LETTER FROM FATHER MUGAN. We have reached Paris, and have spent a lew days amidst its churches, convents, palaces and beautiful gar dens. We left London in good shape, having a better idea of the immensity of the world. We were very much in terested in the innumerable places in and about London, immortalized by We have reached Paris, and have spent a lew days amidst its churches, convents, palaces and beautiful gar dens. We left London in good shape, having a better idea of the immensity of the world. We were very much in-terested in the innumerable places in and about London, immortalized by historians and writers. During the twenty centuries gone by there have been enacted in that huge metropolis, deeds, the most glorious, the most heroic, the most patriotic and the most heroic, the most patriotic and the most beneficent: likewise crimes public and private, the bloodlest, most disgraceful and tyrannical, many of which acts, whether glorious or ignoble, still live in gold or marble. One of my companions stopped at the

One of my companions stopped at the head of Westminster Bridge, before a fine statue of Queen Boadicea in her war-chariot, who so long and val-iantly resisted the Roman Invasion, and gazing intently, my friend re-mated the contin encyphere with telling are statue of the same of the ing the distant subarbs like London, and there are over three thousand priests, and even on the streets they and gazing intently, my friend re-peated the poetic prophecy with telling emphasis.

When the British warrior Queen. Bleeding from the Roman rods, Nought with an indigcant mien Counsel from her country's goda,

Rome shall perish ! Write that sentence Ever biszoned on her crest. Death, destruction, swifter vengeance, Shall transfix her haughty breast."

History so often repeats itself and will again.

At the great Cathedral of Canter-At the great Cathedral of Canter-bury, our thoughts reverted to King, Ethelbert, St. Augustine and to the long line of saintly Archbishops of Canterbury and Primates of England-then to Henry II. and to the Martyred a Becket, to Henry the VIII. and his willing tool, Thomas Cranmer, of un-happy memory-then to poor Cardinal Pole and to the subsequent history of this far famed edifice. St. Martin's church in Canterbury is said to be the oldest church in England, having been built during the Roman occupation, built during the Roman occupation, early in the 5th century. From Dover to Calais is fifteen miles,

across the straits of Dover. This is the historic passage between England and France since Caesar led the Roman Legions from Gaul to the Conquest of Britain 55, B. C.

The passage was quite rough ; how ever, we escaped all inconvenience by following a friends advice, to stay on deck, keeping to the centre as much as deck, keeping to the centre as much as possible, watching the bow and plung-ing with the boat. Calais reminds us of Qaebec, built on the side of a high cliff. On landing we realized we were beyond the confines of the British Empire, and in France

"The chosen home of chivalry The garden of Romance."

Everything French-language, build

At Amiens we had time to visit its noble Cathedral, one of the largest in Europe, its ceiling being higher than the summit of the cross on St. Mary's Church spire, London, Ont., while its noble is more than twice that high. spire is more than twice that high. In another hour we reached Rouen, the ancient capital of Normandy, said to be the next most interesting city in France, after Paris. The spire of its great Cathedral is more than 100 feet higher than that of Amiens reaching 465 feet. Its front portals are pro-fusely decorated in Roman architectural and emblematic designs, and the rich rose windows in both these Cathedrals re remarkable and date back to the thirteenth century. It was in this city that poor Joan of Arc was burned, 1431.

A water fountain surmounted by her statue marks the spot, and, as we read the inscription, we feel a thrill of sadthe inscription, we feel a thrill of sad-ness. It is consoling, however, to know that she has been canonized and her rolden statan emanted are a solitic provident statan emanted are a solitic provident to the solition measurement of the soliting measure golden statue mounted on a golden charger, waving her white silken banner towards Orleans, graces the superb gardens of the Louvre in Paris.

