His coming down upon the Apostles while they were in an upper chamber

in Jerusalem. In various parts of the Epistle to the Romans St Paul likens

"There is one Lord, and one faith, and one baptism, and one God and Father of all who is above all." The really

all who is above all." The really inspired view of the Church was found in

Ephesians, where we were instructed that there is but one faith, one God, one baptism, one Church, and one spirit of God.

tism, one Church, and one spirit of God.
The Church was the body of Christ, and
the Holy Ghost was the life and light of it.
That there could be two true Churches
was an impossibility. "One God, one
faith." Carist no more contemplated the
establishment of two true Churches than
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establishment of two true Churches than He did the establishing of two absurd-ities. The true Church must be clothed with authority. We must know that Christ would not establish contradic-

Christ would not establish contradic-tions. Entering upon the second point of his discourse, the Archbishop con tended that the Caurch is infallible. She could not teach or lead men into

fore the voice of God, which spoke through the Church, governing it in all

members of the Church of Christ on earth, to live after the life of the Holy Church of God, to practice what they preached and believed, to be good neighbors, and good citizans, to retern not evil for evil, but to act with charity to all men. He assured them that if they persevered in so doing they would be members of the Church triumphant.

his G are then addressed himself in affectionate terms to his old-time parishioners. He was very happy to be with them once again. He needed hardly to assure them

those works of beneficence and charity which adorn the edifice of true religion, and are the hand of perfection. The

forgot what manner of man he was. The Rev. Father then spoke in glow-

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It was the Holy Ghost, and there

VISIT OF THE ARCHBISHOP.

Religious Reception. BEAUTIFUL SERMON BY HIS GRACE THE ARCHBISHOP OF TORONTO.

On Saturday morning, the 10th instant, a very solemn ceremony took place in the chapel of St. Joseph's Convent, in this city. One young lady, Miss Hennessy, of Centralia, who had completed years of probation and noviceship, took the solemn vows, and was admitted to the rights and duties of a professed nun by His Grace Most Rev. Atenbishop nun by His Grace Most Rev. Arenbishop Walsh, of Toronto. Her name in religion is Sister Genevieve. Four young ladies also renounced the world and put off its gay ornaments to assume the religious habit, and adopt the rules of the order of St. Joseph. Their names are: Miss Tobin, of Petrolia, to be known heresteath as Sister Sachia. Miss Most henceforth as Sister Sophia; Miss McCann, of this city, in religion Sister Mary Martina; Miss Francesca Mugan, nee Kirwsh, in religion Sister Paula; and Miss Givlin, of Dublin, Oat., in religion

Sister Mary Cleophas. Rev Father Walsh, of Toronto, was the celebrant of Mass, besides whom were present in the sanctuary, Rev. W. Flan-nery, St. Taomss; Rev. M. Brady, Wood stock; Rev. Jos. Bayard, Sarnia; and Rev. Fathers Kennedy and Noonan, of St. Peter's, London. At the close of

the solemn reception and profession His Grace Archbishop Walsh spoke substantially as follows:
"What shall I do that I may have life cverlasting?" Our Lord stil,

*Keep the commandments of God.
But if thou wouldst be perfect go sell all
thou hast and take up thy cross and
follow Me." His Gace said that the
obligation to observe the law of God in its entirety and keep every one of the commandments is incumbent on all Christians who wish to save their im mortal souls. God wishes that all should come to salvation. He wills not the death of the sinner. He died on Calvary in order to open the gates of heaven to all the children of men. The soul of man is made unto the likeness of God man is made unto the inchess of GJa-in its spiritual capacity and powers. It never can die, O2, if we could but real-ize how fleeting is time and how endur-ing is eternity we would make constant efforts to advance in the path of virtue. All are called to be virtuous; all are invited to take on the sweet voke of Christ

