

Dr. Barry, V. G. The elect was then examined by the consecrator as to his obedience to the Holy See and his belief in the solemn mysteries of the Christian religion, after which the Mass was commenced, the elect standing at the left of the consecrator. The Mass having been proceeded with to the end of the Epistle, the elect was conducted by the assistant Bishops to his chapel, where he was invested with sandals, pectoral cross, stole, tunic, dalmatic, chasuble, and maniple—all of which as well as the vestments worn by the other dignitaries, were of the richest and most costly materials. Thus robed, the elect returned to the high altar, when the consecrating Bishop, addressing him said, "It is the duty of a Bishop to Judge, to interpret the Scriptures, to consecrate, to ordain, to make oblation, to baptize, and to confirm." The Consecrator, the Prelates, the Clergy, and the congregation then knelt, and the Litany of the saints was solemnly intoned by the Clergy, the elect lying prostrate on the altar steps. When the Litany had been concluded, the elect knelt before the consecrator, who, placing a book of the Gospels on his shoulders, and touching the head of the elect with both hands, said, "Receive thou the Holy Ghost." The assistant Bishops having done likewise, the consecrating preface was read by the Lord Archbishop. The forehead of the elect was then bound with linen, and the consecrator proceeded to anoint his head, saying, "Be thy head anointed and consecrated in the order of High Priest, by Heavenly benediction, Amen," the choir chaunting the "Veni Creator." The hands of the elect were then anointed, the choir singing the anthem, "The precious ointment on the head, that ran down upon the beard of Aaron; which ran down the skirt of his garment, as the dew of Hermon, which descended on Mount Sion."—The consecrator having blessed the Pastoral staff placed it in the hands of the elect, accompanying the presentation with the appointed prayer. The ring was next placed on his finger, after which the book of the Gospels was closed, and presented to him by the consecrator, who said, "Receive ye the gospel, and go forth, and preach it to the people committed to thee." After which the consecrator and the assistant Bishops received the elect with a kiss of peace. The elect was again conducted to his chapel and the Mass was proceeded with to the end of the Gospel, when the Very Rev. Michael O'Sullivan, V. G., ascended the pulpit, and delivered a beautiful and appropriate oration. When the sermon had been concluded the Mass was again continued to the "Ite missa est." The consecrator then blessed the mitre and placed it on the head of the elect; his hands accompanying both ceremonies with prayer, and he then arose from off his throne, and placing the crosier in the hands of the

newly consecrated, he seated him therein, at the same time giving out the anthem: "Let thy hand be strengthened, and thy right hand be exalted, justice and judgment are the preparations of thy throne." The newly consecrated prelate then proceeded through the aisle of the church accompanied by the assistant Bishops amidst the thunders of the organ which pealed the joyous notes of the "Te Deum," and blessed the congregation who devoutly knelt to receive the benison of the young Lord Bishop of Cork. Having again returned to the high altar he embraced the Consecrator and assistant bishops, when the Mass was again proceeded with to the end, after which the Prelates and Clergy returned to the sacristy in the order in which they issued from it.—*Tablet*.

PASTORAL OF THE ARCHBISHOP OF LYONS.

To the Clergy and to the Faithful of our Diocese,
Health and Benediction in our Lord Jesus Christ:

You know, my dear Brethren, with what ardour we have assisted in the prayers that so many dioceses have addressed to God for the triumph of the Catholic religion in England. We reminded you on that occasion of the bonds which unite the Church of Great Britain, formerly so flourishing.—Could we now close our ears to the cries of distress from Ireland, and turn our eyes away from the calamities which press so heavily upon that unfortunate land? God forbid! If unjust prejudices deprive that afflicted Island of the liberty which would give it life—if, in contempt of religion which condemns, and of the present age, which cries out against the injustice, that Catholic nation is still retained in a humiliating inferiority, by a sister country which refuses the enjoyment of the most legitimate rights, let us, at least, console her heart by our charity; let us lighten the burden of her servitude by our tender compassion, and honour her misfortunes and her poverty as a glorious participation in the sufferings of a God who submitted himself to indigence and pain for us.

We had hoped at one time to receive into our primatial church the mortal remains of him whom Pius the Ninth has called the hero of Christianity. The honours that we were prepared to render to his memory would have been a solemn testimony of our admiration and of our gratitude. But since this consolation has been denied us, we will all render to the memory of that great man an homage more worthy of him, and more conformable to his wishes, in succubing his compatriots by our prayers and our contributions, and in sending them the expression of our entire Christian sym-