

sight-seeing parties with pardonable pride as the house *where Monseigneur Bourget was born.*

Ignace Bourget, born October 30, 1799, of the marriage of Pierre Bourget, and Therese Paradis, was the eleventh of thirteen children. The Lord granted him the grace of belonging to a christian family where piety seemed hereditary. It is related of the first of his forbears, one Claude Bourget, who came to Canada towards the end of the seventeenth century, that he made a pilgrimage to the celebrated sanctuary, the Cathedral of Chartres, before embarking for America, and that he engraved his name on the marble flooring of that renowned temple so that the Blessed Virgin might remember him and continue to protect him in the land of exile. On his mother's side, young Ignace descended from William Couture, who had the happiness of undergoing martyrdom for the Name of Jesus Christ in company with Father Jogues, Jesuit. Hence, the birthright of a living faith and heroic devotedness was bequeathed to the child as a precious legacy by his ancestors. But, why weave perishable garlands around a cradle containing one of the brightest glories of a remarkable line, and who will give an immortal splendor to a name already illustrious?