"CHRISTIANDS MIHI NOMEN EST, CATHOLICUS VERO COGNOMEN."-"CHRISTIAN IS MY NAME, BUT CATHOLIC MY SURNAME."-St. Pacian, 4th Century.

## FOR THE WEEK ENDING SATURDAY, FEB. 9, 1884.

## **DIOCESE OF HAMILTON.**

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ADDRESS AND PRESENTATION TO THE VERY REV. T. J. DOWLING, VICAR CAPITULAR.

On Tuesday, 29th of January, the priests of the Hamilton diocese were entertained at a banquet given by their worthy Vicar Capitular, the Rev. T. J. Dowling. Notwithstanding the difficulty of travelling, on account of the late snowstorm, still more priests came to Paris than had been really expected. The Right Rev. Monsignor Walsh, Bishop of don with his usual affability kindness of heart, was also present on the scasion. This act of good will and re-spect on the part of His Lordship of London was highly appreciated by the priests of this diocese, and shall not be easily forgotten by the Administrator, who had been so courteously honored by that visit. Immediately after the banquet, an

address of congratulation from the clergy of the diocese was read to the Very Rev. Father Dowling, Vicar Capitular, by the Venerable Dean O'Reilly, in addition to which a purse containing the sum of \$500 was presented by Rev. Chancellor Keough, as a mark of appreciation and esteem, and in recognition of the prudence and wisdom that characterized his Administratorship during the long widowhood of the diocese. The above amount Very Rev. Father Dowling intends to apply in liquidating the debt

The following clergy were present at the banquet :---Venerable Dean O'Reilly, Dundas ; J. Keough, Chancellor of the diocese ; Fathers P. Lennon, Brantford ; W. Lillis and J. J. Craven, Hamilton; Maguire, Galt; J. P. Doherty and Kelly, Arthur; J. Lennon, Brantford; Crinnon, Caledonia, and J. J. Feeney, Dundas; Fathers Feron, Strathroy; and Brady of

Telegrams regretting inability to be present, were received from the follow-ing :-- Rev. Fathers Supple, Boston, Mass.; Venerable Dean Laussie, Walker-Mass.; venerate Dean Lausse, in first ton; F. Lee, Elora; J. Corcoran, Tees-water; F. Cassin, Priceville; F. O'Reilly, Oakville; F. Owens, Ayton; and F. O'Reilly, Macton. THE ADDRESS

To the Very Rev. T. J. Dowling, Ad-ministrator of the Diocese of Hamilton. ministrator of the Diocese of Hamilton. Very Rev. and Dear Father,—Now that the term of your Administratorship is about to close, your fellow priests desire to tender to you their congratu-lations on the efficient manner in which you have discharged the duties of the high trust committed to your keeping, and to assure you that your every act and word, in this connection have met and to assure you that your every act and word, in this connection, have met with their unqualified approval and adequately justify the wisdom of the choice thay had made. Hence it is that the joy which fills our hearts in the presence of the gratifying intelligence that the Diocese will in a few days have passed through the paried of its widow. passed through the period of its widow-hood, is somewhat tempered by the sorrow we experience when we know that the approaching consummation of our dearest wishes is also destined to burg with it the severance of those relations which, for the past twelve months, have subsisted so happily between us. So true it is that there is no picture, however bright, but has its

an honor and a recognition that I cer-tainly do not deserve. The personal qualities you are pleased to ascribe to me are perhaps such as one in my posi-tion ought to have, not such as I claim to possess, and my short and slight ser-vices to the diocese are, I am sure, not such as should entitle me to any such marked compliment as this. But whilst disclaiming any title to personal fitness or efficiency I feel it to be my duty to tank you from my heart for kindly assembling here to day to show your re-ing to a close, with which my humble name has been associated for the last twelve months. My warmest thanks are due to my brother priests (many of name has been associated for the last twelve months. My warmest thanks are due to my brother priests (many of whom have come from afar for that purpose) whilst I owe a special debt of gratitude to our distinguished guest, the Bishop of London, an old and esteemed personal friend of mine and of the dio-case and the devoted and constant of the priest without stain or blemish, personal friend of mine and of the dio-cese and the devoted and constant friend of our late lamented bishop. Two by two passages of holy writ. In looking by two passages of holy writ. In looking at this bright circle of happy friends, symbolizing that unity, charity and devotion to authority which should characterize all good priests, one naturally is led into that train of thought words familiar to us all, and not inaptly suggestive of scenes like this, "O quam and obedience to those who rule and govern the Church of God. words familiar to us all, and not inaptly suggestive of scenes like this, "O quam bonum et quam jucumdum habitare fratres in unum." "Oh how good and pleasant it is for brothers to dwell together in union !" The promotion of that holy union in the diocese has ever been my aim, and its manifestation here to day to some extent has heap my ior and Venerable Dean O'Reilly appropriately replied, and said that he was happy to

