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The case of "*Canada Revue*" v. *Fabre*, Q. R., 6 S. C. 436, is an interesting and important addition to the jurisprudence on the subject of religious denominations in this province. It is hardly necessary, as regards the majority of our readers, to say that the action was brought by a newspaper against the Roman Catholic archbishop of the diocese of Montreal, for the recovery of damages caused by the issue of a circular, forbidding the members of the Church to read or support the plaintiff's newspaper, under pain of deprivation of the sacraments. Mr. Justice Doherty's treatment of the question is extremely able, and, applying but one, though not an unimportant, test to the judgment, it may be said that there is not a single position taken by the learned judge, in laying down the principles of law which serve as the basis of the decision, to which an enlightened member of any religious denomination, be he Roman Catholic or Anglican, Presbyterian or Methodist, Congregationalist or Jew, can reasonably take exception. The absolute equality before the law, of all religious denominations in this province, is clearly recognized throughout the judgment, and their right to maintain discipline among their members, who expressly or by implication have assented to their rules, is distinctly asserted. The limitations are that the rules