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The conductors of this periodical respectfully announce to the Catholic community, and to the public generally, that the work has now reached the **FOURTH VOLUME**, and will be continued with increased efforts, on their part, to render it worthy of universal patronage. The object of the Magazine is to defend and advance the cause of religion, by imparting all such information as may have even a remote bearing upon this vitally important subject; and, hence, a secondary aim of the publication is to aid in the diffusion of a sound literature, by the critical examination of the various works that are issued from the press. The character of these works, which come forth with such profusion at the present day, can be learned by the great proportion of the reading world only from the pages of a periodical review, which enables them, by its condensed exposition of the merit and demerit of authors, to keep pace with the progress of literature, and to appreciate most of the publications that have appeared. This extensive field of investigation also admits of a variety, which embraces every topic of an instructive or interesting nature. To dwell upon the advantages of such a periodical, in general, we deem unnecessary at this moment. The question that more prominently presents itself for consideration, is the fitness of our Magazine for the important ends which have been mentioned: and it is plain that for the decision of this point our testimony is inadmissible. But we are satisfied to rest our claims to public patronage on the attestation of others; on the opinion, not merely of the press throughout the country, but particularly of the *Chief Pastors of the Church* in the United States, who have honored our publication with the most flattering approbation. *Among its contributors are gentlemen eminent for their talents and learning*, and whose services are an earnest of the character which it will sustain. We may observe, in particular, that the Very Rev. Dr. SPALDING, whose extensive erudition and great ability as a writer are well known to the public, has consented to become an associate editor of the Magazine, and will be a regular contributor to its pages.

For the information of those who may not have had an opportunity of examining the periodical, we will mention that, independently of strictly doctrinal articles, it embodies many critical reviews of scientific, historical, and religious works that are issued from the English and American press, as well as other papers which are highly interesting to the general reader. In the pages of the third volume are found able critiques on *Brande's Encyclopedia*, *Palmer's History of the Church*, *Dr. Darbin's Observations in Europe*, *Mayer's Mexico*, *Mr. Webster's Speech on the Girard Will Case*, *Prescott's Conquest of Mexico*, together with other articles of equal interest and importance, such as *The Influence of Catholicity on Civil Liberty*, *The Literary services of the Catholic Clergy*, &c. &c. In addition to all this, it contains an agreeable miscellany of general literature, with a summary of ecclesiastical intelligence, which contributes to the variety of its articles, and at the same time is adapted to the taste of every reader.

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