

Oct. 10th.

THE ARCHBISHOP SHOWS THE EXTREME
PRURIENCY OF IGNORANCE.

From the Springfield Republican, quoted by the Mail: "It is the extreme of pruriency of ignorance to condemn Marmion. From the "Christian At Work." "It has remained for the Roman Catholic Archbishop Lynch of Toronto, to discover for the first time that Scott's great masterpiece Marmion, is an immoral poem, and unfit for use in the Ontario High Schools. . . . Now in the name of all the virtues and in the interests of all the conscious prudishness that ever caused a modest Archbishop to blush, we should like to know what there is in this incident to arouse the wrathful fulminations of a Roman Catholic primate. What is there that is calculated to imperil youthful Catholic souls or shake the dome of St. Peter's, that the Archbishop aroused from his sweet serenity should denounce one of the sweetest and loveliest of poems that ever crystalized from off a poet's pen?"

THE HIGH MINDED LYNCH.

And if the pure high minded Lynch cannot endure the blinking and winking in Marmion, how can he tolerate the story of David or Ruth and Naomi in his Bible? How can he endure Shakespeare? How can he give Homer a place in his library, or scan a line of the *Aeneid*. And it is a lasting shame and disgrace to the Canadian education officials that they should have listened to this prelatical priest, who finds impurity where the pure have not found it, and banished Marmion from the schools. A great many fools have passed away in their day and are as insensate and dead as the mossy marble of their graves.

THE ARCHBISHOP THE GREATEST OF LIVING
FOOLS,

but of all living ones we should judge the prurient Archbishop bears the palm, unless, indeed his folly is surpassed by the foolishness of the Canadian official. It will be a grand result of this affair if it shall send back an army of readers to the pages of this great poet, who will be read so long as the English literature endures, and who in imaginative power is second to scarcely any writer except Homer and Shakespeare."

Oct. 13.

NICE READING FOR CATHOLICS.

In a letter from Vincent Clement he quotes Sir Walter Scott's note to canto II, stanza 25. "It is well known that the religeuse who broke their vows of chastity were subjected to the same penalty as the Roman vestals in a similar case. A small niche sufficient to enclose their bodies was made in the massive wall of the convent, a slender pittance of food and water was deposited in it, and the awful words "Vade in Pace" were the signal for immuring the criminal."

Oct. 14

THE UNIVERSITY VOTE.

"The University, by a vote of ten against eight, continued Marmion on their books. So there were eight noodles in the University; amongst them, Dr. Wilson, the president of the college, the vice-chancellor, Dr. Mulock. He calls on Mr. Crooks to resign his office."

Oct. 17.

HIS GRACE IN A NEW ROLE.

Rails at the back-stairs dictation of the Roman Catholic Archbishop.

Oct. 18.

HIS GRACE LACKS LITERARY CULTURE.

"His Grace's conduct, indeed, has been so indiscreet, so partisan, so unfair, so regardless of learning, culture or refinement, and so dangerous to the true interests of the Catholic Church in Canada, that we venture frankly to recommend the consideration of his Grace's conduct to the Ecclesiastical Council of the Province. But we will challenge his Grace or any other citizen of Toronto to point out anything in the Mail since the beginning of this controversy which has been unkind, unfair, untruthful, ungenerous, or that has not been a legitimate literary argument decently used, and repeat that not a priest," &c., &c.,

AND STANDS ALONE IN THE DISPUTE.

"His Grace is acting quite alone, without the sympathy or support of the hierarchy, the priesthood or the people, and it is this which makes his conduct the more reprehensible and indetensible."

EVERY SCHOOL-BOY LAUGHS AT HIM.

His literary position is laughed at by every school-boy in Canada. He has brought forward the Catholic Church, which prides itself on the healthy purity of its teachings, as the patron of a charge of impurity which every refined and pure mind rejects and which is accepted only by those whose imaginations are too easily excited. Literary criticism refuses him its aid, purity of mind shrinks from the association." . . . (The rest is exceedingly offensive.

Oct. 19.

THE "MAIL" APPEALS TO AN ECCLESIASTICAL
COUNCIL.

"Are we not fully justified in saying that the Ecclesiastical Council of the province should take some action, if for no other purpose than to save the interests of the Catholic Church from being sold?"

Oct. 23rd.

HIS GRACE DEMORALIZING HIS PEOPLE.

"We venture to insist that nine-tenths, at least, of all educated Roman Catholics look on the action of the Archbishop as hasty, indiscreet, unfortunate, and lamentable; on his conduct in the pulpit as undignified and hu-