

all the malice and ingenuity of our cold blooded assailants to produce such a Pastoral as this from any Catholic Bishop to his flock, in the hour of peril.

In the clumsy attempt above alluded to, and which appeared on Tuesday last, every effort is made to screen the Protestant clergy, but in vain. Are not the whole city aware that some of them ignominiously fled from their post when Cholera raged in Halifax? This cannot be denied for I well remember the sensation it created at the time, and the censures which were freely indulged in even by Protestants themselves.

It is now impudently asserted that there was but one Protestant in the Hospital at Melville Island.

This is not true; the emissaries of the Parsons will have to enquire again.

The article in your valuable Journal has also provoked an attack on Maynooth and a sneer at our clergy in Halifax for having been educated there. Now, though I believe there is not a clergyman in the Catholic Church who would not consider it an honour to have performed his course of studies in that highly distinguished and justly celebrated College, it so happens that there is *not one* Catholic clergyman in Halifax who ever studied for a single day in Maynooth College, and I have often been surprised that your Journal did not contradict the Tory Press on this point. I know very well the reason they had for announcing that the Halifax Priests were from Maynooth. All the hellish yells of bigotry in the three kingdoms were directed against Maynooth, and to swell the No Popery cry here, the Tory Journals repeatedly published what they knew to be false. Indeed, they cannot even by accident tell the truth. I will qualify their statements as they deserve. First, It is false that there was but one Protestant patient in Melville Island. Secondly, It is false that any Catholic clergyman in Halifax was educated in Maynooth. Thirdly, It is false that "the Protestant clergy were doing their duty to the poor of Halifax ere the unfledged gentlemen" (this is the respectful name which the Tories apply to our clergy) "had acquired at Maynooth the lessons of instruction, &c." Some of the present clergy of Halifax, though not in this city at the period of the Cholera, were engaged night and day in another part of the Empire in rendering the last consolations of religion and humanity to their expiring flock. I defy all the Tories of Nova Scotia to contradict one word of what I have stated, and remain, gentlemen,

Yours, &c.,

VERITAS.

Our correspondent whose statement we fully believe, need not be surprised at our occasional silence respecting the calumnies of the Tory Press.

Why should we take the trouble of denying that any of the Catholic clergy here were educated in Maynooth? The lie would be repeated as coolly in a month as if it had never been contradicted. No matter where our clergy may be educated, their principles are the same. Maynooth for the last forty years has dealt many a heavy blow on Protestantism. Oxford, Cambridge, and Trinity College with other pampered and overfed Protestant Institutions have been unable to cope with Maynooth in the field of theological argument. Thus they know to their cost, and hence their undying hatred of Maynooth. As we have printed our correspondent's letter, we may as well nail to the counter a few more tory falsehoods of a more villanous description which have been circulated through their press within the last ten or twelve days. We select two or three as samples of those thumping Big Protestant tory Lies.

"Catholics confess that the Pope of Rome cannot err—that he has plenary power of remitting and retaining sins *according to his will*, and of *thrusting men down into hell*."

"Catholics confess that whatever new thing the Pope of Rome may have instituted, whether it be in Scripture or out of Scripture, is divine and salvific, and therefore ought to be regarded as of *higher value* by lay people, *than the precepts of the living God*."

"Catholics confess that the most holy Pontiff ought to be honoured by all with *divine honour*, *with more prostration* than what is *due to Christ himself*, and that he has the power of *altering Scripture, or increasing, and diminishing it, according to his will*."

Now, we solemnly brand the above audacious, hell born falsehoods—as calumnies which none but a demon from the bottomless pit could invent or inspire. We add our deliberate opinion that the wretches who sat down to concoct, and afterwards publish those detestable fabrications for the purpose of exciting odium against their Catholic neighbours, *must be demons in human form* whom every christian should abhor and avoid as he would the *father of lies himself*.

Yes, Tory Demons! those calumnies against God's Church were forged in hell, and we hurl them back upon your foul and malignant heads with all the scorn and execration which they deserve from true and honest men.

Catholics of Nova Scotia and Cape Breton: Read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest (if you can) the above satanic concatenation of horrible falsehoods.

Oh! we must offer a reward to any amount for one sight of the besotted slave, miscalling himself a Catholic, who would presume in the presence of the God of Truth, and before his fellow-