but all do not obey the summons. Yet we are told that these who do not obey the law can never enter the kingdom of God. "Narrow is the gate that openeth to eternal life and few there are who find to eternal life and few there are who had it," However, some chosen souls are called to a still more perfect life, designated by the words addressed to the young man in the gospel: "Sell all thou hast, distribute to the poor, take up thy cross and follow Me," Two things are required for the perfect Christian require required for the perfect Christian : renun cistion and imitation. Sell all you have, saith the Lord; follow Me, leave father and mother and the home of your childhood; follow Me, detach yourself from all the endearments of life and home as sociations and pleasures and ease and the vain things of this world. Your soul is worth more than all these. Its value may be esteemed by the immensity of the price that was paid for its redemp-tion. It is, therefore, of infinite value since Jeaus Christ laid down His life for Ob. how true the words : "What will it profit a man to gain the whole world if he lose his immortal soul? O: what exchange can he make for his soul that never dies? "Why, then, are ye solici tous for what ye eat or what ye drink; seek first the kingdom of God and His justice." Our Blessed Lord gave the example.

renounced Heaven. He who holds the universe in the hollow of His hand became a little child for us. There was no room for Him in the inns at Bethle hem, nor in human hearts. He who was rich embraced poverty and lived among the poor. The birds of the air have their nests and the foxes their dens, but the Son of man hath naught but a crown of thorns and a cross. Not even a tomb was allowed Him. He was buried in the tomb which had been prepared for another. But to all those who re-

abandon all desire of earthly pleasures and comforts and satisfactions if ambition the dignity of discipleship, for the command is given: Deny yourself, take up your cross and follow Me. Crucify your lusts and your passions. Keep all the windows of the soul closed that look towards the world. Keep that window open which looks to heaven. He that loveth his life shall lose it and

he that hateth his life shall find it and shall reap everlasting joys. How can we realize the humiliation of God in the Incarnation! He, whose will the stars and the heavens obey, subjects Himself to Joseph and Mary in the retirement of Nazareth! To be perfect we must imitate Him in the loveliness of this humble life. Learn of Me because I am meek and humble of heart. Imitate

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His obedience, for, though God in essence, He became obedient, and ap-pearing in the habit of man was made obedient even unto death. Humility and perfect obedience are most difficult, but are the foundation of all perfection. Unless we are built on that foundation we never can succeed, never can per-severe. He that exalteth himself shall be humbled and he that humbleth him self shall be exalted. All the hetesies that ever arose in God's Church were the results of the pride of some who ex alted themselves like Lucifer, to be cast

down like that fallen angel. God resisteth the proud and giveth grace to the humble. Charity followeth humility and is its handmaid and its crown. We must imitate our blessed Master in His charity towards us, in love and compassion for the just and the unjust, even for those who persecuted Him unto death. And the Apostle tells us we must, above all things,

constant charity one to anothe bear constant charity one to another. If that be so necessary in ordinary life how much more so in a community where perfect happiness is found in the bonds of charity and blessed peace and harden to the state of the state of

mony of feeling and interest, because charity is the bond of perfection, It produces patience to bear with

each other's burdens and resist our dislikings; it brings harmony and peace which the world cannot give. It induceth obedience, of which cur Father, not Lord gives the example. Father, not My will but Thine be done. Oh, how every word of Our Blessed Lord appears like a vision of beauty to show us the way that leads to true happiness! And how short is the service required of us. "In a little while and you shall not see Me and in a little while again and you shall see Me, and your joy no man can take from you." Follow on the narrow path and your reward is great in heaven, Oh may our Heavenly Master give us grace to walk contantly and joyfully and perseveringly in the path which leads to solid contentment in this life and to everlasting repose and endless joy in the

Miss Cassie Roach, organist of St. Mary's, in this city, with her sister, Miss B. Roach, and Miss Bergin, assisted in the choir, and sang very sweetly some classical selections, such as "Holy Mother, Hear My Prayer," and Zingarelli's "Laudate Pueri." The priests in the sanctuary alternated with the choir in singing, at the end, the "l'e Daum Lauda

The parents, relatives and friends o the young ladies admitted to the religious protession were entertained at an elegant dejeuner furnished by the Lady Superioress, and no one present seemed so happy or so perfectly delighted as the young ladies who had renounced the world and crossed the threshold of a life which demands a constant practice stern duty and self-sacrifice in the service of God and His poor.

