



THE MEN'S LEAGUE.

MORNING OFFERING.

NOW, Father, I am persuaded that the temperance clause, far from being an obstacle, ought to be an inducement to every public spirited man to enter the ranks of the Men's League. It places at his disposal such a simple, practical and influential organization for helping on the spiritual and temporal welfare of his fellow-man. You have rolled away the stone from the door which opens to the treasures of the Holy League; but, behold, on the very threshold, I see facing me the morning offering, with a host of difficulties.

You tell me it is the fundamental practice and the only essential condition for gaining the spiritual favors of the Holy League. How can an offering of the Sacred Heart, made at morning, and a mere mental offering at that, be the door to so many graces and privileges? How can it be the foundation of a world-wide organization like the Apostleship of Prayer? Instead of fostering among its members a spirit of prayer, does it not seem to dispense with prayer altogether by attaching the treasures of grace and of glory, of time and of eternity to a breath of wind, to a simple offering of the heart to the Heart of Jesus?"

Dear Associate of the Men's League, I am thankful to you for having broached such an important topic as the Morning Offering. Your desire to understand its real significance is a test of your earnestness and a pledge of