to some extent has been my joy and my first and leading thought. My next hought is one of surprise and humiliation. Who am I that you should think of me? ersonal claims to such honors certainly I have none. But seeing as I do, in this demonstration, Rev. Fathers, a desire very key, rather Dowing for kindness received in the past, and concluded by expressing his gratefulness to the Bishop of London for his very kind words, and hoped that his Lordship would enjoy still further many happy years in the Enjscenal office demonstration. Rev. Fathers, a desire to honor not so much the person as the office held, I feel that I owe you my best thanks and most grateful acknow-ledgments for this visible proof of your loyalty to the sacred principle of authori-ty. It justifies the high expectations which I formed of you on the day that which I formed of you on the day that I reluctantly by consented to take office, not for its own sake (for you are all wit-nesses how I sought to avoid it) but for the sake of the clergy who honored me

with their confidence and called on me by their solemnly recorded vote to assume the responsibility. However unworthily I may have discharged the duties of the trust committed to me, I ber his tender care and paternal advice. He also alluded to the courtesy he al-ways received from the Bishop of Lon-don, and was proud to see him present have always tried to follow these two maxims of canon-law: first, to preserve the status quo of the diocese, and 2nd embarrass the coming bishop. I have, moreover, acted on the to day when they were offering a tangible proof of their esteem to the Very Rev. Administrator. The toast, "The clergy of the diocese," principle of taking advice, in all matters of importance, from those who

are older and more experienced, and felt was then proposed and responded to by a delight in doing all in my power to aid the Rev. Father Cleary. He was happy and direct my fellow priests, as far as I knew how, and as often as my humble services or assistance were required. So that if any good has been effected or any progress made in the diocese during my Father Dowling is held by the majority

LETTERS TO EMINENT PERSONS. No. VIII .- To the Most Reverend John Joseph Lynch, R. C. Archbishop of Toronto :

Catholic Record.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR GRACE : It affords me sincere and unalloyed pleasure to include you in the list of my public correspondents at this time, more especially as I have nothing to say which is unbecoming for me to utter, or which will be unpleasant for you to read. Personal acquaintance with you to read. Per-sonal acquaintance with you I have none. Never, indeed, have I even so much as touched the hem of your archiepiscopal garment. But I have attentively watched never source according your fast aviable your course ever since your first arrival in Toronto, about twenty-five years ago, and candor compels me to say that the result of my observation has been to increase my respect for the sacerdotal character, and for the faith of which you are so advented respect for the sacerdotal character, and for the faith of which you are so earnest an exponent. Had the priesthood of past ages been all modeled after your pattern : had they been more like you in spirit and had they been more like you in spirit and in deed, there would have been no neces-sity for a European Reformation, no field for the iconoclastic achievements of "the Monk that shook the world." You have they for the field end of the galevances which I rish landlords have long inflicted upon the peasantry. sity for a European network achievements of "the Monk that shook the world." You have thus far tulfilled your high ecclesiastical mission with the fullest acceptance and honor. You have extorted sincere, if re-l luctant, tributes of respect from persons who, as a general rule, have nc sympathy y for the Catholic faith or its professors. You have pursued a uniform and consist-When occasion

You have pursued a uniform and consist-ent course throughout. When occasion has arisen for you to put forth the weight replied, and said that he was happy to be present to-day when such a practical proof of their appreciation was tendered, by the majority of the priests of the diocese, to the Very Rev. Administrator, Such an act on the part of the clergy, showed that they were unanimous in their love and esteem for him who, for the last twelve months, governed them prudently, wisely, and well. He thanked Very Rev. Father Dowling for kindness received in the past, and concluded by I am bound to admit that—so for as my memory serves me—your influence has always been exerted on the right side.

