

there be any confraternities, the titles by virtue of which they were established.

They will draw up a memorial in which will be inserted the number of their parishioners, and communicants; the amount of tithes and of casual revenue, at average years; whether the sundays and holidays, the fasts and days of abstinence are faithfully observed; whether the sacraments are frequented; whether parents are assiduous in sending their children to catechism and to school; the names of school-masters and school-mistresses, their quality, morals, and general behaviour; whether they admit together in the same school the children of both sexes; whether they exactly teach the diocesan catechism; how many schools there are; whether midwives are instructed, honest, discreet, and whether they know the manner of administering baptism in case of necessity.

They will moreover specify in that memorial, whether there are any tavern-keepers who, on sundays and holidays, sell liquors against the law to the people, and specially to the youth of the parish, and during divine service; whether there are parents who allow in their houses, dances, games, or private meetings contrary to good morals; whether there are any in the parish who neglect to go to confession, and who do not receive at Easter; what is the number of the latter; whether there are any families which are not catholic, and their number; whether there are public scandals, irreconcilable enmities, any who keep concubines, married persons living separate without being authorized so to do by ecclesiastical judgment. In a word, the curate will mention in that memorial all that may be required to give the bishop an accurate knowledge of their parishes, and enable him to remedy the abuses which may have been therein introduced.

It will be easy for each curate to draw up such a memoir conformably to the state of his parish, in consulting the detailed notice, on the subject of the pastoral visitations, which is to be found at the sequel of the order of the visitation made by the vicars general.