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THE COLLEGE OF OTTAWA.

Reception of the Apostolic Commissary.

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES.

Second Annual Meeting and Banquet of the Alumni Association.

Blessing of the Corner-Stone of the

The commencement exercises of the College of Ottawa were held this year College of Ottawa were held this year under the most auspicious circumstances. His Excellency, Dom H. Smeulders, C. O., Apostolic Commissary, presided at all the ceremonies, assisted by His Lordship the Ceremonies, assisted by His Lordship the Richer of Ottawa, and surrounded by a light of Ottawa. Bishop of Ottawa, and surrounded by a brilliant gathering of the clergy and laity, including hundreds of the Alumni from almost every province of the Confederation and several states of the Union. On Tuesday evening, June 10th, Convocation Hall, brilliantly decorated for the occasion, rang with long and hearty plaudits as His Excellency, His Lordship and suite entered and took their places on the large dais opposite the students' gallery. Among those present, besides the Faculty, were Rev Father Antoine, Provincial of the O. M. I. in Canada; Rev. Father McGrath, of Lowell, Mass., Provincial of the O. M. I. in the United States; Vicar Gen-G. M. I. in the United States; Vicar General Routhier, Rev. Fathers Bouillon, Labelle, Le Febvre, St. Peter's Church, Montreal; W. Smith, St. P. M., New York; Boucher, Maignan, Foley, Sloan, Cole, Whelan, P. P. St. Patrick's, Gttawa; Carbett, Hamilton; Rochon and Chantillon, Prud'homme, Burnet, Faure, Phillippe, Paradis, Cahill, Labelle, of St. Jerome, and other clergymen; Principal MacCabe, Drs. Baptie and Scott, of the Normal School; Dr. Grant, Inspector Glashan, of the Public Schools; P. Baskerville, M. P., J. J. Curran, M. P., Hon. John O'Connor, E. McGillivray, G. Johnson, of the Mail, T. P. Gorman, of the Globe, Lt-Col. Panet, Dr. P Valade, Dr. P. St. Jean, Dr. Duhamel, M. P.P., J. Concannon, and others. M. P.P., J. Concannon, and others.

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A song of welcome, with orchestral accompaniment, was rendered by the students with pleasing effect, after which four addresses were presented to His Excellency. The President of the College, Rev. Dr. Tabaret, on behalf of the Faculty, addressed him in Latin; and Mr. Chas. De Vriendt in Flemish, Mr. W. L. Scott in English, and Mr. R. Lemieuz in French, represented the students. The following is the text of the English address:

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

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MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

It is with the deepest feelings of reverent love and religious joy, with hearts over-flowing with filial love, that we, the students of the College of Ottawa, extend to a highly distinguished religious and representative of the Holy See, a warm affectionate welcome. Welcome, bearer of weighty responsibilities; welcome, vindicator of ecclesiastical rights; welcome, echo of a voice whose utterances are inecho of a voice whose utterances are in

But your paternity has many attrac tions for us. As pupils of teachers who have left all to follow Christ in the practice of the holy vows, we have learned to appreciate the members of all religious orders, especially of those who have taken the lead in the progress of the Catholic Church. We are therefore proud to see at our head, though but for a short space, a son of the glorious St. Robert, a brother of the English Stephen, and of St. Berof the English Stephene, and of St. Ber-nard, that pillar not only of his order but of the Holy Church itself. Well nigh nine long centuries have come and gone since the forest of Cistercium first echoed since the forest of Cistercium first echoed to the axes of 21 holy pioneers, and saw cell after cell rise under the shade of its lofty foliage. In robes of pure, unspotted white, fit emblem of their saintly souls, those solitaries shone in the darkling wood, like angels in a world of sin. All good, all light comes from the desert. From desert came the dawning glories of Christianity, first in the person of St. John Baptist, and then in Him who is the light of the world; and from the desert came the children of St. Robert, each a luminary to shed the rays of faith on the surrounding regions and dispet the gloom of many a dark horizon. That the spirit of the founder descended to his missionaries is a fact patent even in our distant times; for, venerable with years counted by many centuries, his order still flour-ishes in undiminished vitality, and holds its place in the Catholic Church as an in-stitution that bids fair for immortality.

