

which, has been triumph. The Roman Historian had said the glory of ancestry was a light to their posterity revealing their degeneracy as well as brightening their virtue. The greatest difficulty of the young missionary would be to be worthy of his Irish descent, and his greatest glory an effort to equal it. In your heart of hearts—in your soul of souls—in your being's depth of depths, cherish the pride of your Irish lineage and resolve to be like your great Fathers in the Faith. Thus shall you render your life good and glorious, and your name such as the illustrious and holy only die. Yours shall be a zeal without tiring—a virtue without shade—an independence that never bows to mean expediency—and a sincerity that disdains the mean subterfuges of deceit. You shall live as your Fathers lived—die as your Fathers died—and the hearts of the people whom you loved shall embalm your memory as it has that of your ancestors—"forever." We regret that we cannot give a report of the Discourse as it might be productive of some good. Rev'd. Mr. O'Brien does not speak from notes—and no Reporter was present.

After the sermon the Right Rev. Dr. Walsh ascended the Altar, and having alluded to the ceremonies of the day, and in a complimentary manner, to the discourse of the Rev. Mr. O'Brien, proceeded to pronounce that he was about to give the Pope's benediction. He spoke in glowing terms of the Holy Father's solicitude for the universal church, and his kindly feeling towards the Church of Halifax. He impressed deeply upon the minds of the Flock the immense obligations under which they were to the Father of the Faithful for all his kindness, and called on them to offer their most fervent prayers to God, for his Holiness's well-being spiritual and temporal. The Right Rev. Prelate then imparted the Benediction with all the customary solemnity.

Thus ended a day remarkable for the improved state of the Holy Church in Halifax, and we hope abundant in the graces which God has poured upon his faithful people. No people deserve more—and none have been more blessed in the facilities for spiritual advancement. May nothing ever interrupt the sweet reign of grace and charity which has now commenced.

#### OBITUARY.

We learn by the Irish Papers that Mrs. Walsh, the Mother of our esteemed and pious Prelate, departed this life on the 22nd of June, just large days after his Lordship's departure. If any thing could soften the pang of bereavement attending such a loss, it would be the many graces which shone around her death bed and crowned her departure as a safe passage from Earth to Heaven. The attention of the Clergyman was unintermitting. Over thirty Priests stood round her remains, which were brought into the great church in Waterford; and the concurrence of people which followed her to the tomb, showed the social impression which a long and actively religious life had made.—R. I. P.

#### ORDINATION SERVICE.

[Concluded from our last.]

ing divine judgment, and the highest reason, are able, their lives we duly esteem. But Thee, O Lord, what things are to us unknown, do not escape, Thee, hidden things do not deceive. Thou art the Knower of secrets, the Searcher of hearts. Thou canst examine their lives with heavenly judgment, in which Thou always excellest. Thou canst cleanse their faults, and grant them to perform what things it becometh them to accomplish.

Here the Bishop alone stretching out his hand places it on the head of each of them who are to be ordained: and no one else with him: because they are not consecrated for the Priesthood, but for the Ministry, saying to each,

Receive the Holy Ghost, for strength, and for resisting the devil, and his temptations: In the name of the Lord.

Then he proceeds in his first tone of voice to the end of the Preface, holding his hand stretched out,

Send forth, on them, we beseech Thee, Lord, the Holy Ghost, by Whom, for the work of faithfully performing Thy ministry, may they be strengthened with the gift of Thy sevenfold grace. May the form of all virtue abound in them, modest authority, constant chasteness, the fruits of innocence, and the observance of spiritual discipline. In their manners may Thy precepts shine, that by the example of their chastity the people may learn to imitate them, and bearing before them the testimony of a good conscience, may they persevere firm and stable in Christ, and may they deserve through Thy grace to obtain higher things by worthy progress in gradual succession from the lower degree.

What follows, he says in a lower tone, so that, however, it may be heard by those who stand around him:

Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, Thy Son: Who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end. R. Amen.

After this, the Bishop sitting with his mitre, places on each of those to be ordained, while they kneel before him, the Stole which they have in their hands; he places it on them on the left shoulder successively, saying to each of them,

Receive the white stole from the hand of God, fulfil thy ministry; for God is powerful to increase in Thee His grace; Who liveth and reigneth, world without end. R. Amen.

Whilst he makes on each of them the sign of the Cross, the assistants turn back the ends of the Stole, and tie them under the right arm.

After this, the Bishop taking the Dalmatic, he puts it on each of them, saying,

May the Lord clothe thee with this garment of salvation and the vestment of gladness, and may he always encompass thee with the Dalmatic of justice. R. Amen.

Lastly, the Bishop takes and gives to all the book of Gospels, which they touch with their right hands, whilst he says,

Receive, the power of reading the Gospel in the Church of God, as well for the living as for the dead in the name of the Lord. R. Amen.

Which done, the Bishop, standing, turned towards the Altar without his mitre, says,

Let us pray.