

of charity and forbearance too far. He then read the following resolution:—

3. *Resolved*, That the gross and defamatory passage contained in the communication of a 'Catholic Teetotaler' published in the Nova Scotian which asserts that 'His Lordship has lowered himself in the eyes of this community, and lost their confidence' and attributes to him 'a spirit of persecution, is false and scandalous, as the mild christian, and conciliatory demeanour of his Lordship have ever testified.

Mr. James C. Tobin introduced the fourth resolution with some very spirited remarks.

4. *Resolved*, That this meeting sincerely and unfeignedly sympathise with his Lordship in the unmerited indignities of which he has been made the object by persons professing to be Catholics, and that we tender to his Lordship the assurance of our warm, fervid and devoted attachment to his authority and person.

Mr. Peter Furlong proposed the fifth resolution.

5. *Resolved*, That a copy of the above resolutions be presented to his lordship with an address fully expressive of the sense we entertain of the difficulties and embarrassments to which his Lordship has been subjected, since his arrival in this Province, while endeavouring to fulfil the wishes and designs of the Holy See in his appointment and of our entire confidence and reliance on his zeal, vigilance, and conciliatory spirit, in the execution of the duty entrusted to him.

L. O'C. Doyle, Esq then read the following address—and it was unanimously adopted by the meeting:—

Mr Lord,

We, the Catholics of Saint Mary's, beg leave to tender to your Lordship this unfeigned tribute of our esteem and respect for your Lordship's Person and character.

We were prevented on your—Lordships arrival from publicly expressing our sense of the deep exultation we felt in your appointment, by the signification of your Lordships reluctance to receive any such public testimony of our feeling, and we have now to announce our regret that the first opportunity afforded us of thus publicly conveying our feelings to your Lordship, should be in the form of sympathy with your Lordship at the unmerited indignities to which you have been subjected. That your Lordship was prepared to meet embarrassments and difficulties we are fully aware, by the threats of such obstruction from some, who should be

last so to act,—indecorously transmitted to your Lordship when at the requisition of His Holiness you were preparing to leave a home—endeared to you by the confidence and affections of our Fellow Countrymen in Ireland, but we had hoped that calm consideration, and a regard for sacred interests, would, on your Lordships arrival, have checked and repressed this spirit in the realization of its menaces.

You my Lord as well as ourselves have been disappointed in this Hope, and we now at the distance of a year from the date of your Lordship's landing, thus feel ourselves under the necessity of seeking through the Public Press—a course naturally repugnant to the feelings of every Catholic—the means of your Lordships vindication from the consequences and results of a design, which to you though then a consecrated Prelate of our Church was daringly made known.

My Lord, we have endeavoured to convey in the resolutions which accompany this address, our deep and unfeigned indignation at the dark and disparaging imputations attempted to be cast upon your Lordships character confident in our opinions as there expressed, we can safely assert we enjoy the general sympathy and concurrence of this community and though we feel that to your Lordship any such testimony must be valueless in comparison with the approval of your Lordships conscience yet we should feel deficient in an imperative duty if we omitted this attestation.

My Lord, we long bore in silence and without any effort at public vindication a series of insults and suffering such as few other communities would under similar circumstances have endured with patience and though the feelings of our Families and our own were constantly insulted and violated, and the ashes of the Dead disturbed on almost each succeeding Sabbath to—jurnish contumelious reproches against the living. Though every form of invective however reproachful was constantly put in requisition and addressed from the altar and Pulpit to harass and wound our friends and ourselves while kneeling within the sanctuary of