Bat the work of St. Robert not only defies time; it has expanded to enormous dimensions. When he died the death of dimensions. When he died the death of the just in his cell at Molesme, in 1110, did he foresee that in 1200 his Order would count 1,800 abbeys over the length and breadth of Europe? And, to come to our own time, was it given to him to look in vision beyond the western horizon, and further still beyond the broad Atlantic, and on westward over wide regions even the banks of our own Ottawa? Did to the banks of our own Ottawa? Did he see himself there represented by a son of his own, and listen to his own glories des-canted upon by students of a university grateful for a signal favor which must be attributed to himself? But if his humanity shut out the future from his view during his mortal career, this day, at least, he feels his glory increased as he contem-

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plates the good done by the zeal and kindness of your paternity.

The example set by your venerable order has helped to call into existence a host of religious societies. Among the ranks the society of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate. May these younger missionaries strive to emulate the zeal and efficiency of their seniors. They are at home in Europe, they are known in Africa and Asia, they are well rooted in Canada and the United States, they in particular aid at the spring-work of religion and civilization in the great North-West awaiting the harvest, and your paternity sees the studium generale which they have established here to teach every branch of knowledge sacred and profane. Attracted by their fame we have come from various and distant climes to imbibe sound and useful doctrine. And we think, too, that the mutual confidence arising from their kindness to us and our appreciation of it, crowned with success both their teaching and our development. And to what cause but this can be attributed that new extension of the College buildings which is at present attracting such marked

And what Kind Providence has sent Your Excellency so opportunely to the scene of our toils? Now that the benediction of the Apostolic Commissary is about to descend upon our walls, what splendid hopes may we not entertain of the future prosperity of the University? We may with reason imagine to ourselves, that the corporation laid and blessed for the that the corner-stone laid and blessed for the benefit of a system of truly Christian edu-cation, is in some distant, faint way the image of the rock on which the Church is built, and that the benediction comes from the hands of the Holy Father himself through the hands of his representative. We are proud to think how highly our College is this day favored, and this favor will be one link more to bind us to a house that is so evidently under the pro-

house that is so evidently under the protection of Keaven.

Your Excellency will allow us to add one thing more, to bring out our feelings more clearly on this auspicious day. Though we are children of the Church and have a Father whom we venerate as holy, yet we cannot see him. We cannot go to him, nor can he come to us, and he is in prison. May we ask Your Excellency to speak for us? Tell him how deep is our sympathy, how fervently we pray with the rest of the Church for St. Peter a second time in prison, how readily we could go to his assistance and rescue him from his enemies; how willingly we we could go to his assistance and rescue him from his enemies; how willingly we could leave all to uphold the rights of our Father and give our best blood for his sacred cause. But if the Holy Father needs not such defenders, we know that he will bless our good will. Let him know that we love our holy religion above all material or intellectual goods, and that in our own sphere we shall ever cling to our faith in mind and practice, and never surrender one iota of Catholic principle or ecclesiastical rights. Finally, tell His Holiness that we are not unmindful of what the college owes him in the class of philosophy for presenting for competition Holiness that we are not unmindful of what the college owes him in the class of philosophy for presenting for competition a medal which is of priceless value, coming as it does with a blessing from the hands and heart of our common Father. We next solicit his holy benediction.

His Excellency replied at some length in Latin. He said at the beginning that he would select that language out of the four which he had just heard, to return his sincere thanks for the kindly senti-

he would select that language out of the four which he had just heard, to return his sincere thanks for the kindly sentiments expressed in the addresses, as it was the language of the Church. He next made beautiful allusions to the mottoes on the wall, Fide et Scientia, the mottoe of the graduating class of '84, and Deus Scientiarum Dominus est, and greatly eulogized the philosophy of St. Thomas Aquinas which is taught in the college. His Excellency demonstrated in a very profound speech that faith and science were always in unison, because he said that both originated from the same divine source. Faith, how-ever, must always receive pre-eminence, as it is more certain than science, coming directly as it does from God.

His Excellency was listened to with the closest attention and on concluding was loudly applauded. The

CONFERRING OF DEGREES
next took place. The undermentioned gentlemen having given abundant proofs of their scientific and literary attainments, were awarded the high distinction of Master of Arts:—Hon. John O'Connor, of Ottawa, and Frank Nelson, B. A., of Toronto.

