

THE LEAGUE AT HOME.

St. Mary's Cathedral, Hamilton.

Dear Messenger,—For two years now the Holy League has been advancing with rapid strides in the Ambitious City. The Promoters have worked with untiring zeal to propagate this beautiful devotion, and have succeeded far beyond the most sanguine expectations in encircling the Heart of our Beloved Redeemer with a phalanx of worshippers. To appreciate the marvellous good it has wrought in our Cathedral parish, one should see the multitude of people, men and women, who approach the Holy Table on the first Sunday of each month.

Sunday the 3rd was a day of celebration for our Centre. At the regular monthly meeting of the Associates held in the Cathedral, it was announced to the Promoters by Rev. Local Director that their long cherished desire would be gratified by the solemn conferring of the diplomas and crosses, to which every Promoter, after due probation, is entitled. His Lordship Bishop Dowling had kindly consented to preside at the ceremony, and the Rev. Central Director would be present, and preach the sermon for the occasion.

A dense assemblage, for the most part Associates, thronged the Cathedral at the evening service. The choir executed the vesper chants in best form, after which Rev. Father Connolly, S.J., preached an able and eloquent sermon on the love of God for man as manifested in the Sacred Heart of Jesus. At the end, addressing the Promoters directly, he said that the Church, ever grateful for the assistance she received from her zealous lay-children, was about to open to them her treasury in recognition of their services spreading a work so dear to her heart and productive of such immense good. She was