

The gentlemen under whose control this year's celebration was conducted, were uniting in their efforts to do suitable homage to the memory of their illustrious apostle, and it can truly be said that they achieved a success unprecedented in the annals of the College.

Shortly after one o'clock upwards of one hundred students seated themselves around a well laden table, Mr. P. J. O'Malley occupying the chair, and having on either side, Rev. Father Augier Provincial of the Oblate Order in Canada, and Rev. Father Fayard, Superior of the College, among the other guests present were: Rev. Fathers Balland, Nilles, Griffin, Marsan and Ferron, Prof. Glasmacher, Mr. J. Loranger and others. The menu was an exceptionally well selected one, everything on the sumptuous tables "relishing of good cheer." Great praise, we think is due in this respect, to Rev. Father Gendreau for the interest he manifested in this feature of the programme, and he may congratulate himself on having been eminently successful in catering to the appetites of the banqueters.

When full justice had been done to the tempting bill of fare, the first toast on the programme was introduced. In commenting upon "The Day" the Chairman was very happy, and creditably acquitted himself in what is usually a difficult position to fill. He expatiated at some length upon the labors of the illustrious apostle, in the cause of religion and briefly enumerated his many claims upon the respect and admiration of the Sons of Erin.

Mr. M. F. Fallon in a masterly manner responded, reviewing in a few words the reasons why Irishmen honored the day. Being indebted as we are, he said, to him, whose name we to-day commemorate for our holy faith, it is but natural that we make some return for so great a legacy. He dwelt at some length upon the subject when considered from a national point of view and concluded by requesting the young Irishmen of Ottawa College to be in all things high minded, pure and patriotic.

Mr. J. T. Foley then arose in response to the toast "Present Hopes" and was

very enthusiastically received. During the course of his remarks he referred to the fact that while the dark past of the Irish struggle is hallowed by the blood of martyrs, to-day a more complete sacrifice of personal views and ambition, marks the fight than has ever been found in any similar struggle in the world's history. He also pointed out that if as many believed, God allowed Ireland to be oppressed "for the glory of the faith," the fact that Irishmen are to-day found in every part of the world, is a proof of the accomplishment, in this respect of her mission and a new reason for entertaining "Present Hopes"

Then followed the toast "Canada and the Canadians" to which Mr. Ronald McEachen responded. He said that not only, in the breast of an Irishman, was there joy and emotion on St. Patrick's Day, but in the breasts of many whose eyes had never looked upon the green hills of Erin and in whose veins there coursed not a drop of Irish blood. And among the latter were many Canadians, who were deeply sensible of the many favors received from the sons of St. Patrick. He also portrayed the many advantages, by way of climate, situation and soil, Canada possesses, and proved that there is good reason to hope that she will in the near future attain to a degree of prosperity and distinction surpassed by no other country.

Mr. J. L. Chabot, on behalf of the French Canadians, followed with an admirable speech, which frequently called forth well merited applause. He claimed for his countrymen, a share of the credit of having made Canada, a prosperous and happy country, and its inhabitants an enlightened race, of having sown the seeds of Catholicism in our midst and laid the foundations of our church. In the French Canadians, the best interests of our country have ever found firm and true supporters. He concluded by asking for the co-operation of the members of other nationalities, with their French Canadian friends, and the adoption of Catholicity, as the guiding star of all our actions.

The next toast proposed was "Ireland's