Having passed with honor the severe examination required, the following gentlemen received the degree of Bachelor of Arts: Patrick Ryan, of Pembroke, Ont., with great distinction; William L. Scott, of Ottawa, Ont., with great distinction; William Haggerty, of Sydney Mines, N. S. The following gentlemen received the degree of Bachelor of Literature: Daniel

J. Dunn, of Lawrence, Mass.; Rev. George Lemoine, O.M.I., of Longueil, Que.; Adrien Guillaume, of Ottawa, Ont; Wm. O. McKinnon, of Melrose, P. E. I.

The following students passed with success the Intermediate Examinations success the intermediate Examinations:— Edmond Moras, Lawrence, Mass; Charles Murphy, Ottawa, Ont.; John O'Reilly, Gribbin, Ont.; Leopold Phelar, North Gower, Ont.; Alfred Lussier, Ottawa,

The undermentioned candidates were admitted to Matriculation:—Ronald J. McEachin, Douglas, Ont.; Gerald A. Griffin, Port Hope, Ont.; Onesime P. St. Amand, Pembroke, Ont.; Thomas P. Tobin, Memphis, Tenn.; Patrick J. O'-Malley, Clinton, Mass.; Wade Smith, Ottawa, Ont.; Henry J. Mullen, Ottawa,

COMMERCIAL DIPLOMAS. The following students having passed with success the examination of the highest class of the commercial course received

the Commercial Diploma:—Arthur Pierre
Berube, Ottawa, Ont.; Timothy Brennan,
Eganville, Ont.; Hormisdas Joseph Brosseau, St. Jean, Que.; David Russell Carrier, West Winfield, New York; John
Thomas Coyne, Connaught, Ont.; Francis
Xavier Devlin, Pittsburg, Penn.; James
Matthew Donegan, New York, N. Y.;
Rodolphe Desrochers, Ottawa, Ont.;
William Francis Foley, Pittsburgh, Penn;
David Anthony Fullrer, Pittsburgh, Penn.; Leon Francis Herckenrath, Mannroneck, New York; John Patrick Lacey,
Eganville, Ont.; Joseph Etienne Leblanc,
Ottawa, Ont.; William Joseph Lynch,
L'Epiphanie, Que.; Bernard James McKinnon, Melrose, P. E. I.; Vincent Aloysius Moshane, Batler, Penn.; John Aloysius Montgomery, Washington, D. C.
John Murphy, Ottawa, Ontario; Adrien
Senecal, Plattsburgh, New York; John
Shea, Ottawa, Ont; John Charles Shea,
Willimantic, Conn; Sylvester Teskey,
Ottawa, Ont; Louis James Weldon, Pittsburgh, Penn; Hector Henri Woizard,
Baltic, Mass:

Hon John O'Connor, M. A., delivered a

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them to rise and drink a bumper to Leo
XIII., gloriously reigning, Head of the
Universal Church, and Patron of the College of Ottawa. This toast was received
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Hon John O'Connor, M. A., delivered a short speech, returning thanks for the high honor that had been conferred upon him by the college. Mr. Frank Nelson, M. A., also acknowledged the honor that had been conferred upon him, and on behalf of the Alumni tendered Mgr. Smeulders hearty and sincere thanks for

his distinguished presence.

The national anthem brought the ceremonies to a close.

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2nd annual meeting of the Alumni.

The second annual meeting of the Alumni Association was held immediately after the conferring of degrees. Mr. J. J. Curran, Q. C., M. P., called the assemblage to order, and the Secretaries read the min-utes of last year's meeting, and also the report of the executive committee. Both were unanimously approved and adopted. The election of officers was next proceeded

with, and resulted as follows:

Honorary President: The Right Rev.
J. T. Duhamel, Bishop of Ottawa.

President: J. J. Curran, Q. C., M. P.,

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Vice-Presidents: P. St. Jean, M. D., Ottawa; Frank J. Nelson, M. A., Toronto, Ont; Rev. J. Keough, Hamilton, Ont; Dioscore Hurteau, St. Lin, Quebec; T. O'Hagan, B.A., Barrie, Ont; Very Rev. J. McGrath, Lowell, Mass; Rev. A. Derbuel, West Boylston, Mass.; L. Dihamel, M. D., M. P.P., Hull, Que.; J. A. MacCabe, M.A., Ottawa, Ont.; Rev. A. Chaine, Arnprior, Ont.; Rev. J. F. Coffey, CATHOLIC RECORD, London, Ont.; Holore Robillard, M.P.P., Rock Village, Ontario; Rev. A. Brunet, B.A., Portage-du Fort, Quebec; Rev. O. Boucher, Boston, Mass.; Hon. John O'Connor, M. A., Ottawa, Ont.; M. J. Gorman, Barrister, Pembroke, Ont.; Rev. J. P. F. Kelly, East Boston, Mass.; William Haggerty, B. A., Sidney Mines, Nova Scotia; J. S. Concannon, B. A., Boston, Mass.; John O'Meara, Barrister, Peterborough, Ont.
Treasurer: W. H. Barry, B. A., Ottawa. Corresponding Secretaries: F. R.

