

NOTES AND COMMENTS

Georgetown College, the Jesuit University of the District of Columbia, has, as a mark of gratitude on the part of the Order, conferred the degree of Doctor of Divinity on Rev. William Flannery, Pastor of St. Thomas, diocese of London, Ont. Father Flannery has deserved well of the Society of Jesus and of the Church, and the tribute is looked upon as but a weak expression of the grateful feelings of all the members of the Society for his able and persistent defence of their interests and good name. Some time before his death, Father Anderledy, the late General of the Society, had written to him from Fiesole to thank him in the name of all the members of the Order throughout the world. On the occasion of the conferring of the doctorate, addresses were presented to Father Flannery on behalf of the priests of London, on behalf of the parish of St. Thomas by the Sodality and by the school. We offer the Doctor the warmest congratulations of the *Messenger*, and the prayers of its readers, that God may prolong *ad multos annos* so useful a career.

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At a meeting of the New London (Conn.) Board of Trade, a very cordial feeling was shown towards the Catholic Summer Assembly. It was resolved to extend a hearty and cordial welcome to the members and visitors to the Assembly, and to aid in every way possible the local committee in making their visit pleasant and profitable. It is to be hoped that the idea of having their annual meeting somewhere among the Thousand Islands has not been definitely abandoned, so that it may partake of an international character as originally proposed by the organizers.