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We have received from the publishing house of P. Tequi, 29 rue du Tournon, Paris, France, an exhaustive biography of *Blessed Theophilus de Corte*, who was beatified by the Holy Father with the usual splendid ceremonies on January 25th of this year. A full account of the ceremonies was published in the *Boston Pilot* of the 15th of February. The life is written by the superior of the Seminary of Aix, the Very Rev. Abbe Abeau. It is illustrated with a portrait taken in the lifetime of the saint and many original wood cuts.

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Ochide.—A novel by Lelia Hardin Bugg. Published by B. Herder, St. Louis. Fine illuminated cloth binding, \$1.50.

The first effort of a new Catholic novelist, who is true to her high calling, always deserves credit. We are naturally inclined to hail any new competitor in this field, which is so much in need of cultivation. But criticism becomes a grateful task when the work is really meritorious, as it is in this case. The story is one of high motives and noble deeds. The heroine is an unusually heroic type of the American girl. She is educated in a French convent, enters New York society as a rich heiress, falls in love with the wrong man, an English Lord, runs the greatest risk of entering upon a mixed marriage: is saved by the grace of a noble act of justice, and obtains, as a reward, the highest of all graces on earth, that of being numbered among the consecrated spouses of Our Lord. A wholesome tale, full of pathos, and containing many a page of clever thoughts upon our modern questions. The author tries to disarm adverse criticism by an After-Thought, in which she answers beforehand, and in an admirable fashion, the possible fault-finding of the critics.

The *New Mission Book* published by the same firm (B. Herder) is far superior to the old mission book not only because it con-