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THE UNCATHOLIC THEOLOGY OF ARCHBISHOP LYNCH.

Archbishop Lynch, of Toronto, gives us, in a recent number of the *Mail*, a reprint of Archbishop Manning's heresy, in relation to which we give the following from the *Church Times*, of the 26th of September last. We will guarantee that no Romanist will ever reply to the unanswerable facts given by the Rev. Dr. Nicholson.

ARCHBISHOP MANNING'S THEOLOGY.

We should not trouble ourselves about either Archbishop Manning or his theology, were it not that he, and those who act under him, demand from us unconditional submission as the qualification for membership of what they call the Catholic Church. This being so, we cannot be straying beyond the limits of our legitimate province if we undertake to criticise the utterances of the chief representative of Roman Catholicism in this land.

And this seems all the more forced upon us by the prominence which has been given by the press to the recent pilgrimage to Paray-le-Monial. The demonstration, fortunately for itself, occurred during the "silly season," when the editors of daily newspapers are sorely put to it to fill their columns, or the probability is that the pilgrims would have had but very scant notice taken of them, or of their doings.

The greatest efforts were made by the Roman Catholic authorities to

bring their scheme before the public. Supposing that they really believed that when our Lord desired that the devotion to His Sacred Heart should be introduced into His Church, He selected a person as the repository of His will who was the least likely of all persons to be credited in a sceptical age—to wit, a sickly and hysterical nun—then we are far from blaming them. Anyway, an agitation was got up; Mr. Cook was brought into requisition; and preparatory sermons were preached. A certain amount of curiosity was roused, and, unfortunately for Archbishop Manning, amongst those who assembled on June 22nd to hear him discourse on the devotion of the Sacred Heart, was the Rev. Dr. Nicholson. More unfortunate still was it, that his Grace invited those of his hearers who desired further information to address him on the subjects connected with his sermon. And it was even yet more unfortunate for the preacher that Dr. Nicholson availed himself of the invitation. A long correspondence has appeared in the columns of the *Guardian* as having arisen out of this invitation, and to it we must beg to draw our readers' attention.

In the sermon a dogmatic statement was made by Archbishop Manning, which attracted the attention of the