as having been misspent. Your services as a general rule, are plain and practical homilies, adapted to the understanding of the least intellectual members of your congregation; but they are always fraught with worldly as well as spiritual wisdom, and with advice shich every one of your hearers would do well to follow. You have the faculty of adapting your words to your theme, and, whatever may be the there. to your theme, and, whatever may be the subject of your discourse, none of your listeners can fail to carry away at least one wholesome, practical lesson. You are never dry or turgid. And, on excep-tional occasions, you, have proved that you are capable of rising to a high degree of spiritual eloquence and exaltation. More than once in my hearing have words fermed from you like white must have that any good in the before during my progress made in the diocese during my progress made in the dioces during my progress made in the dioces during my progress made in the dioces during my progress made in the mode of the progress made in the mode material materi materi material

of concern. If you have at all times held the balance of power between Mr. Mowat and the Ontario Opposition, it has been because your own rights and those of your Church were in some way or other You have taken a warm interest in vari-ous social reforms, and have done noble service in the cause of temperance. A of concern. If you have at all times held were appointed coadjutor Bishop of

ous social reforms, and have done noble service in the cause of temperance. A total abstainer yourself—except, of course, in the sacraments of the Church—you the division of the ecclesiastical Province of Quebec, when Toronto was named as never lose an opportunity of inculcating the Metropolitan See of Upper Canada, the doctrine of total abstinence upon others. It has for years been your custom to exact from all the young men and boys over whom you have any influence a sol-amp pladae of betinence upon the doctrine of total abstinence upon to exact from all the young men and boys over whom you have any influence a sol-amp pladae of betinence upon the doctrine of total abstinence upon to exact from all the young men and boys over whom you have any influence a sol-duties of your high office with becoming to exact from all the young men and boys over whom you have any influence a sol-emn pledge of abstinence until they shall dignity and unflagging energy. When the history of Roman Catholicism in this province comes to be written, it will be found that your name must occupy a very prominent place in it. You have never hesitated to spend yourself and your unbetanea for the stord of the great Cause tomed to tamper with the demon that tempts so many to their undoing. You also, as is quite natural and proper, take tomed to tamper with the demon that tempts so many to their undoing. You of admirers, and in the consciousness that you have done your duty. A higher recompense you could not well receive. That you may live long to enjoy the well-merited dignities you have so worthily won, is the sincere wish of many thousands of persons in this country, and of none more sincerely than of

BRANTFORD LETTER.

hierarchy in Fatherland; and I have good in Brantford Father James has made reason to believe that your example has many devoted friends, and though every received in the past, and concluded by expressing his gratefulness to the Bishop of London for his very kind words, and hoped that his Lordship would enjoy still further many happy years in the Episcopal office. The health of the Chancellor of the diocese being proposed, Father Keough rade a suitable reply. He thanked Father Dowling for his past courtesy it gave him to see him so much esteemed by the majority of the clerzy of the dio-cese. He feelingly alluded to the last two decades, have 1 list-men the influence of your ministrations. Bishop Crinnon, who, though gone from them in the body, yet his spirit lived in the last two decades, have 1 list-met to your expositions from the pulpit their hearts, and he would ever remem-ber his tender care and paternal advice. He also alluded to the courtesy he al-wrow seemes that I do not regard my time and kang been misspent. Your sermons, the also alluded to the courtesy he al-wrow seemes that I do not regard my time and hearly space neared rule, are pulpic, are neared paternal advice. He also alluded to the courtesy he al-wrow seemes the plasmer, the ender courtesy he al-wrow seemed to the courtesy he a and hearty welcome when he comes back, Arrangements are being made for a to your intimacy that you are endowed with most pleasing conversational power and that you can at times pour forth a steady stream of kindly and genial humor House. The Very Rev. Father Dowling, steady stream of kindly and genial humor very entertaining to hear. On such occa-sions your sixty-eight years sit lightly upon you. I have heard many a sprightly witticism laid at your door, and some of them, doubtless, were legitimately placed there. 17th of March, to be given in the Opera Father Dowling so early, for since promis

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Dear Fathers :- I am deeply touched at the kindness which prompted this pres-entation and regret very much that I

