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THE Church in Canada has suffered a great loss in the death of the Most Rev. John Joseph Lynch, Archbishop of Toronto. In his early days, Archbishop Lynch was engaged in missionary work in Missouri and other Western States, but it is with his work in Ontario that his name will ever remain associated. It was he who won the separate schools for the Catholics of this province, and this alone would be sufficient to cause his memory to be honored. Niagara University, which was founded by Dr. Lynch, will mourn in him its warmest and most powerful friend.

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A correspondent the St. John, N.B., *Messenger and Visitor*, presumably a Presbyterian journal, has some very severe strictures on the conduct of the students of Dalhousie College, at their late convocation. The *Presbyterian Witness*, commenting on this, admits the impropriety of the students' conduct, but endeavors to palliate it by saying that it is but a mild imitation of what occurs at Edinburgh and other universities in the old country. This is but a lame defence. If such actions as blowing fish-horns and playing hand-organs during the intervals in the proceedings of a university convocation are improper in themselves, they should not be performed; and, if necessary, the authorities of the universities should prohibit them. If Edinburgh students indulge in rowdiness on an occasion when they are the hosts, and the public their guests, so much the worse for the reputa-

tion of Edinburgh. The example is surely not, on that account, worthy of imitation. This practice of introducing into this country English or Continental customs, simply because they are such, is one to be frowned down severely. If not, we had better bring over some others—as for instance the periodical battles between “gown and town,” as performed with great success at Oxford, and the rather obsolete but none the less amusing and gentlemanly practice of duelling, so much in vogue at Heidelberg. We have no desire to infringe the just liberties of students who, by common consent, are allowed “the freedom of the town,” but there are certain boundaries which should not be passed, and a student should never, because he is a student, cease to be a gentleman.

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LAVAL UNIVERSITY this year confers the Degree of Doctor of Laws on George Stewart, jr., editor of the Quebec *Morning Chronicle*. Mr. Stewart is one of the best known of Canadian literati, and one of the chosen few who form the Royal Society of Canada.

THE African Seminary at Louvain, which is under the direction of Dr. Forget, Professor of Arabic at the University, is about to send four missionary priests to Kivamouth, a healthy region suited to the enterprise.

REV. JOSEPH FELTON, D.D., for several years Professor at Ushaw College, England, and esteemed in Germany as a church historian, has been nominated Professor of New Testament Exegesis in the University of Bonn. This is the sixth Catholic chair at this University.