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**THE CORONATION OATH**

Nous venons de recevoir une petite brochure intitulée : "The declaration against catholic doctrines which accompanies the coronation oath of the British Sovereign", publiée par la "St. Joseph's Branch of the catholic Truth society of Ottawa." Tout catholique qui est sujet britannique devrait lire cette brochure et en comprendre l'essence. On y trouve le serment qu'est obligé de prendre avant de monter sur le trône, celui ou celle qui devient souverain de l'Angleterre, et l'ignominieuse insulte que contient ce serment à l'endroit des catholiques qui comptent plus de sept millions des plus loyaux sujets de l'empire.

Ci-dessous nous donnons textuellement ce serment :

"I, A. B., by the grace of God, King, [or Queen] of Great Britain and Ireland, Defender of the Faith, do solemnly and sincerely in presence of God, profess, testify, and declare, that I do believe that in the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper there is not any Transubstantiation of the elements of bread and wine into the body and blood of Christ, at or after the consecration thereof by any person whatsoever; and that the invocation or adoration of the Virgin Mary or any other Saint, and the Sacrifice of Mass, as they are now used in the Church of Rome, are superstitious and idolatrous. And I do solemnly in the presence of God, profess, testify, and declare, that I do make this Declaration and each and every part thereof, in the plain and ordinary sense of the words read unto me, as they are commonly understood by English Protestants, without any evasion, equivocation, or mental reservation whatsoever, and without any dispensation already granted me for this purpose by the Pope, or any other authority or person whatsoever, or without any hope of any such dispensation from any person or authority whatsoever, or without thinking that I am or can be acquitted before God or man, or absolved of this declaration or any part thereof, although the Pope, or any other person or persons, or power whatsoever, should dispense with or annul the same or declare that it was null and void from the beginning."

En lisant cette déclaration où les sujets catholiques de sa majesté sont si honteusement insultés, ne serait-on pas porté à croire que nous vivons encore dans une ère de barbarie ? Les catholiques ont donc bien raison de demander que cette Déclaration soit abolie. Ils demandent d'être traités avec la même mesure de justice que le sont les autres citoyens de l'empire et en cela ils n'exigent rien d'exorbitant. Que le souverain qui monte sur le trône prenne le serment qu'il maintiendra la religion protestante, nous n'avons rien à y voir comme catholiques.

La partie de la Déclaration dont les catholiques demandent l'abolition est celle qui a rapport à nos croyances religieuses ; celle où nous sommes traités de "superstitieux et d'idolâtres."

M. L'abbé Fallon a droit aux plus chaleureuses félicitations pour avoir pris l'initiative dans cette question qui est de si grande importance pour les catholiques. Il est à souhaiter qu'il recevra l'encouragement auquel il a droit et que ses efforts produiront d'heureux résultats.

**THE P. E. I. MAGAZINE**

Nous accusons réception du numéro 2 du Prince Edward Magazine. C'est un joli pamphlet d'une soixantaine de pages remplies de littérature choisie et très bien rédigé. Il contient plusieurs gravures, entre autres, celle de notre digne lieutenant-gouverneur Howlan. Ce magazine est une nouvelle entreprise dans cette province, et considérant l'habileté des collaborateurs, nous croyons que l'avenir du magazine est assuré.

**ENGLISH SOVEREIGNS**

First William the Norman, Then William his son ; Henry, Stephen, and Henry, Then Richard and John. Next Henry the Third, Edwards, one, two and three, And again, after Richard, Three Henrys, we see. Two Edwards, third Richard, If rightly I guess ; Two Henrys, sixth Edward, Queen Mary, Queen Bess ; Then Jamie, the Scotchman, Then Charles whom they slew, Yet received after Cromwell Another Charles, too. Next James the Second Ascended the throne, Then William and Mary Together came on, Till Anne, Georges four, And fourth William, all past, God sent Queen Victoria May she long be the last. J. Oct. Arsenault

**Assemblée des Instituteurs**

A RUSTICO

La huitième et dernière assemblée des instituteurs de Rustico a eu lieu le 23 mars, à la maison d'école de Rustico Cross Road. Cette école est graduée et sous la direction de Mlle Fabiola Doucet et M. Jérôme A. Gallant.

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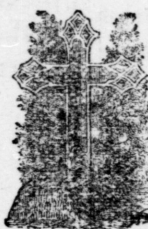
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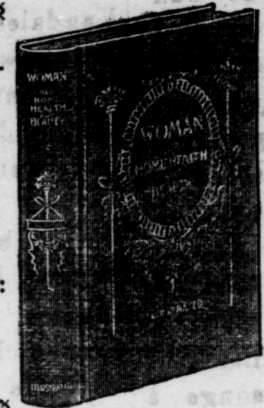
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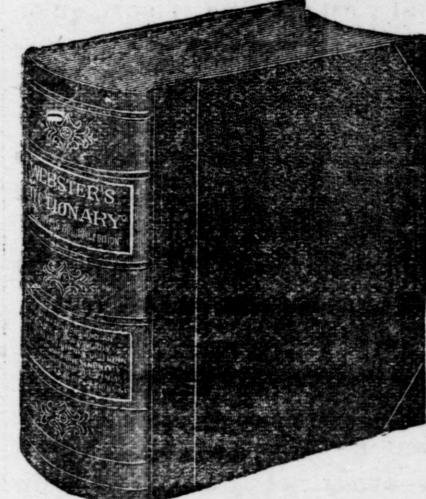
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