Reception at the Sacred Heart.

On Saturday afternoon the young lady pupils of the Sacred Heart convent tendered a fitting reception to His Grace Archbishop Walsh. The spacious lecture room and hall of studies was lecture room and hall of studies was tastefully decorated with festoons and garlands of spring flowers that filled the air with delicious fragrance. His Grace entered the hall at 4 o'clock, accompanied by Rev. Father Flannery and Father James Walsh. A grand instrumental trio, with harp accompaniment, greeted the entrance of the distinguished quests. Then a sone of welcame was sung guests. Then a song of welcome was sung in full chorus by almost forty young ladies, with well trained voices, after which Miss Coffey read an address of welcome in very expressive and choice sentences, that told the delight of all the inmates of her Alma Mater, both eachers and pupils, in being privileged to welcome once more a generous and indulgent father who had so many claims

on their love and gratitude.

Another grand chorus was then sung after which His Grace grose and spoke his sentiments of delight in being once more in the midst of children in whom he always took so loving an interest. He was delighted to see so large an at tendance, and, to mark the many sign of progress, he could not help witnessing all round him, His Grace requested the Rev. Superioress to grant a holiday to the pupils, and closed his happy and eloquent emarks by bestowing his episcopal bene

AT THE CATHEDRAL.

On last Sunday His Grace Archbishop Walsh preached at High Mass in St. Peter's Cathedral in this city. We regret we can supply only a brief summary of this most powerful and learned dis-

His Grace based his remarks on a por tion of that touching and pathetic dis-course addressed by our Saviour to the Apostles at the last supper. The distin-guished preacher said that Christ, in those words, had gived to mankind the AT VESPERS

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Rev. Father Walsh, of Toronto, preached a very instructive and practical sermon from the text:

"Be ye doers of the Word, and not the that they should have all manner of sillicitions; they would have to pass through trials and sorrows, but their weeping should be turned to laughing and their sorrows to joy. And as Christ addressed these words to His Apostles, so He addressed them to all ages of the world, and to us; and in them He had sketched out a history of the Church in all time to come. He showed that it would suffer persecutions are the showed that it would suffer persecutions.

AT VESPERS

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"Be ye doers of the Word, and not the eastern part of the city. Thus is beautiful and spacious brick structure will lighted, ventilated and furnished with all modern conveniences, appliances and improvements. Here the chairman of the School Board and several of the trustees received and welcomed the Bishop and veiting clergy. Amongst the latter may be mentioned Rev. Dr. Spetz, President of Formosa; Rev. Father Wanter of the duties which the calls of the dioces nounce home and family ties for to pass through trials and sorrows, but their weeping should be turned to ded-fold reward in this life and life everlasting in the next. Even this renunciation does not suffice. We must renounce ourselves. We must renounce ourselves. We must renounce ourselves. We must renounce ourselves. showed that it would suffer persecution from iniquitous laws, and would be calumniated, but He had promised to uphold them in all their deeds, and eventually the pathway of thorns should be made a pathway of flowers, for He would send them the Spirit of Truth, which was the Holy Ghost, the comforter, to dwell with them forever. It had pleased God to create the world, God the Saviour to redeem it, and God the Holy Ghost, to teach and guide it. The preacher then went on to describe the creation of light and of life, of the harmony in the universe and of man made unto God's own image and likeness. And God "saw that all things were good." Thus had the Almighty good." Thus had the Almighty and the office of Creator, which He would continue to fill to the end of time, keeping everything in harmony by His will manifested in the law. The light of His presence illuminated the stars, and all nature reflected His beauty. Man was the greatest work of God. He was the connecting link between the material and the invisible; the link in the chain of harmony running through God's law. But in an evil hour men had violated this law, and in an doing had fallen from his law, and in so doing had fallen from his high estate. He broke the link and became a ruin and a wreck, and by the breaking of the moral law man not only suffered, but the whole universe felt the shock. "Now, what will undo the evil caused by man's prevarication? Who caused by man's prevarication; who shall restore the world to the first purposes of God?" (The answer was, God Himself. And in order to make right the ruin caused by man's fall, He Himself became a man, and lifted the hearts of men from things temporal to things eternal.

