

force us to write what is almost unnecessary, so well are we aware of your excellent dispositions; but our ardent desire to see you receive a still more abundant share of heavenly blessings, inspires us to say: Courage dear Associates; yes, courage for your own happiness! Courage for the prosperity of our dear Association! Courage for the love of the Most Blessed Sacrament! Courage for the consolation of the Sacred Heart of Jesus! And as the Immaculate Virgin so happily said to the shepherdess of Lourdes, so we now say to you: "I promise you that God will make you happy, if not in this world, at least in the next, where alone true happiness is found."

REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1876.

This year, 1876, began for the Holy Tabernacle Association, by a series of favors which led us to hope for the most magnificent results. In January, several kind benefactors sent handsome New Year's gifts in the shape of silk dresses, pieces of linen and lace, and sums of money. Then, the number of our Associates and active members was considerably increased. Several of the first Catholic ladies in the city, anxious to fulfil the duty of good example imposed upon them by their position, most faithfully attended on the appointed sewing days, contributing time and labor and money. His Lordship Bishop Fabre honored one of our meetings by his presence, and warmly felicitated the Associates on their zeal and perseverance. A few weeks later, came His Lordship Bishop Healy of Portland, bringing to us gifts, and blessings, and congratulations. So many marks of interest and approbation being considered evident proofs of the importance of our work, it was thought advisable to give to its principal and most devoted co-operators, a new title and increased favors. For this purpose the Directress of the Association having consulted His Lordship the Bishop of Montreal, addressed to each of the Associates the following circular:

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