

to-morrow evening, in the Church of Our Lady of Sorrows at the Cemetery of the Holy Cross, and will be continued there during the fine weather. In winter, it will be recited at St. Mary's. We will take an early opportunity of explaining more fully the objects of this laudable institution. Dr. Walsh, when in Rome, obtained from the Holy See extension to the Halifax Purgatorian Society, of all the Indulgences which have been granted by the Sovereign Pontiffs to similar societies in Ireland. "It is a wholly and wholesome thought to pray for the Dead."

#### RIGHT REV. DR. FLEMING.

This excellent Prelate returned from Europe, in the last Steamer from Liverpool. On Saturday, he was fortunate enough to meet a small vessel on the Newfoundland coast, which took him on board, so that his unexpected arrival at St. John's must have caused an agreeable surprise to his admiring flock. We have heard the most cheering accounts of the progress of the new Cathedral from some recent visitors to Newfoundland, and we heartily pray *God speed* to this glorious undertaking. It will be an imperishable Monument to the memory of Bishop Fleming, and will proclaim to future ages the lively faith, and unbounded generosity, of his noble and warm-hearted people. As Irishmen and Catholics we are proud of them, for they know how to honour their religion and country. The work in which they are engaged is truly great; they are preparing a habitation not for man, but for God. May their untiring and zealous pastor live to witness the completion of the splendid Palace which he is building for the King of Heaven!

#### UNWARRANTABLE INTERFERENCE.

There is a Catholic now lying sick in Halifax, who has been long since received into our Church. In her recent illness she sent for a priest, who administered to her the sacraments, and prepared her for death. As a virago in the neighbourhood attempted to obstruct his entrance, he took the precaution to ask the sick person, before witnesses, in what faith she wished to die, and by what clergyman she wished to be attended. It was in consequence of her distinct answer, that the priest proceeded to discharge his duty. Will it be believed that a Reverend gentleman in this city belonging to another church, has with the knowledge of the above facts

repeatedly annoyed this suffering creature, by his obtrusive visits? It seems he goes under the auspices, and at the instigation of the virago above alluded to. Would to heaven, that he would expend a portion of his misdirected zeal upon the individual herself for she needs it much! We would address the same charitable advice to two pious young ladies, who by way of helpmates to the Reverend gentleman, have been also disturbing the bed of sickness, by their uncalled-for intrusion. Do they know the real character of the woman who admits them? If this caution be not sufficient, we are prepared to enter into explanations, which will be exceedingly embarrassing to all the parties concerned in this unjust interference with the religion of their neighbours. Verbum sat.

#### HAMMOND PLAINS.

On Thursday, 3d instant, Right Rev. Dr. Walsh visited this rising settlement for the purpose of enquiring into its spiritual wants, and of administering the Sacrament of Confirmation. He was assisted by the venerable Father Vincent of Tracadie, and the Rev. Messrs. Kennedy and Hennessy. After Mass the Bishop explained the objects of his coming, and confirmed 18 persons whom he exhorted before and after the reception of the Sacrament. The absolution of the Dead was also performed by him in the Church, and in the adjoining Cemetery, after which, the Catholic inhabitants met, the Bishop in the chair, and some resolutions concerning the Church, and the state of religion in the district, were entered into. Every preparation had been made for the solemn blessing of the Cemetery, but in consequence of the unfavourable state of the weather, this interesting ceremony was postponed.

#### THE TRAPPISTS.

The good Pere Vincent of Tracadie, and Prior of the Trappist Convent there, has arrived in town, on a visit to the Bishop. We have heard that he has come to solicit permission, from Dr. Walsh, to establish a Branch of his Order in the Diocese of Halifax. We need not say how happy we should feel at seeing an establishment of this kind in the Diocese, and in a locality as convenient as possible to the capital itself. The counsels of the gospel are reduced to practice in the lives of those austere solitaries, and the influence of their