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As for us, Catholics of Canada, our duties in this respect are clearly laid down by His Holiness Leo XIII in his masterly Encyclical *Affari vos* addressed to the archbishops and bishops of the Canadian Confederation.

« Without religion, says the Sovereign Pontiff, there can be no moral education deserving of the name nor truly efficacious. Wherefore to wish for souls endowed with good morals and to leave them at the same time deprived of religion, is as senseless as to urge people to virtue after destroying the basis thereof. Now for the Catholic there is but one true religion, the Catholic religion ; therefore as regards doctrines, morality or religion, he cannot accept or acknowledge any which is not derived from the very sources of Catholic teaching. Hence the necessity of having Catholic masters and of having liberty to organize schools in such manner that their teaching shall be fully in accord with the Catholic Faith as well as with the duties connected therewith.

« Our children cannot be allowed to seek the benefits of education from schools which ignore the Catholic religion or are positively antagonistic to it ; from schools wherein its doctrine and fundamental principles are repudiated . . . Every school of that kind is condemned by the Church because nothing can be more pernicious, more calculated to destroy the integrity of the faith and to turn away youthful minds from the paths of truth.»

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Oh ! ask not, hope thou not too much  
Of sympathy below ;  
Few are the hearts whence one same touch  
Bids the sweet fountain flow :  
Few — and, by still conflicting powers  
Forbidden here to meet —  
Such ties would make this life of ours  
Too fair for aught so fleet.