

Two white veiled Novices take up the dainty sheet and bear the precious burden to Monseigneur, scattering the fragrant blossoms at his feet.

After that graceful expression of filial regard, Monseigneur made haste to speak. By a few impressive words, he convinced his children of the deep joy and gratitude of his hear. He assured them of his continued protection and of his devotion to the noble Institute of the Precious Blood.

"GLOIRE AU SANG." The thrilling hymn, "Glory to the Blood," was then sung with great éclat, by all the Religious, after which the Rev. Clergy reluctantly departed, each one carrying a choice blossom in his hand, fragrant souvenir of the Feast so Leautifully celebrated within the cloistered walls of the "*Précieux Sang*."

It was in the Octave of Christmas. And as Monseigneur and his attendants went forth into the night, even the skies looked pleased and happy. The stars, of themselves a sparkling combination of gold and diamonds, looked brighter than usual.

Of the Entertainment it was said :

"Graceful and original !"

"*Que l'Or se change en Diamant !*"

BY A SPECTATOR.

CONVERSIONS.

NAMES of many notable persons in this and other countries who have embraced the faith, having abandoned Protestantism or Judaism, are recorded in the list of recent converts just made public by the Páulist Fathers.

Among those mentioned are General Wingate, of St-Louis, Mo. ; Governor Woodson, of St. Joseph, Mo. ; Judge Parker, of the United States Circuit Court, and the Rev. Earnest Silicostker, of Lena, Ill., a former minister of the German Lutheran denomination. Mr. Silicostker has announced his intention of entering some Catholic order preparatory to joining the priesthood. The list also contains the name of former Representative Bellamy Storer, of Wisconsin.