Corresponding Secretaries: F. R. Latchford, B.A., Ottawa, Ont.; L. A. Cote, Ottawa, Ont.

sent proved their devotion to their Alma Mater. The President also said a few words, returning thanks in the name of the officers elect for the honor conferred upon them, and on motion the meeting adjourned to re-assemble a few moments later in the large refectory.

THE BANQUET.
The walls of the dining hall were tastefully adorned with evergreens and bunt-ing. Portraits of the late Bishop Guigues, ing. Portraits of the late Bishop Guigues, of Bishop Duhamel, his successor, and of Rev. Dr. Tabaret, occupied conspicuous places, as well as the motto of the Association "Prioris temporis flores." Mr. J. J. Curran occupied the shair, having on his sight the Avestelia Commission and Baselich the Commission and Baselich the Avestelia Commission and Baselich the Commiss right the Apostolic Commissary and Rev. Dr. Tabaret, and on his left the Bishop of Ottawa and the Provincials of the Oblates in Canada and the United States. At the table of honor also sat Hon. John O'Connor, Rev Father Pallier and Principal MacCabe. His Excellency asked a blessing upon the good things before them, and then all began with a will to discuss the

MENU. POTAGES. Soupe aux Huitres a la Romaine. HORS D'ŒUVRES. Salade de Poulet saute a la Foot Ball.

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GROSSES PIECES.
Jambon decore a la Trombonne. Langue ecarlate a la Tabaret. ulets froids a la Barrett. Dindes glaces a la Base Ball, Ortolans sur Canape. Galantine de Dinde.

ENTREMETS. Pyramide d'Oranges. Cufs a la Nei Bombes glaces a la Dynamite. Timballe de Macaron a la Chaborel. Charlotte aux Belles Lettres. Œufs a la Neige. Rouleau aux Fraises Assorties.

FRUITS.
Fraises. Pine Apple. Racine Grecque.
Noix Ameres. Les quatre Mendiants.
Oranges. Pommes, Raisins. Cafe.

BREUVAGES.
Limonade de Grenouilles. Vin de Sal-erne Sicile. Bordeaux. Cette, Porter. Biere Anglaise. Limonade. Ginger Ale. Biere Anglaise. Limonade. Ginger Ale.
After the lapse of about an hour, proceedings were interrupted to permit the departure of His Excellency and His Lordship who had engagements for an early hour the following morning. The chairman said that as the distinguished

representative of His Holiness had honored

This pleasing interruption seemed to have whettened the appetites of the feasters, as the attack on the toothsome feasters, as the attack on the toothsome edibles was vigorously renewed and continued until the cry was, "hold, enough!"
On the cloth being removed, the chairman arose and in a pleasing speech gave "Alma Mater," success and prosperity, coupling with it the name of the loved and venerated president of the college, Father Tabaret, to whom all wished "Ad multos annos." This sentiment was followed by three hearty cheers, and "for he's a jolly good fellow," joined in by all present.

Father Tabaret responded in a feeling manner, and Fathers Fillatre, Pallier and Leyden, members of the Faculty, enlivened

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The next toast was "The Clergy," proposed by Dr. Duhamel, M. P. P., and acknowledged by Very Rev. Father McGrath, of Lowell, Mass., and Rev. A. Chaine, of Arnprior, Ont.

