

dearing title.* "Mary is truly the Star which arose from Jacob, and which being placed above the wide tempestuous sea, shines forth by the merits and example of her life. O you who find yourselves tossed in the tempests of this world turn not your eyes from the brightness of the star, if you would not be overwhelmed by storms. If the winds of temptation rise; if you fall among the rocks of tribulation; look up at the star, call on Mary. *Respice Stellam, voca Mariam.* If you are tossed by the waves of pride, ambition, detraction, jealousy or envy; look up at the star, call on Mary. If anger, covetousness or lust, beat on the vessel of your soul, look up on Mary. If you begin to sink in the gulf of melancholy or despair, think on Mary. In dangers, in distresses, in perplexities, think on Mary, call on Mary. Let her not depart from your mouth, let her not depart from your heart, and that you may obtain the suffrage of her prayers, never depart from the example of her conversation. Whilst you follow her you will never go astray; while you implore her aid, you never sink in despair; when you think on her, you never wander; under her patronage you never fall; under her protection, you need not fear; under her guidance you are not wearied, (Homil 2, on the *Missus est.*)

When the Sermon was over, all present came forward with a holy emulation to deposit their offerings at the foot of the Cross, and a very handsome amount was received for the New Church. On the whole it was a great and blessed day for the people of Ferguson's Cove, and one which will be long remembered in that locality. It was also a day of just pride to the Catholics of Halifax who attended in such numbers, and by their presence and liberal contributions cheered on their brethren in the prosecution of the good work. It is by such acts as these the Catholics of Halifax really elevate themselves in the eyes of the whole community and exhibit the precious fruits of their faith and piety. The Catholics at the Cove owe them their gratitude and their prayers. They are also deeply indebted to our fellow citizens of other communions whose names are to be found in the List of Subscribers and for whose spiritual and temporal welfare they should petition, the throne of grace.

Too much praise cannot be given to the Rev. Mr. Doyle for his indefatigable activity in preparing for the erection of this Church. He must have been amply repaid for his labours by the spectacle of Thursday week.

We had almost forgotten to mention that many of the visitors from Halifax cheerfully offered their services in carrying stones, &c. for the completion of the foundation. Every one seemed eager to have some share in building the House of God. We were proud of them, and we believe that Heaven smiled with approbation on their pious efforts to raise a Sanctuary in honour of the Queen of Angels.

Ave Maris Stella
 Dei Mater Alma
 Atque Semper Virgo
 Felix cæli Porta!

*St. Jerom, from various etymologies, states that the word *Mariam* or *Mary* signifies in Hebrew, a star of the sea, or *bit-ter, sea*, and in Chaldaic a lady.

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A. J. RITCHIE.

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