

« *Whatsoever you will ask the Father in my name, that will I do.* (Jo. xiv) Judging from the past, might we not likewise say to you pious pilgrims : « *Whatsoever you will ask Jesus Christ in Saint Ann's name, you will receive it ?* » Does that mean that you shall no longer encounter the cross through life ? God forbid ! The cross is the key of Heaven, and you should glory in carrying it. We promise you that Saint Ann will obtain for you an augmentation of faith, hope and charity : the cross of sanctity, the anchor of hope, and the heart of undying love. At that fountain of grace, you will receive strength and courage of soul ; and, if necessary to your eternal salvation, dear Saint Ann will free you from all corporal infirmities. Have but a little faith and confidence, ask and you shall receive.

Sunday 2nd. — An eye witness would have thought himself gazing upon one of the many scenes of the XIII century, when thousands could be seen flocking to the Patriarch of Assisi, asking to be invested with the garb of penance, the coarse franciscain frock. About five hundred persons of the Third Order of St. Francis of St. Sauveur, Quebec, had come on their annual pilgrimage to Saint Ann. What a source of edification to see these good fathers and mothers, accompanied by their children, visiting the Shrine, the chapels, the old church, the Sala Sancta, beseeching God's grace for strength to do penance in this life in order to find salvation in the next. On account of the threatening rain, the customary procession around the park did not take place. May Good Saint Ann bless that penitential Order, may its number increase among our Catholic people.

That same day the Parish priest of St. Jean Baptiste, Quebec, guided four hundred and fifty Children of Mary to the Shrine. God grant that their prayers were answered, and peace will reign in their homes, their parents will be happy, their zealous pastor consoled, and the Church will be honored by their future exemplary conduct.

Tuesday 4th. — Fond memories of old college days return to gladden the heart at the sight of more than four hundred collegians marching along the pier. They had come by boat from Levis, and entered the Basilica, headed by the college band playing beautiful airs. They all received Holy Communion most devoutly. Saint Ann must have generously rewarded their long trying fast ; for a ride of twenty two miles on a very slow boat, with a fresh breeze ahead, is no small test for a boy's stomach to be put to. One young man fainted, and on recovering he would not hear of taking any refreshments until he had