Principal MacCabe gave "The Bar," which brought Hon. John O'Connor to his feet. He delivered a witty speech and related several amusing anecdotes. Mr. J. G. O'Doherty also spoke for the pro-

J. G. O'Doherty also spoke for the pro-fession and called upon the chairman to give "old King Cole." This J. J. did in his own inimitable style, introducing sev-eral variations which brought down the

house every time.
"Medicine" was proposed in a few neat
words by Rev. M. Michael of Buckingham, words by Rev. M. Michael of Buckingham, P. Q., and acknowledged by Dr. Duhamel. Mr. M Gorman, Barrister, of Pembroke, Ont., did full justice to "the Press." He mentioned the names of several former students now prominently connected with journalism, and spoke of the services rendered to the college and to the Alumni Association by the Catholic Record, and its editor, their old classmate and friend, Rev. J. F. Coffey. Rev. J. F. Coffey.

Mr. Frank Nelson, M. A., of the Toronto

Mr. Frank Nelson, M. A., of the Toronto Globe, made a happy reply, as also did Mr. G. Johnston, the Ottawa correspondent of the Toronto Mail, and the representatives of the Ottawa Citizen, Free Press, Le Canada, and Sun. Mr. Nelson also contributed a song with pleasing effect.

The Rev. A Brunet, of Portage du Fort, P Q, gave one of his characteristic speeches when proposing. "Agriculture, trade and

when proposing "Agriculture, trade and commerce," and Mr. F Brennan in re-sponse recited one of Edgar Allen Poe's

but misrepresented body, in appropriate thanks-giving addresses.

Mr. J. S. Concannon, of Boston, Mass.

took charge of "The Class of '84" and handled his subject in a masterly manner. The replies by Messrs. P. Ryan, W. L. Scott, D. Hurteau, D. J. Dunn, A. Guillaume, W. Haggerty, and W. McKinnon, were well received.

The next toast, "Absent Friends," was entrusted to Mr. J O'Meara, Barrister, of Peterborough, Ont., and could not have fallen to better hands. His allusion to reteriorough, one, and the memory of the dead brought tears to the eyes of all, and after he resumed his seat there was profound silence for several minutes which was only broken by the secretaries announcing that letters of apology and regret had been received from H J Friel and Alfred T Gow, Ottawa; T J Cronin, and T J Fitzpatrick, Montreal; D O M Gaul, New York; D Daniel Phelan, M D., Kingston; M J Joyce, Troy, N Y; J T Waters, M A Daniel Phelan, M D., Kingston; A Daniel N V J T Oninn B A, Salem. Fitzpatrick, Montreal; D O M Gaul, New York; Daniel Phelan, M D., Kingston; M J Joyce, Troy, N Y; J T Waters, M A, Buffalo, N Y; J F Quinn, B A, Salem, Mass; Thomas O'Hagan, Barrie; John O'Sullivan, Littleton, N H; Rev P McCarthy, North Wakefield; Rev J J Collins, Mt. St Patrick; Rev J F Coffey, London, Ont; F X Deslogs, Ottawa; A A Talliou, Sorel, and Rev A Derbuel, West Boylston.

Mr F R Latchford, of Ottawa, then arose, and said that, as it was the duty of the Alumni Association to encourage and support the Faculty and students of the College in every way, he would call upon them to fill their glasses and drink to the "Varsity Foot-ball Club." (cheers) He said that in the past year the club had contested eleven games, with such clubs

contested eleven games, with such clubs as the Ottawas, and the Montreal and Brittania teams of Montreal, and had not suffered a single defeat. The Alumni had sunered a single deteat. The Alumni had noted with pleasure the encouragement given by the Faculty to the Club and hoped that under their auspices the Varsity boys would next year win brilliant victories in new fields.

The hearty manner in which this toast was drunk was an evidence of the popularity of athletic exercises with the Alumni. Mr. D J Dunn, one of the Varsity "old reliables" replied for the club and favored the company with a

song.

The chairman paid his respects to "the ladies" in a humorous speech, and Messrs.

L. A. Cote and W. H. Barry "talked back" for the fair sex in excellent style.

"The Executive Committee" was the

last toast proposed, which the chairman, Father Whelan, acknowledged in a few words

"Auld Lang Syne" was then sung, and the second annual meeting of the Alumni association brought to a successful termin-

At 7.30 a.m. Wednesday, a Mass of thanksgiving was celebrated in the College chapel, by Rev. Dr. Tabaret, who also addressed a few words of earnest advice to the students. At noon the Faculty entertained the Apostolic Commissary, the Bishop of Ottawa and a large number of the ciergy at a sumptuous repast. Sub-sequently the ceremony of blessing the corner-stone of the new building took place By four o'clock there must have been two thousand persons present, in-cluding a large number of clergy, students, citizens and others. The stone itself was the centre of attraction, and lay on an improvised stand, beautifully decorated with flags. Over the entrance to the Convocation Hall was displayed the Belconvocation Hall was displayed the Belgian coat-of-arms, and on top floated the Papal flag of yellow, in honor of the distinguished Commissary. In bold gold letters, on one side of the stone, was the following inscription:

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LXXXIV. Hie Lapis Angularis A R R ac. Ill. D H Smeulders, O C, Apostolico S Leonis P P XIII. Commissario. Adstante, RR. et Ill. D D. J T Duhamel, Epo Ottawiensi, Solemniter, Dedicatus,

His Excellency, accompanied by Bishop Duhamel, having arrived and taken a seat on the gallery opposite the stone, with several prominent clergymen and gentlemen, the College Band, stationed on the west side, played an opening selection. His Lordship the Bishop of Ottawa then advanced to the front and delivered in French the following sermon: French the following sermon:

TEXT :- Jesus Christ yesterday, to-day and the same forever.

Beloved Brethren:—It is with real happiness that I accepted the invitation to address you on this occasion, for I may well say with the great apostle, "Jesus Christ yesterday, to-day and the same forever," and this ceremony is a proof of those words. Presided over by the repre-sentative of the Pope, it is a strong affirma-tion of the Church's rights, and the claim of Jesus on both religious and civil socie-ties. The Rev. Oblates Fathers, who for ties. The Rev. Oblates Fathers, who for so many years, and at such great sacrifice, have not only founded this institution, but have developed it to its present proportions, have never forgotten this text of St. Paul. They desired to allirm the Kingdom of Jesus Christ and His rights in Society. Enlarging their buildings only means for them to enlarge the kingdom of Jesus Christ; and those who assist them either by their wealth or influence, associate themselves in that work so grand associate themselves in that work so grand and noble for the kingdom of God. Every Catholic, every well-wisher of religion and good society, is in duty bound to assist the good Oblates in the great work they have undertaken and are prosecuting with such energy and determination. As the work of redemption was not accomplished without the assistance of God, so the restoration of society shall not be accomplished without the aid of that same Man-God. One of the greatest means for associate themselves in that work so grand they have undertaken and are prosecuting with such energy and determination. As the work of redemption was not accomplished without the assistance of God, so the restoration of society shall not be accomplished without the aid of that same Man-God. One of the greatest means for the restoration of society is education. We find that education in the words of the Catholic Record, of London; the Freeman's Journal of New York of the Freeman's Journal of New York of the Store and deposited in a cavity in the stone a parchament containing a memorial of the proceeding and the cavity in the stone a parchament containing a memorial of the proceeding and the pro poems.

"The civil service," by Mr. Wm Kavan agh, brought up Mr. W J Lynch, and L Biband, both members of that most useful way, the truth and the life." We must be sufficient to be sufficient t follow the way pointed out to us, accept the truth which He has manifested towards us, and accept the life which He has given us. We receive the truth as individuals and as members of religious and givil society. Therefore, we must accept the means He has placed in our hands in order that we may always live according to the teachings of His own divine life; as the Church alone can give us that religious truth which we need, she who has received authority of imparting that truth, we must love the Church and accept Her

> forget them, but assist them in ,working for God and society. At the conclusion of His Lordship's eloquent discourse,
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> THE REV. FATHER MCGRATH

sion that the Apostles gathered into the fold of Christ, and Christianized the world, making them followers of Christ. The efficiency of these words, uttered nearly 1900 years ago, converted the world. Almighty God made use of the same means to perpetuate that Christianity. The control of the same means to perpetuate that Christianity. tianity. The apostles were the corner-stones of the Church. "He that heareth the Church, heareth me; and he that despiseth the Church despiseth me." The burning question of the age was educa-tion on which men were a read as a tion, on which men were, in a good many tion, on which men were, in a good many cases, rather "green." If they were all agreed on the necessity of education, then what was their duty? The statesman strained every nerve to advance his theories as to how the country should be governed; the man country should be governed; the man country should be governed; the man