Thus did God purchase us with a great price. The value of a purchase could be told by what it cost. The purchase of mankind hal cost the heart's blood of our Saylour. (Injut had come to says all

mankind had cost the neart's blood of our Saviour. Christ had come to save all men, and to teach great and infallible truths. Before His ascension our Saviour had instituted His Church, that should

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continue to the end the work He had begun. It was to be thoroughly Catholic. "Go and teach all nations, and behold I am with you all days, even to the end of the world." This commission, given to the Aposties, was universal, because it was manifest that the Aposties would die, and it was therefore a corporate body, called the Church, to which these words were spoken. But when Christ instituted the Church for the preaching of the gospel and the administering of sacramental graces, it was as yet a dead body. The Holy Ghost was to be its life, and this Christ had promised again and again On Sanday, the 1st of May, 1887, His On Sanday, the 1st of May, 1887, His Lordship Bishop Dowling was consecrated Bishop in St. Mary's Cathedral, Hamilton, by the late Archbishop Lynch, of Toronto, assisted by their Lordships Bishops Walsh and Carbery. In that short interval two of the above named Bishops have been called to their reward, and Bishop Dowling, who bade farewell on the following morning to the diocess of Hamilton, has, after two years in Poterburgh, been called back to govern the diocese of Hamilton. Thursday, the Holy Ghost was to be its life, and this Christ had promised again and again that He would give. "It is expedient that I should go, but I will send the Comforter, and He will abide with you forever." Was the promise realized? We read of the public official mission of the Holy Ghost to all mankind, and of this coming down upon the Apostles. Peterburgh, been clined back to govern the diocese of Hamilton. Thursday, the 1st inst., was the auniversary of his con-secration, but, as the city priests would be engaged that afternoon in preparations for the devotions to the Sacred Heart on for the devoises to the Sacret and the following Friday morning, the Bishop's festival was anticipated by a concert the previous evening at the Convent of Loretto, to which reference is made as Epistle to the Romans St Paul likens the Church to a man. It is a body with many members, but all have not the same cflice. And so with the Church. follows by the Hamilton Evening Times.

ANNIVERSARY AT LORETTO CONVENT.

The anniversary of the consecration of Bishop Dowling, of this city, was celebrated last evening at Loretto Convent with a musical entertainment given by the pupils. The Bishop and a large number of the clergy were present and took an active interest in the proceedings. The programme included an instrumental selection by Misses Coleman, Shea, Burrow and Devaney; greeting chorus, "Welcome, Father and Protector," instrumental duet, "Welcome, The Wisses Co. J. Misses Co. J. D. "Radiense," by Misses O. D. Crookall and Ronan; floral greeting by Orockait and Ronan; floral greeting by the little ones, including songs by Misses Martin, O'Brien, O'Reilly and Aussem. Miss Gracie Kavanagh presented the Bishop with a magnificent bouquet on behalf of the little ones. The cantata, "The Nations," was agreeably rendered by a large chops of voices. Saveral by a large chorus of voices. Several solos were sung. Sprano selection, "The Meeting of the Waters," by Miss Jennie Maddigan, is deserving of special mention. The Cantata was made up its goings and comings. The speaker strongly denounced those who denied the infallibility of the Caurch, and of representatives of every civilized nation, appropriate costumes being nation, appropriate worn by the young ladies. Very worn by the young ladies. Very pretty effects were created by artistic combinations of the various national emblems. During the evening the pupils presented the Bishop with an address, elegantly bound with cardinal plush with silver hasps, the pages being of veltum and magnificently illuminated by the added that by such an act they reduced the revelation of Christ to the level of human opinion. He then referred to the many nicknames which were hurled the many nicknames which were nurted at the Church, among the earliest of which was Papist. But they availed nothing. Along the pathway of thorns over which the holy Catholic Church had travelled were the ruiss of many man-made religions, and the Caurch had attended the funerals of many such, and would ettend many man. The One and magnificently intiminated by the nuns. Bishop Dowling made a suitable and feeling reply, favoring the young people with much good advice. A banquet was tendered the Bishop and and attended the funerals of many such, and would attend many more. The One True Church would go down to the end of all time blessing mankind. "Behold I am with you all days even to the end." He exhorted his hearers, as members of the Church of Christ on earth, to live after the life of the c'ergy at the conclusion of the enter-

