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For those institutions to which my humble instrumentality may have contributed, you are indebted to yourselves ;— to cherish and support them will be the best proof of the flattering estimate which you form of their humble projector. We certainly have achieved some good ; and now, at the moment of separation, let us thank Heaven that if more has not been effected, and if our holy progress be even partially suspended, we cannot accuse ourselves. We may have reason to complain of the same things which opposed the apostle of nations before us ; but let us hope that Providence, in its own good time, will remedy the evil to which we have been obliged to submit.

Your reference to the kindly sympathies and enlightened liberality of our friends of other denominations, is, Gentlemen, grateful to me and honorable to you ; and I am proud to add the testimony of personal experience to the truth of the character which you have given of them. Sincere in the profession of their own creed, they are tolerant of those of others, and show that however they may differ in dogmas, their charity is the same. Whenever it may please Heaven to fix the scene of my future labours, I shall never forget the fraternal spirit which in Halifax has realised the vision that fancy pictured to the poet of our creed and country :

"The various tints unite,
And form in Heaven's light
One arch of peace."

Education has ever been a leading object of Catholic exertion. Your enthusiasm in its support only proves that you are worthy of its blessings. Your College has realised for your population a greater share of public benefit than its most ardent supporters could have expected ; and while my position and relations rendered me unable to contribute little more than my good wishes to its success, I am happy that your appreciation of its merits makes