



Current Events



he Dawn of Pilgrimages. — The season augurs well. At the present moment we have already entered twelve applications more than at the same date last year. May the pastors and the faithful, according to the desire of his Holiness Leo XIII, undertake pilgrimages in order to prepare and accomplish the imposing manifestation of faith, love and reparation for expiating the sins of the closing century and consecrating to God the one about to begin.



Works and projects. — With the month of March preparations are being made for the pilgrimage season. In the basilica the stalls in the choir are finished. Painters and sculptors have striven to do fine and rich work. The new episcopal throne which has been in the workshop for a year as well as the dais under which the insignia of the basilica will figure produce a good effect in the sanctuary : they are the crowning piece of the woodwork and break the monotony of the lines. The insignia of the basilica, that is the silken tent and the cartouch supporting the bell, will hereafter figure in large processions.