On the following morning (Thursday, the 1st inst.) His Lordship celebrated Mass at 8 o'clock in the cathedral, assisted by Rev. Fathers McEvay, Brady, Hinchey, O Sallivan and Cotey. The children of all the city schools, number-ing about twelve hundred, with their O'Sallivan and Cotey. Th respective teachers, were present at the Mass and sang some beautiful hymns accompanied by the organ. After Mass the Bishop addressed the children, and granted them a holiday. By invitation of the Sisters of St. Joseph the Bishop the city clergy, as well as visiting clergy in attendance, breakfast in St. Joseph's Convent. again. He needed hardly to assure them that they had never been forgotten by him. He had prayed for the living of the diocese, and for the dead, and had come to console them with the thought that he would never forget them. He was much pleased to know the church in London was prospering. Taey would soon have a distinguished prelate to fill his old place, who was in the vigor of years, and would be much better able to attend to the duties which the calls of the diocese The Sisters had at one time expected that the new St. Joseph's hospital would be opened on this day, but as building operations were not yet finished the opening of this institution had to be postponed till the 11th of June, and accordingly the diocesan clergy were notified that there would be no celebration on the 1st of May. Several of the clergy, however, called to pay their respects to His Lordship, and after dinner assisted him at the blessing and inauguration of the new school of St. Thomas Aquinas lasting life. Not the hearers only of the Word, but the actual doers can expect word, but the actual doers can expect salvation. Therefore arises for all men the absolute necessity of practising every virtue inculcated in the Divine Word,

and Rev. Father Coty, local superinten-dent, and all the other city clergy. After the blessing was read by the Bishop a procession was formed and the various rooms and apartments visited in succe sion, the clerical choir in the meantime, under the leadership of Father Brady, singing several hymns, psalms and antiphons. The ceremony concluded by His Lyrdship reciting the Litany of the Blessed Virgin and dedicating the school to Almigthy God, under the special patronage of St. Thomas Aquinas, after which he was pleased to bestow the Pontifical benediction and

virtue inculcated in the Divine Word, and hence the obligation, not only of faith, which comes by hearing, but of good works, without which all faith is dead and all religion a vain conceit. Look up to the Saviour of mankind, and see in Him a perfect model of good works, for He went about doing good, causing the blind too see and the deaf to hear, bringing consolation to the relicted and binding up the wounds and assuaging the ills of the sorrow stricken children of Israel. It is His will and desire that we imitate Him in His charities and career of Heavenly pestow the Ponufical benediction and grant a holiday to the pupils.

This anniversary will, no doubt, be held in joyful remembrance by the pupils of the city schools, and especially by the pupils of the new echool of St. Thomas is his will and desire that we imitate Him in His charities and career of Heavenly mercy. "Be ye followers of Me," He saith: "as I have done, do ye also," And the Sacred Writer, in the test I have desired gives the result of the same way. During the day cordial congratulations were interchanged over the wires between Bishop O'Connor of Peterborough and Bishop Dowling of Hamilton. text I have quoted, gives the reason why Christian faith should be crowned with

PRELIMINARY PREPARATIONS FOR COLLEC TIONS IN AID OF THE NEW PAROCHIAL

HOUSE AND CHURCH OF ST LAWRENCE AT THE LAKE.