gardens of the Louvre in Paris. At last we reached Paris, by swiftly moving and crowded train, landing in relation, insorready and architecturally; barned by the Ger man shells and demolished by the Com-munes in 1871, it was rebuilt can we say of Paris? We were delight-can we say of Paris? We were delightcent monument erected to Lafay ed with Dablin, were charmed with Edinburgh, were bewildered with Lon ette and George Washington, in the garden of the Tuilleries, we met a friendly and interesting party of American travellers with whom we don, but we are enchanted with Paris. Being refreshed by a good night's rest, we started out next morning and soon met the Cathedral of Notre Dame. spent some time, talking and even laughing in English, which was a great treat, after having heard nothing but Here is a stately, magnificent edifice, the pride of Paris, with its ponderous French for several days. French is not quite necessary for a traveller in Paris towers, its heavy walls and pillars, its grained marble ceiling, its flying ball resses, its graceful central spire and its but it is very useful. As many English-men and Americans do not understand French we find ourselves acting as inrichly decorated Gothic architecture. It has twenty eight inner chapels richly furnished with works of art. Everything, however, bears the impress of time, most of it being built about seven hundred years ago, and thou h it shows the durability of time it does not reflect the brightness - I his satisfaction, when he said. sir, these Frenchmen sometimes make you mad, but meeting a good Irishman always makes you glad." dare not say the beauty-of our modern churches. In this sanctuary, took place in 1805 the coronation of Napoleon Bonaparte and the Empress Josephine CALUMNIATORS PUNISHED. in presence of Pope Pius ViI. and a host of Cardinals, Prelates and Nobles, a The avidity with which the liberal (?) press of Italy receives and publishes most brilliant scene, forming the sub-ject of Ruben's greatest painting in calumnies against ecclesiastics is now almost equalled by the celority with which they are refuted. Louvre. We were shown the treasures of the Church, rich with royal munifi-cence; souvenirs of saints and sainted The arrest of a North Italy curate on martyrs, among which are the blood-stained robes of Archbishop Dar-boy, executed by the Commune during the Red Rebellion of 1871. the charge of having poisoned the chalice of his parish priest is still fresh in our memories. His liberation and vindication with a thousand apologies Notre Dame stands on an island in the middle of the Seine, and almost scarcely compensated for the agony suffered by the accused. This week a similar instance has in the heart of the city, surrounded by many other stately buildings on the same island. I think there are at least taken place in Savona. Some malicious individuals having conspired to ruin a dozen churches, within five minutes walk of it. Most of the churches in the reputation of a worthy and zealous priest by setting afloat slanderous re-ports, the victim of their calumny, Paris are vast and costly structures, Rev. Don Ratti, resolved to spend his rich in outward finish, grand and im-Rev. Don Ratti, resolved to spend his last cent to obtain justice. The matter was investigated by the civil tribunal behind closed doors, and the criminals have met with their deserts. After a long and patient hearing, the judges sentenced Joseph Calandrone and Alcide Naser to six months' imprison-ment each while the chief delinauent posing in their interior, such are the Madeleine and churches of St. Angela, Clotilde, Francis and the Sacred Heart, this church being the head quarters of League of the Sacred Heart." I said Mass one Sanday on a side altar, in the church of Notre Dame de Victoires where a miraculous cure had ment each, while the chief delinquent. Simon Volta, is to have the special surtaken place during the previous week. A young girl had made a pilgrimage to Lourdes without receiving the use of veillance on the part of Italian detecdecision because, though calumnies against Italian clergymen frequently find their way into the American press, the refutation of the same rarely folher limbs which had been crippled for years. On her return she visited this church still hopeful, when she was suddenly restored to health, walked through the Church, and threw herself lows .-- Philadelphia Catholic Union and at the foot of this altar. Judging from | Times.

seats are made of wood, light a d mov seats are made of wood, light a d.mov-able, enabling worshippers to use them at pleasure. On reaching the Church and Seminary of St. Sulpice, we pre-sented our letters and were received most kindly by the good Fathers, who made us feel as perfectly at home as if we were in the Grand Seminary at Montreal. This home like friendship was I can assure you fully appreciated. was, I can assure you, fully appreciated, and I wish to put on record this tribute of our gratitude to the saintly priests are clad in cassock, cincture and Roman hat. All are busy in their churches and everything goes on quietly and with great devotion. We attended solemn High Mass in Notre Dame and other churches. The grandeur of the vestments, the attendants clad in uniform, the altar boys so perfectly trained and the solemn plain chant impresses us profoundly with the beauty of the old religion "ever new." The priests are all of one opinion regarding the policy of the Church and the Government. The situation does not seem to them serious, they say our newspaper reports should not be relied upon. We saw one church, St. Eustatius, near the big market, where the sacristy door was split open to make the inventory. The

