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God forbid that I should glory, save in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ; by whom the world is Crucified to me, and I to the world.—St. Paul, Gal. vi. 14.

HALIFAX, AUGUST 2, 1845.

CALENDAR.

- August 3—Sunday XII after Pentecost—Vespers of the following day.
 ... 4—Monday—St Dominic, Confessor.
 ... 5—Tuesday—The dedication of the Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
 ... 6—Wednesday—The Transfiguration of the Lord Jesus Christ.
 ... 7—Thursday—St Casetan, Confessor.
 ... 8—Friday—Saints Cyriacus, Largays, and Smaragdus.
 ... 9—Saturday—St Emygdinus, Bishop and Martyr.

THE BISHOP.

On Monday last, deputations from the Parish, from St Mary's and St Patrick's Temperance Society and from the St Aloysius Society waited upon the Rt Rev Dr Walsh, at his house in the South End, and presented the following congratulatory Addresses to his Lordship. We have not space to add more than that the Gentlemen were received with the greatest condescension, and left the Bishop's presence deeply impressed with his kindness. We hope to be able to present His Lordship's reply next week.

To His Lordship the Right Reverend Dr. Walsh, Bishop of Maximianopolis, and Administrator Apostolic of the Diocese of Halifax.

We, the Members of the Parish of St. Mary's, deem it proper to solicit your Lordship's acceptance of our congratulatory regard upon your return to this Province.

We witnessed your departure with regret, and we hail your arrival with gladness.

The interval of time which has separated your Lordship from the more immediate cares of your spiritual subjects in this Colony—though long and protracted beyond the extent of our expectations—will cease to be remembered in our exultation at the improved health, and refreshed vigour of mind, with which we have seen your Lordship resume the exercise of your high and hallowed functions.

The Counsels of peace, charitableness, and good will, so forcibly inculcated by your Lordship from the Sanctuary, will, we trust, result in their designed usefulness. We receive them with the authority of precepts, and you may rely upon our observance of them as rules of conduct.

We feel, my Lord, more deeply indebted, if possible, in our affections to the Holy See, for its vigilant care of our interests in committing at the partition of the Diocese, this Section of the Province to your Episcopal charge, and shall not fail by our sympathies with your Lordship in all measures for the promotion of our ancient Faith, to approve ourselves a lineage not degenerate or unworthy of the solicitude thus shown for us by the Father of the Faithful.

In the arrival of your Lordship—in the admonitions of whole-heartedness, with which you have accompanied the promulgation of

the Sacred Decretal, we witness an edifying earnest of the religious peace and happiness which awaits us under a benign and paternal Administration—and conclude by tendering to your Lordship the fervid and unfeigned assurances of the high respect, esteem, and consideration in which your Lordship is so deservedly held.
 Halifax, N.S. 25th July 1845.

To His Lordship the Right Reverend Dr. Walsh, Bishop of Maximianopolis, &c. &c.

We, the members of St. Mary's and St. Patrick's Temperance Society, beg leave to congratulate your Lordship upon your arrival. We feel proud, My Lord, at your return to resume the Supervision of our Society, as its Patron, and trust to derive many improvements in our discipline from your Lordship's experience of the action and success of Sister Associations at Home.

Having participated with the other members of our Catholic Community in a previous manifestation of respect, we feel it would be improper to trespass further upon Your Lordship's time, already so fully occupied by the solemn objects of your high Ministry and respectfully entreat your Lordship to believe that this brief testimonial of our regard and gratitude is but an imperfect expression of our feelings.

We conclude with aspirations for many years of health and happiness to your Lordship.

L. O'C. DOYLE, PRESIDENT.

TO THE RIGHT REV. DR. WALSH.

THE HUMBLY ADDRESS
 OF THE

ST. ALOYSIUS' SOCIETY.

We, the Members of the St. Aloysius' Society—comprising the Attendants at the Cathedral Altar—approach with deep gratification the performance of that duty which a long wished event has imposed. That event, my Lord, which restores a beloved Prelate to the inalienable affection of an anxious People, elicits from the lips of youth and age, the one simultaneous expression of the sentiment within.

My Lord,—with fervent thanksgiving to the Omnipotent Providence, that like the 'Pillar' and the 'Cloud,' guided and guarded the Executor of Heaven's Will, we mingle with the universal tide our humble flow of joy and exultation.

When we look back to the period of your Lordship's first arrival in our City, and contemplate the various good which accrued to Religion from your unceasing exertions; when we recur to the day of your departure for the Holy See, and reflect on the perils, the fatigues, the labours, the anxieties of that arduous journey; when we