which adorn the edifice of true religion, and are the bond of perfection. The reason given by the Apostle is that, if a man be a hearer and not a doer, he shall be compared to a man beholding his own countenance in a glass: "For he beheld himself and went his way, and presently have "yet he was"." On last Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock a couple of dezen of the parishioners of St. Mary's Cathedral met His Lord-ship Bishop Dowling in St. Mary's school to make arrangements in connections with the division of the parish, and also to discuss the best plan for coling terms of the great works of charity of which the Catholic Church lecting funds to pay for new priests' house on Mulberry street. Dif-ferent plans were proposed and will be is the founder and conservator, and of ber of the Christian Church to be what her Divine Founder intended, that he should be saying: "Be ye followers of Me; as I have done, do ye also." submitted to a general meeting in due time, submitted to a general meeting in due time, and the few gentlemen present showed their good-will and generosity by subscribing \$2,500 in aid of the presbytery in course of construction. On Thursday evening at 8 o'clock the Bishop met about Rev. Father Walsh concluded his very Rev. Father Waish concludes his telly eloquent sermon with the words of the Apostle: "Religion clean and undefiled before God and the Fathers is this: To visit the fatherless and widows in their the same number of gentleman at St. Lawrence school to take some action in tribulation — and to keep oneself un-spotted from the world," (St. James, I., 27.) connection with the new church going up on Picton street. The people were delighted that the long looked-for church

was started, and showed their appreciation by subscribing \$3 160, with a promise of more if necessary. A general meeting of the parishioners will be held soon, so that

The funeral obsequies of Father O'Connor, whose sad demise we ctron-icled in the last number, were observed with becoming solemnity in the Catholic church of Maidstone, of which he was paster. The whole body of the church was heavily draped in mourning and bands of sombre hue crossed each other from pillar to pillar, giving to the whole interior a look of awe and sadness, while the remains of the late paster lay in an open casket in front of the Communion rail.

High Mass commenced precisely at The celebrant was Very Rev. Dean Wagner. Ray. Fathers Brennan and Watters acted as descon and sub-deacon, and Rev. Father Tiernan as master of ceremonies. In the sanctuary were Very Rev. D. O'Connor, D. D. Adminis-trator of the Diocese; Very Rev. E. B. trator of the Diocese; very Rev. E. B. Kilroy, D. D.; Rev. Fathers Flannery, St. Thomas; Gerard, Belle River; Dr. Gauthier, Detroit; Watters, Detroit; Corcoran, La Salette; Aboulin, Sand-wich; Brady, Woodstock; Hodgkinson. Woodslee; L'Orient, Ruscomb; Schnei-der, Pointe aux Koones; Ryan, Am-herstburg; Villeneuve, St. Aun's; Bechard, McGregor ; Quigley, Fietcher ; Mc-Keon, Strathroy; Kesly, Mt. Carmel; Molphy, Ingersoll; Bayard, Sarnia; Dixon, Port Lambton; Cummins, Bothwell; Grand, Detroit; and Aylward, St.

The choir, assisted by several priests, rendered the Gregorian Mass of Requiem very effectively and in solemn tones. Mrs. Peter Tiernan presided at

the organ,
At the conclusion of High Mass Rev. At the conclusion of High Mass Rev. Father Ferguson, of Assumption College, accended the pulpit and delivered a very elequent and feeling sermon on the subject of the blessedness of a happy death, dealing especially with the heavenly consolations that attend the death-bed of a pious and self-sacrificing priest, who has faithfully accomplished all his sublime duties—who has fought the good fight, and is just about to enter into full possession of the rich reward into full possession of the rich reward and everlasting crown of glory promised to every one who walketh in the foot steps of Him who is the Eernal Hgh

At noon the remains of Fathe O'Connor were conveyed to the M. C. R. station. The whole parish was present, many in tears, and advanced from the church in form of procession, headed by the Essex Centre Brass Band, which played the "Dead March in Saul," The hearse was preceded by the mem-bers of St. Mary's Branch of the C. M. B. A, wearing badges of mourning. Father O'Connor had been a charter member and first organizer of this Branch in Maidstone. His surviving relatives are thus entitled to the benefice of \$2000.

thus entitled to the benefice of \$2000.

