

## The Arrival of the Archbishop,

The installation of his Grace Archbishop Walsh in the Metropolitan See of Toronto took place on Wednesday evening, the 27th ult., at St. Michael's Cathedral. The distinguished prelate was received by the clergy and laity of Toronto and the archdiocese with every mark of affection and gladness. He did not come to his new charge as a stranger, for in earlier years he had laboured in Toronto, and friendship and love had grown around him here. This relationship the Archbishop himself referred to in a few beautiful words which he delivered with much tenderness and with evident feeling. "You are no strangers to me," he said, "for I spent thirteen years of my priesthood among you. I left you in the summer of my life. I return in its advanced autumn. I come back to you changed in appearance, it is true, for time and labours and cares have left their marks upon me, but unchanged, I am sure, in my heart's best wishes for you."

Dr. Walsh's return drew forth the most joyful manifestations of the respect and affection felt for him by the Catholic people, and his entrance into the city would have been a royal one had not a violent storm of rain and snow rendered impossible the carrying out of the programme arranged upon. Not by Catholics alone, but by the citizens generally of all denominations, was the coming of Dr. Walsh, as Archbishop of Toronto, looked forward to with satisfaction. That this was the true feeling in the city was evinced by the deep sense of pain and indignation which on all sides found expression when next day it became known that an event so pleasing to all had been disturbed by the blackguardism of a band of hoodlums. A cowardly outrage on the distinguished prelate was perpetrated on the public streets. The details which will be found in this report tell the nature of the attack, which was so sudden and so silent as to have attracted scarcely any attention at the time. To say that it marred the spirit of the popular demonstration would be an exaggeration. The welcome which the new Archbishop received at Hamilton by a representative body of the Catholic citizens of Toronto must have given him an idea of the warm feelings with which his people awaited him. The throng which assembled at the Union Station on the arrival of the train in the city left no room for questioning the affection which ruled aside all sense of inconvenience by weather. All along the streets through which the Archbishop drove to St. Michael's Cathedral enthusiastic cheers everywhere greeted him. At the Cathedral, after the pontifical brief had been read by one of the administrators of the archdiocese, addresses by the clergy and laity were presented to His Grace. His replies to these will be read with much interest. They were clear, strong, deliberate expressions upon the responsibilities of the high office which he had accepted.

### THE FAREWELL AT LONDON.

The farewell to Archbishop Walsh at London was marked by everything expressive of regret and affection. At 9 o'clock on the day of His Grace's departure solemn High Mass was sung in St. Peter's Cathedral in the presence of Archbishops Walsh and Cleary. Rev. J. Bayard, of Sarnia, officiated, assisted by Rev. Fathers Brady, of Woodstock, and Aylward, of St. Thomas as Deacon and Sub Deacon, Rev. Fathers Tiernan and Kennedy being Masters of Ceremonies. The departing Archbishop was attended by Rev. Father Kilroy, of Stratford, and Rev. Father O'Conner, of

Sandwich administrator of the diocese. Archbishop Cleary was attended by Fathers Wagner and Murphy. The Mass comprised Mozart's Twelfth and Haydn's No. 3, and was beautifully rendered.

At the conclusion of the Mass the priests of the diocese advanced and formed a half circle around the Archbishop's throne. Their address was then read by the Rev. W. Flannery, P. P., of St. Thomas. The address recounted, in eloquent words, the meritorious works which were the results of the Archbishop's life and labours as a priest and bishop; the growth of the Church and the multiplication of all institutions of charity and religion; His Grace's many acts of private charity, his personal kindness to his priests, and his practical sympathy with the poor and afflicted. The address spoke also of the sadness which His Grace's departure brought them, and was supplemented with the gift of an archiepiscopal outfit, the joint offering of the clergy and laity of London.

The Archbishop replied in a very feeling manner. He thanked the priests for their address, and for the magnificent gift of the friends, whose friendship was that of a lifetime. He was grateful also for their support and constant co-operation. If he had succeeded in building schools and churches it was because of the hearty support he had received from the priests. Some time ago, when the late Bishop of Peterboro' was in that diocese collecting, he said that during the whole time that he was among the priests of the diocese no word of disloyalty against their bishop was ever uttered, nor any criticism of his actions ever spoken. This statement rounded more to their glory than to the glory of the bishop whom they respected so much as to have that said of them. It showed, too, the spirit of true faith. For true priests of the church and ministers of the Gospel, the only true happiness was to keep as near to God as possible, and to be true priests, not only in faith, but in an honest, conscientious performance of their Christian duties. He hoped and prayed that they might keep loyal in their adherence to the church and in their support of and co-operation with his successor.

At the conclusion of the Archbishop's reply, about 40 gentlemen of the cathedral congregation, advanced to the sanctuary where Mr. Thomas Coffey read an address on behalf of the laity of the diocese.

The Archbishop's reply was very affecting. After thanking them and exhorting them to go on bravely for the cause of God and assuring them of his love, the Archbishop's concluding words of farewell were almost inaudible, his feelings apparently overpowering him, while traces of emotion were visible on many faces in the cathedral.

At the conclusion of the ceremonies in the cathedral a banquet was given in the palace to the Archbishop, at which good music and social intercourse were prominent.

An address was presented to Father Walsh, nephew of the Archbishop, by Father Corcoran, of Parkhill, on behalf of the priests of the diocese. The address spoke of their regret at parting, and was accompanied by a well filled purse. Father Walsh replied suitably. An interesting part of the proceedings was a speech by Archbishop Cleary.

At about 1.30 the congregation re-assembled at the cathedral, and escorted the Archbishop to the Grand Trunk station. The procession was headed by the 7th band. At the station a last farewell was given.

### MEETING HIS GRACE.

At 3.40 p.m. a special train was in readiness at the Union Station to carry the Toronto Reception Committee, and the representatives of the several societies and parishes to Hamilton, and to return with them in time for the public demonstration and the ceremony of installation at St. Michael's Cathedral. A Director's Car of the Grand Trunk Railway contained the members of the Committee, and in it the Archbishop and Bishops were brought down from Hamilton to Toronto.

Hon. Frank Smith, as chairman of the Reception Committee, was in charge of the deputation, and the following members of the committee accompanied him: Mr. D. M. Defoe, secretary; Mr. Patrick Hughes, Mr. Thomas Long, Mr. Hugh Ryan, Mr. George Keiloy, Mr. James Mason,