United States; and after hearty cheers had been given for the Queen, the Governor-General and Lady Dufferin, the vice-regal party left the hall. As they drove off enthusiastic cheers were raised by all assembled. The next visit was paid to St. Joseph's Home, a charming building. At the door their Excellencies, who were still accompanied by the Archbishop and Father Jamot, were received by the Rev. Mother Bernard, and the sisters of St. Joseph, who were presented to them by His Grace. After some minutes passed in conversation in one of the prettily arranged rooms of the Home, Lord and Lady Dufferin were conducted into a large parlour, where the pupils of the sisters were assembled. A large number of the young ladies, who looked charming in their white dresses, were ranged in a triple row down one side of the room, others sat with the Sisters at the farther end, where several of the junior pupils were conspicuous in blue dresses. The walls were tastefully decorated with English and Irish flags, and with others bearing the inscriptions "Long Live Lord Dufferin," "Long live Lady Dufferin," "Erin Go Bragh," "October 21st, 1872," &c. Facing the door were the words, "Welcome, Lord Dufferin;" with His Excellency's motto—"Per vias rectas." As their Excellencies entered the whole of the pupils rose, and with a pianoforte accompaniment, sang the following hymn of welcome:—

"Hail to Lord Dufferin,
Hibernia's noble son,
A thousand, thousand welcomes
To our dear St. Joseph's Home.

"Our prayers we'll daily offer
To our Heavenly Father's Throne,
That all the gifts of joy and peace
May round his path be strewn.