

## IN THE CHAPEL.



OF the many ceremonies attendant upon the inauguration of the University and the unveiling of the statue of Father Tabaret, there was none which, for grandeur and impressiveness, approached the services held in the University Chapel on Thursday morning. Shortly after ten o'clock, the assembled dignitaries of the church proceeded from the Community Hall to the place of worship, where Pontifical High Mass was celebrated by His Lordship, Bishop Lorrain of Pembroke, assisted by Vicar-General Laurent, of Toronto, as Deacon of Honor, and Messrs. Garon and Dunn, as deacon and sub-deacon respectively. It was indeed an imposing spectacle. The Cardinal in his scarlet robes, the Archbishop and Bishops in their purple capes and cassocks, the ermined Doctors of Divinity, the Masters and Bachelors of Arts in their distinctive red and white trimmed

gowns, the chapel sanctuary, simply but richly decorated: all these presented to the eye a scene not only memorable in the annals of Ottawa College, but also memorable in the history of Catholic Education in this country. A Prince of the Church, Archbishops and Bishops, Priests and laity were assembled to honor the great deeds of a great man. Let history record whether Father Tabaret deserved these tributes of loving praise. Immediately upon the conclusion of the first gospel, Bishop Rogers, of Chatham, N.B., ascended the altar steps and delivered a very interesting and instructive sermon, dwelling at considerable length, upon the marvellous progress that Canada had made within the last few decades, pointing out in a clear and eloquent manner, the position of the Church in this country at the present time and urging upon his hearers the necessity of living up to their obligations as Christians and Catholics. We subjoin a verbatim report of his sermon.

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*Hæc est dies quam fecit Dominus, exultemus et lætemur in ea. This is a day which the Lord has made, let us exult and rejoice therein.—Ps. 117.*

MOST EMINENT LORD CARDINAL, MY LORDS, ARCHBISHOPS AND BISHOPS, VENERABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE CLERGY, AND DEARLY BELOVED BRETHREN OF THE LAITY.



IT is in accordance with man's better nature and God's holy will, that, at certain joyous periods and events in life, we pause and step aside from the ordinary routine in order to let our hearts expand in grateful enjoyment of special benedictions and in fraternal union and interchange of mutual gratulations, to thank the great Giver of every best gift for the favors which form the subject of our joy. This is true not only of individuals, but of families and communities,

of cities and states, of dioceses and institutions.

The present occasion of joyous and grateful expansion of heart which brings us together, at the kind invitation of the illustrious Archbishop of this Capital City of the vast Dominion of Canada, is certainly one worthy of such a meeting. We see the protecting and guiding hand of Providence in the concomitant progress both of national secular growth, and the growth of Religious and Educational Institutions necessary for the social welfare of the constantly increasing population.

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