Several priests accompanied the remains as far as St. Taomas, and others proceeded to Toronto, and, with Archbishop Walsb, Very Rev. Fathers Vincent, V. G., Very Rev. Father Rooney, Father McPhilips, with Fathers Tiernan, Brennan, Ryan and Brady, of this Diocese, arrived at Pickering station on the G. T. R. on Wednesday morning, when a pro-R. on Wednesday morning, when a pro cession was again formed to the church where solemn High Mass was celebrated by Rev. Father Jeffcott. Rev. Father Donohue, of St. Michael's College, acted as descon and Rev. Father Cummins, o as descon and Kev. Father Cummins, of Bothwell, as subdeacon. There were also in the sanctuary Very Rev. Father Vin-cent, V. G., Provinctal of the Order of the Basilian Fathere; Very Rev. Dr. O'Con-Toronto.

After the last absolution was pronounced His Grace of Toronto preached a very touching and eloquent sermon, eulogizing the good works and virtues of the lamented deceated priest, who m he claimed as one of his own children, being one of the first and most exemplary of the priests whom His Grace had ordained when Bishop of London. At the conclusion of the solemn obseas one of his own children, being one of

quies held in the church, the procession quies neid in the church, the procession advanced to the Catholic cemetery, where all that is mortal of the late lamented pastor of Maidstone is laid at rest. Although the conviction is strong n us that he is gone but to reap th promised reward, yet Catholic faith and charity must incline us to offer up a fervent prayer for immediate happiness and everlasting rest to his soul.

From our Wingham Correspondent. The death of Rev. Father O'Connor will be universally regretted by all who had the happiness of being acquainted with him, but to the people of the united parishes of Wawanosh, Blyth and Wingham, his memory is especially revered. When these parishes were taken from Irishtown and Ashfield, and formed into a separate mission in 1880, Father O'Connor was appointed parish priest with the parochial residence at Wawanosh, or, as it is now called, St. Augustine. He was the means of getting a post office established where the Church is situated, and had it called after the Patron Saint to whom the Church was dedicated.

Church was dedicated.

In his new charge Father O'Connor found a great deal to be done. A presbytery was to be built, and furnished, and for this purpose a plot of ground had ed. Considerable debt was to be purchas on the church property, and when he left for Maidstone in 1884 it was entirely obliterated. Besides, there was a fine, well-furnished house, and the debt on the Wingham church was mostly paid off, Father O'Connor here evincing a zeal and ability that was shown to such as vantage in his late charge at Maidstone, where during his five or six years' admergau—was blown down during a vio-ministration, he cleared off a debt of lent storm.

If there was anything he 83,000. disliked it was a debt on a church, he worked hard to have it removed.

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more if necessary. A general soon, so that the parishioners will be held soon, so that all will have a chance of enbacribing.

Active preparations are being made for the building of a new brick church at Waterloo, the corner stone of which will be laid in a few weeks. The ceremony of laying the corner stone of the new church of St. Lawrence will take place on the 25th inst., Pentecost Sanday.

LATE FATHER

memory is espacially of the bond of love, of his first parish. The bond of his first dresses presented by the people to their departing pastor and true friend coming from the inmost recesses of their hearts, and conveying but a faint idea of the

general regret.

Father O'Connor was a true friend of Holy Church, his indefatigable zeal, im-pelled by his unostentatious piety and love for his fellow-men, knew no bor No privation was too great, no weather too severe to deter him from going forth to bring the consolations of religion to his scattered flock, whether it was to keep the appoinment for Holy Mass at his distant missions, or to stand

"Beside the bed where parting life was laid, And sorrow, guilt and pain by turns dis-And sorrow, guilt and pain by turns dis-mayed
The reverend champion stood, at his control
Despair and anguish fised the struggling
soul."

