

LETTER FROM ROME.

Rome, Oct. 3, 1906. After our long interesting journey we are at last in Rome, the eternal city. At once we proceeded to St. Peter's and prostrated ourselves at the tomb of the apostles, in thanksgiving for the happy termination of our journey through Europe. We spent some time in contemplating this vast and wonderful cathedral and the Vatican palace adjoining. Every part of these sacred edifices has furnished material for volumes of literature and history. On all sides are met the great works of art, created by mighty geniuses and enlivened by the most gifted pens. The vastness of the interior of St. Peter's can best be judged by standing in the centre and viewing in turn, the huge pillars, the lofty vaulted ceilings, the mighty dome, reaching with majestic form towards the sky, balanced between heaven and earth with consummate skill, all which attest the marvellous genius and saintly ambition of Julius II., Paul IV., Michael Angelo, Raphael, etc. The masterpieces of art, that so harmoniously adorn the interior, illustrate the history of the Redemption, of the Church and of virtues and miracles of the saints.

In the Vatican Chapel in the right transept directly opposite the tomb of the Apostles, the great Council of the Vatican was held in 1869. As we viewed the historic place our imagination portrayed that vast concourse of distinguished prelates and theologians of the world, deliberating, discussing and defining many important questions, the vital question being Papal Infallibility and Fancy, did easily gather the millions of faithful throughout the universe bending in reverence and obedience to the Decrees of the Council. Having satisfied our holy desires to see those venerable places, we proceeded to the Canadian College—our home whilst here. Presenting our credentials we were received with much kindness and made feel at home by the good Superior and Fathers of St. Salpice.

Here we had the pleasure of meeting His Excellency Mgr. Sharetti, Apostolic Delegate to Canada. Next day we visited Archbishop Langevin of St. Boniface, and Bishop Domett, of New Westminster, accompanied by a number of Ontario Fathers, who are attending a Chapter of their Order, in the Eternal City.

The morning after our arrival, we said a Mass of Thanksgiving in the Church of St. Mary Major, and on the following days at the Basilica and the Mamertine Prison near the ancient Roman Forum.

We visited many churches whose exterior, though ancient and weather beaten, are still stately while their interior are rich with royal magnificence. The walls, pillars and domes are richly wrought in glittering and figured mosaics, while the innumerable masterpieces of sculptured marble paintings and inscriptions form a marvellous array of subjects, taken from Holy Scripture and Sacred History, and the altars and shrines glitter with gold and precious stones, the accumulated donations of ages. Evidently "Rome was not built in a day." All languages of the world are spoken in Rome. People of all nations and races are crowding the streets, ancient ruins and churches, gazing, wondering, praying and studying. The priests in their elegant and shining vestments, at the canon hour, and the people, especially at the evening hour, listen in awe and rapture to the heavenly swell of the Divine chant. Today, Oct. 4th, the Feast of St. Francis Assisi, the Franciscan Fathers celebrated Solemn High Mass, in honor of the stigmata of St. Francis. The relics of the saint were exposed in a richly adorned shrine, while prelates and priests, in gorgeous vestments, men in livery, young

people in uniforms, bore aloft ornamented candles, crosses, statues and emblems.

We visited the Coliseum the second time yesterday. It stands an awful monument amid the ruins of ancient Rome. We tread with stilled voice and reverential step over the sand of the Arena, stained with the blood of so many martyrs and strive to picture that long and glorious procession of heroic souls who soared from here to claim the martyr's crown. As we gaze and gaze the involuntary invocation rises to our lips and thence heavenward, illustrating the sweetness of the "Communion of Saints."

ENGLISH RELIGIOUS TOLERANCE.

The London Times recently claimed for England that, "It is the splendid tradition of British administration to show due regard to the dominant forms of religious belief in a given district," and that "all the world over we (England) can point to dependencies of colonies where the Pax Britannica has meant that local religious beliefs shall neither be insulted on the spot nor wounded by any action initiated at home." In reference to which boss; the Tablet presents "the other side of the picture" as follows: "The King, as a condition of his reign, was forced, and at the most solemn moment of his reign, to use language of blasphemous abuse in regard to all that is held most sacred by his twelve million Catholic subjects. That outrage committed at the beginning of every reign has no parallel in Europe. Then consider that no Catholic may be Lord Lieutenant in Ireland—that is, because the people of Ireland are Catholics, therefore the King's representative must be a Protestant. In a Catholic land (Ireland) the religion of the people is so penalized that no Catholic can ever be Viceroy. In England, too, the Lord Chancellor may be anything—provided he is not a Catholic. And in the face of these gross exhibitions of bigotry, we feel entitled periodically to lecture other peoples about the advantages of religious tolerance."

That is so, and it has been always England's way—lecturing other peoples on religious tolerance and "fair play" generally, while in her own conduct at home setting example of the opposite, at least in regard to Catholics.—N. Y. Freeman's Journal.

A CHANGE FOR THE BETTER.

"It used to be considered quite the thing for gentlemen of business matters over a bottle," says the Catholic Union and Times. "Many a merchant kept a little supply of liquor near him to oil the machinery of negotiation. Then there came a time when customers were invited out to discuss business over a social glass. All this has passed away to a great extent, and now, at the most, an invitation to lunch may be given, though very often even that at the middle of the day business men will not touch intoxicants, and are very unfavorably impressed by those who indulge in any way freely. It is sometimes said that a social vice only really disappears when it has become unfashionable, or not quite the thing to do. It is a welcome modification in social life that has brought about the present state of affairs. There seems no doubt that it will be deeply effective—more deeply even than moral considerations, perhaps—in eradicating the last traces of certain extremely regrettable customs."

DEED. SIMPSON.—At Owen Sound, on the 4th Oct. 1906, by drawing Mr. Robert Simpson, assistant foreman C. P. R. Aged thirty four years. May his soul rest in peace!

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