who wanted to get into the legislature gave the people fulsome flattery, until they thought they were demi-gods. Our Divine Lord has told us the Church He founded was to give an education to the world. He simply told His apostles to go and teach all nations. The Catholic Church presents herself as the legitimate teacher of the world; she it was who told us that education develops all the tool us that education develops all the power in man. She tells us that education to be as it should be, must be founded on religion. Some persons will say "What is the use of that big pile of buildings on Sandy Hill called St. Joseph's College? Haven't we got all the schools we want?" But, if we wanted to go through the world we the schools we want?" But, if we wanted to go through the world, we would have to acquire a perfect knowledge of science. The mind of the mass of the people is without thorough training. There was an education higher than the primary or intermediate. This

training. There was an education higher than the primary or intermediate. This University was here to enable men to go into the world as doctors, and lawyers and in other professions. The speaker then referred to so-called "liberal" Catholics, whom, he said, put a little accomposation into their principles to suit their company. He claimed that no one had done more for the cause of education than the Catholic Church. No one had done more for literature, art and science. Cambridge and Oxford were indebted to the Catholic Church for their establishment.
Ranke, Hubert and other Protestant historians agree that it was by Catholic foundations, money and efforts that Cambridge and Oxford, these grand seats of learning, were founded. A thousand years before the Reformation the Catho-lic Church established those educational centres, of which they felt proud. Belgium took the lead in raising two million dollars for the cause of Catholic education. The Catholic Church interfered with science and art when the latter left its own dominion, and encroached on that of the Church. The Church was getting stronger, more powerful and younger every day, and the Catholic citizens of Ottawa felt proud of having a dignitary of that Church in their midst. Ottawa University might never be so grand as Cambridge and Oxford, But, at the distant data has readisted that grand as Cambridge and Oxford. But, at no distant date, he predicted that young men would come from all parts of the continent to receive a Christian education and a degree from the college. The tion and a degree from the college. The Bishop of Ottawa was to-day a standing example of the excellence of the educa-tion imparted within its walls, and like a son, who, mayhap, came from far-off California, after a lapse of twenty-five years, to see his poor old mother once years, to see his poor old mother once more, there were students here to-day, old students who attended a quarter of a century ago, who came to specially attend the laying of the corner stone of their Alma Mater. He concluded by wishing God-speed in their endeavors to the learned faculty of the University.

His Excellency then blessed the stone-according to the ceremonies prescribed by the Pontifical and deposited in a cavity in the stone a parchment contain-

and La Verite, of Quebec.

After the impressive ceremony Mr. J. J. Curran, Q. C., M. P., came forward amidst prolonged applause and delivered an eloquent address. He said he had not come prepared with fine sentences or beautifully rounded periods, but if from the fullness of his heart his mouth could speak, then indeed would his utter ances be eloquent. (Applause.) Standing beneath the shadow of that institution of learning with which he was con-nected by so many endearing ties, what he formerly knew as Bytown, now spread ing itself before him as a magnificent city, the buildings of the national parliament within view, overlooking the limpid waters of one of our great rivers, and the waters of one of our great rivers, and the evidences of human ingenuity in sight bridging the roaring cataract beyond, whether he considered the proceedings and ceremonies of the day as a child of the Catholic Church, as a Canadian full of hope for the destinies of his country, or as an old student of the college whose giant strides student of the college whose giant strides and progress and usefulness they had gathered together to witness, he felt he could say they were all moved by feelings of gratification and just and patriotic pride. (Great applause.) This ceretic pride. (Great applause.) This cere-mony would convince the most casual observer how futile and powerless were the persecutions of infidel governments to crush the church and its institutions. the Rev. Father McGrath delivered a sermon in English, taking for his text the words "Go teach ye all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost." The Rev. Father, who is Provincial of the Order of Oblates in the United States, said these words the Apostle received from the Divine Saviour, with the power which they exercised throughout the world. "All power is given to thee," he added, "go, therefore, and teach all nations, and make them My disciples." It was with these words as their common mis sion that the Apostles gathered into the enjoy the greatest liberty, the instituflag that floats above us to-day, the em-blem of a great power, where happily we enjoy the greatest liberty, the instituenjoy the greatest liberty, the institu-tions of Catholicity found a refuge and broad fields for their self-sacrificing labors (Applause). He referred to the early mission of the Society of Jesus christenizing and civilizing the Indians and founding the first scholastic estab-lishments of learning in early Canada, and he said what they had done the Oblates of Mary were now doing in our Ontites of Mary were now doing in our far west, and in the city of Ottawa for our new Dominion. Referring to the subject of education he spoke of the glory that had been shed in older coun-

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