



## Current Events

—THE Catholic Summer School at Cliff Haven, N. Y., closed a very successful session on August 31.

—MISS Lucia Faure, a daughter of the late president of France, has written a life of Cardinal Newman.

—THE *North West Review*, the valiant champion of Catholic interests in Manitoba has reappeared on the stage of life.

—THE Holy Father has authorized a formal declaration that he will agree to no reconciliation with Italy, without the restitution of the Temporal Power.

—A LETTER from England, from one of our most valued contributors, ask the fervent prayers of the readers of the MESSENGER for the conversion of Lord Halifax.

—PROTESTANT sects are carrying on an active proselytism in Italy. Leo XIII. has been obliged to intervene; His Holiness has written a letter to the Cardinal-Vicar on the subject.

—HUNGARIAN Catholics celebrated recently the nine hundredth anniversary of the coronation of St-Stephen, their first King, and the official introduction of Christianity into that country.

—A MOVEMENT has been started in the United States against the custom of awarding medals instead of books for prizes in schools. When book-publishers shall have lowered their prices, the movement will succeed.

—A MEMORIAL tablet has been placed on the façade of the house in Ghent, where Mgr Seghers was born, in 1839. The inscription, in Flemish, records the date of his birth and the date of the death, Nov. 27, 1886, "apostle and first martyr of Alaska."

—ONE of the latest institutions in the Anglican Church, says the *Catholic Times*, is the "League of the Mass." Those who join are asked to pledge themselves to hear "Mass" at least..... times in every week, and to receive "Holy Communion" at least .... times in every month. "Holy days of obligation" and Sundays are not to be included, "as the faithful are bound to hear Mass on those days." Will not the readers of the MESSENGER pray for those Anglicans who are groping along so earnestly in the dark, that the full gift of Faith may be given to them?