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Seldom, if ever, has Ottawa greeted
the coming of any personage so warmly
as it greeted that of Archbishop Duhamel,
on his return from Rome last week. His
Grace arrived on the evening of Tuesday,
April 9th, and found the city *en fête*
awaiting him. Torches were burning,
banners waving and music playing as the
vast and orderly procession marched to the
Basilica to give thanks for the safe return
of their beloved prelate. The coming
home was that of a conquering general
minus the sorrow which such coming
brings to the hearts of those whom the
hero has widowed and orphaned. Not-
withstanding its great size the Basilica was
incapable of receiving the multitude that
sought admission and many were obliged to
turn sadly away. Present in the sanctuary
were many of the archdiocesan clergy,
officers of the various Catholic societies of
the city, the Mayor, and some members of
the Corporation. After a grand *Te Deum*
had been sung, addresses were read to the
Archbishop in English and French, by
Senator Scott and Alderman Durocher
respectively. His Grace replied at length
and most feelingly, expressing his joy
at being once more in the midst of his
people. Particularly affectionate was his
reference to the honor which he had won
for his Alma Mater. To obtain this, he
said, had been his principal object in visit-
ing Rome; in an audience with the Holy
Father, he had explained to him the
nature of the position held by Ottawa
College in Catholic Canada, whereupon
His Holiness immediately replied that he
would be pleased to give it canonical
erection as a Catholic University. The
Catholics of Ottawa, said His Grace, have
reason to feel deeply grateful to the Holy
See and they have already proved them-
selves sensible of the fact by meeting and
passing resolutions of sympathy with "the
prisoner of the Vatican," and condemna-