For the stray ones of his flock he had, like his Divine Master, a special affec-tion, and spared no efforts to bring them back to the safe retreat of the true fold. His love for the poor was also a pro-minent characteristic of his life, and his mment characteristic of inside, and mis unostentatious charity relieved many of those whom we are told will be "always with us." Besides these many good qualities which I have but imperfectly described, there was about this good priest a sort of personal magnetism that drew all towards him. It was impossible to know him and not to respect and admire him. His kindness and consideration for the feelings of others, his modest, unassuming demeanor, the interest he displayed in the welfare of his people, both spiritual and temporal, endeared him to all, Protestant as well as Catholic, and in thus winning their respect he made no effort.

It was the purity and consistency of his truly Christian life, his universal love, tempered, diguified and enhanced by the office of the holy priestbood, that drew all irresistibly towards him. His character is to some extent aptly described by Goldsmith's immortal lines: "But in his duty prompt at avery call He watched and wept, he prayed and felt

for all,
Andlas a bird each fond endearment tries
To tempt its new fladged offspring to the sxies; He tried each art, improved each dull delay Allured to brigher worlds and led the way."

I will now close my humble effort to pay a last tribute of respect and gratitude to the memory of one of the best of priests, one of the most affectionate of friends. It will not, however, be the last tribute. Loving hands have laid him away in his Loving hands have laid him away in his last resting place, and the little green spot has been watered with the tears of affection, but yet will constantly be sent to the nome of his Heavenly Father prayers from stricken hearts to give him the light of eternal glory, and of the Church heloved so darrly we may say train

dearly we may say traly "Jealous of death, She'il goard him still." LK. Wingham, May 9, 1890. FROM CAPE BRETON.

To the Edstor of Catholic Record :

DRAR SIR-I have much pleasure, indeed, to enclose \$100, as payment in advance for six months' subscription to CATHOLIC RECORD. I cannot be without the reading of your paper, and cannot imagine how one who has perused one or two numbers can be without the RECORD. Any one having the slightest taste for the reading of a Catholic paper must appreciate your's. You can count on me as a permanent subscriber whilst I live and an able to pay my yearly subscription, and the Recht continues to be what it is at present. The Catholics, not only in Ontario but throughout the whole Dominion, should hold you in everbasilian Factors, very fier. Dr. O'connor, Rev. Fathers Brennan, Tiernan and
Brady, of London diocese; R.v. Father
McBrady, C. S. B., R.v. Father Hand, of
Oshawa; R.v. T. McCaull, of Whitby, and
Rev. Fathers Sheehan and McPallipe, of

A convert from Protestantism to our holy religion was received into the Church in this parish a few weeks ago. The young man in question (a stranger) came here last fall and, through curiosity, perhaps, attended Mass, and was so im pressed with the ceremony that he continued attending through the winter until he finally asked to be admitted into the Church. Speaking to him a few days before he left here he said to me:

"Protestants know nothing of Catholic teaching; even the ministers seem to have no idea of what the Catholic Church really teaches. They either do not know any better or misrepresent her teach-

Continuing, he said:
"I had not the remotest idea of what the Catholic Church really teaches, and it is as different from what I expected she taught as black is from white."

"Had you any doubts about your own religion before you joined our Church?" "Yes, I could not believe that the contradictions existing in the Protestant Church were divine, and I felt so disgusted with the teachings of the Protestant churches that I had given up all religion, and I may say I was adrift. religion, and I may say I was adrift. Thank God I have found the true light, and it was well for me I came to this island last fall."

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He bade me good bye, expressing a hope that he would have Catholic prayers offered up to God (from those who knew him) for his perseverance.

"Commit thy way to the Lord, and trust in Him, and He will do it. And He will bring forth thy justice as light and thy undergent as the monday." and thy judgment as the noonday. Descouse, C. B.

The theatre for the performance of the Oberammergau Passion Play this summer is now almost ready, and rehearsals have begun. Josef Mayr again takes the part of Christ. A few days ago a wooden cross, some forty feet high, which has long been a conspicuous object on the summit of the Kofel—a hill which overshadows Oberam-