

From a Reader.

— N. Y., June 21, 1898.

REV. DEAR FATHER,—A little boy (son of newly-converted parents) is going to the convent school here, and the good sisters have made a great Catholic of him. He has been saving his pennies quite a while now, and I was very much surprised when he gave me one dollar, and said he wanted it sent to you to say a mass for his papa.

Yours respectfully,

A. F.

A Soldier's Letter.

HONOLULU, HAWAII, JUNE 24, 1898.

Editor Carmelite Review:

MY DEAR FATHER,—We arrived here in good health and spirits. Our regiment boarded the Zealandia at Frisco, and we steamed out of the Golden Gate amid the boom of cannon, playing of bands and well-wishes of the best-hearted people I ever saw. Our fleet carried out 35,000 men. The first mate said the present trip was the calmest in twenty-three years. Seventy-five per cent. of our men were very sick. I luckily escaped sea-sickness. I have never witnessed anything grander than the setting of the sun on the Pacific. Another grand sight at night was the Southern Cross. It is a perfect cross of stars. I could almost believe I saw the outlines of our Lord's crucified body. One of our majors and a captain looked at it with their glasses for fully an hour. The saddest sight was the burial at sea of one of our comrades on the "Senator," a member of the Twenty-third Nebraska Regiment. Our boats stopped for twenty or thirty minutes. Religious exercises were held and then all eyes were turned towards the "Senator." A long chute was extended from the stern of that vessel. Everything was as still as possible, and not a word spoken until a long canvas bag was seen descending down the chute—a splash! that was the end of our comrade. Three volleys were fired, and we steamed away. It was the first time I witnessed a burial at sea, and it was a sad sight. Many a grizzled and hardened face turned aside, and one could hear the remarks on the cruelty of war. We were kept very busy. We arose at six and at seven had breakfast, which consisted of beefsteak, bread and coffee. Then we each took six turns around the ship, which is 387 feet in length. We filled in the time by reading, writing and many light amusements. Arriving here we had an opportunity of attending a military mass, which was very impressive. I hope the cruel war will soon be over, and if the Lord spares and our Lady of Carmel protects me I

will help your good work at Niagara. My next letter will be from Manila.

T. P. M.,
Co. J, 10th U. S. Regiment.

ORITARY.

"Have pity on me, have pity on me, at least you my friends, because the hand of the Lord hath touched me."—Job xix, 21.

We recommend to the pious prayers of our charitable readers the repose of the souls of the following:

MRS. ANNA KEANE.

JOSEPH KEANE.

MRS. CATHERINE SHIELDS.

All the soldiers who have died since the present war began.

MR. B. O'SULLIVAN, an old reader of the CARMELITE REVIEW, a staunch Catholic, respected citizen and devoted husband, who died on April 7th last at Chicago.

And may all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Favors for the New Hospice.

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Oh, what is life? Exile, sorrow, suffering—a holocaust to heavenly hope—an act of faith each day to be repeated! The madman drinks off the full cup; do thou pour thy chalice at thy feet, in sacrifice, and say, I thirst indeed, but I thirst for immortality.—Bossuet.

Falls View.

Falls View station on the Michigan Central, "The Niagara Falls Route."

Located on the Canadian bank of the river, about 100 feet above and overlooking the Horseshoe Falls. The Upper Rapids, Goat Island, the Three Sister Islands, the American Falls and the Gorge below, are seen to the best advantage from this point, at which all day trains stop from five to ten minutes, affording passengers a most comprehensive and satisfactory view of the Great Cataract and surroundings. Falls View is in the immediate vicinity of the Monastery of the Carmelite Fathers and Loretto Convent, and this station is used by visitors to these institutions.