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dark side, no day, however sunny, but has the night to follow in its wake, no pleasure without its molety of pain. None, indeed, could have understood horoughly than you have how to more thoroughly than you have now to blend the stern justice of the Ruler with the benignity of the Father, the affec-tionate kindness of the Friend. None could have realized more forcibly than you have the beautiful truth that the vacant throne, the only cloud that rested on us of late was one of suspense as to who should fill the place of one for whom sceptre of authority can be wielded consistenly with the olive branch of mercy and peace. It is to give expression to we have so long mourned. Thank God that the mists of doubt and anxiety have our feelings in this connection that we are here to day, and to tell you that, greatly been cleared up, that the cloud of sus-pense has passed away, and that as Ham-ilton hopefully emerges from her widow. as we admire the wisdom which has characterized your conduct throughout the entire period of your administration, hood, and assumes again the garments of gladness as of old, her diocesian sky is we admire still more the paternal benignity, the loving kindness which has marked your every act and which are already radiant with the sunshine which sheds its halo round the name and destined to render the memory of this happy period one of the most pleasing fame of the distinguished Dr. Carbery I am sure you will all join me in wishing "God speed" to his barque over the waters of the Atlantic, and in extending reminiscences, of our lives. In testimony of these assurances we beg your accept-ance of the accompanying purse. The gift is unfortunately a small one; we are consoled, however, by the assurance that you will value it, not for its intrinsic worth, but solely in pursuance of the spirit in which it is presented of a sincere though faint ex-version of the esteem and love in which iniscences' of our lives. In testimony him a right hearty welcome when he comes. In conclusion, permit me, reverend fathers, to express the hope, that, though our relations are soon to be altered, our triendship may ever continue; that we may, as the Apostle directs, "preserve the unity of the spirit in the pression of the esteem and love in which we hold you. That you may be spared bond of peace." and that our new bishop may always find in us those qualities many happy years to your devoted peo-ple and the diocese you have so efficiently good priests so long characteristic of the clergy of Hamilton, namely, obedience to his commands, respect for his authorpresided over is the prayer of your fellow ity and reverence for his high and holy JOHN O'REILY, Dean M. J. MAGUIRE E. LAUSSIE, Dean F. O'REILLY J. KEOUGH, Chan. J. CORCORAN

Again thanking you for your kind sen-timents and good wishes as well as for the Apostles, lacky set up in my church, and thus our work of to day becomes in a certain sense apostolic.

Father Dowling, in concluding his re-marks proposed the health of the Bishop of London.

Bishop Walsh responded in his customary eloquent style. He said that it gave him great pleasure to be present on the occasion reaction and regret very much that I cannot find words to thank the clergy as I would wish for their beautiful address and for the generous testimonial of their esteem which accompanies it. Th's is

pressed the pleasure it gave him to see his Lordship present on the occasion when they were showing "honor to him to whom honor is due." The address was beautifully illumina-

ted, showing the Cross, the Harp and the Shamrock. It was exquisitely finished, and was the work of Mr. Bruce of the city of Hamilton.

qualities, her love of performing works duanties, her love of performing works of charity, her kind words for every one, endeared her to those who had the pleas-ure of her acquaintance. We doubt not her good works have gone before her,

and that she is now in her eternal home, enjoying the reward promised those who follow the counsels of our divine Saviour. We extend to her husband our heartfelt sympathy in his sail bereavement. This world will to him be lonely-very lonely \_without his faithful, loving companion. Her pure spirit will, we trust, be a kindly light, a guiding star, that will lead him

acceptance will soon had Limsell preach-ing to empty pews, and, as a proof that uch is not the nature of your public ort, the pews are always full. True, there are persons—and these, too, of your own faith—who take a less favor-able view of your character and qualifica-tions. No one, as far as I am aware, of this city, peacefully passed away, for-tified by the sacraments of Holy Church. This estimable lady, during her residence in London, made many friends, and indeed this is not at all surprising. To know her was to esteem her; her amiable has attained to so elevated a position as yours should have had to encounter more or less of opposition and obloquy in the process. It is alleged against you that you have too much to do with politics, and that you are vain of your political influence. Worse than this I have never heard laid to your charge. It is not a great matter, even if the charge be well founded, and I believe it has only been put forward by those whose political bias prevents them from looking at the ques-brevents them from looking at the ques-to Paris, whence you ministered in various prevents them from looking at the ques-to Paris of the west, gaining experience, and prevents them from looking at the quest tion with perfect disinterestedness and impartiality. The simple fact I take to be this: that, taking your circumstances and your creed into consideration, the texture of your mind is exceedingly, almost phenomenally, liberal. While

light, a guiding star, that will lead him on, amidst the trials and temptations of earth, to join her once more in the ever-lasting kingdom beyond the skies. The remains were brought to St. Peter's Cathedral on Friday morning, when a requiem mass was celebrated by Rev. Father Tiernan. The revered gentleman referred in touching terms to the deceased lady. A very large cortege of mourners followed the remains to St. Peter's Cemetery.

ity of your utterances, nor the power with which they were set forth. Full of the learning of the cloister, full of the first which springs from no human inspiration, full of the earnestness which deems the conversion of souls and the-welfare of the Church the only things worth striving for, it is only to be expected that you must sometimes proclaim doctrines which find no acceptance with minds different who avers nothing but what meets with universal acceptance will soon find Limself preach-ing to empty pews, and, as a proof that auch is not the nature of your public ora-

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That class of Christians who imagine iastical superiors. In 1855 you were sent on a special mission to Rome, where his Holiness, as a mark of particular favor, endowed you with authority to hear con-fession and grant absolution in all parts of the world. The next year found you set-



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