people made resistance but no one was injured. Whoever has visited Paris at this season of the year will understand what a wealth of beauty meets one's eye. The palaces and boulevards are is their beingthet armar, the flowers in eye. The palaces and boundary, in in their brightest array, the flowers, in the groves have their richest hue, and the groves have added to their peerless green, the splendor of autumnal tints. In the heart of the city are the palaces of the Louvre, filled with treasures of art, of science, of antiquitressures of arc, of science, of antiqui-ties. Surrounding them on three sides is the city proper, with buildings ex-actly uniform, fronted with long rows of pillars and open porticoes. We were shown the exact spot in the Tuilleries,

shown the exact spot in the Tuilleries, where stood the palace of Napoleon III. from where the Empress Eugenie escaped in 1871. Continuing without interruption, are the Elysian Fields (champs Elysècs), and boolevards ex-tending from the Temple of Concord to the place where the obelisk of Luxor marks the fated spot where Louis XVI. and his (beautiful Queen, Marie Antoinette, with thousands more, were guillotined.

were guillotined. Through a maze of drives, we pass groves, fountains, gardens, etc., until we come to the "Palace of St. Cloud," then on for twelve miles reaching the Palace of Versailles, both magnificent in conception and execution. The Chamber of Deputies (House of Com-The mons) is also a costly and luxurious array of buildings. The Hotel des Invalides contains the grand National Royal chapel, attended by several priests. In an adjoining chapel, under the grand dome is the circle, containing the tomb of Napoleon Bonaparte, in a massive Sarcophagus, with emblematic statues standing sentinel. This rich creation of polished and glittering art, with the superb, high altar, reflects its gold and jewelled decorations in the flood of brilliant light from the lofty dome. We visited the Bourse Stock

ceiving messages on the fish poles of the attendants. The City Hall-Hotel de Ville-is one of the most interesting buildings in Paris, historically

## THE CATHOLIC RECORD.

## CATHOLIC CONFESSIONAL AND THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE.

We present this week to our readers the following additional testimonials regarding the book lately published by Rev. Father McKeon, P. P., St. Columban, Ont.

Columbab, Oct. Barrie, Ont., Oct. 4th, 1906. My Dear Father McKeon — I have read a great many treatises on the Confessional but none of them meets the wants of our times as yours does. It is a complete refutation in a popular, incisive and instructive style of all the objections that have been brought against this institution of mercy, and at the same time is a profound dissertation on the unchanging principles of revealed ethics and wish you every success. Rev. J. J. EAGEN, Dean of Barrie.

Dean of Barrie. My Dear Father McKeon — We are all simply delighted with the style and treatment of your unanewerable thesis on 'The Catholic Con-tessional' Is far excels any other treatise on the subject that we have read. Needless to say that your friends at 'The Pines' are proud of you, and we all applaud the flattering com-mendations of good Bishop McEvay and Car-dinal Gibbons, as a just meed of praise. May your bocklet do an Aposite's work, and may we soon have another from your glited ham, Ont.

## DIOCESE OF LONDON.

PARISH OF WALLACEBUR

DIUCESE OF LUNDUX. PARISH OF WALLACEBURG. During the past two months Rex. Father Brady the estnest and zealous pastor of the Church of "Our Lody of Help 'of this town has been busly occupied in having his church completely renovated. It now stands "A temple of grandeur to the Lord' being equalled in besury by few of the churches in this coun-try and surpassed by none. While the decoration was in progress the particular passed by none. While the decoration of the two the scattering of the two the churches in this coun-try and surpassed by none. While the decoration of the two the scattering of the two the two the scattering of the two most noted church decorators of Americs, Charles pel Guerido and Jerome Carcelli, but not one gimes might be had so completely did the scattering hite the scatter of the work inter the framework was removed a com-net picture was revealed, a picture that can very poorly be described in words. On enering the front doors are aver the main altar is that of "Our Lady of Heip 'holding in her arms her Divine Child on ether side of the main faure is an angel presenting to the Blessed Virgin the Cross, spear, Ince and sponge symbols of Christ's passion. The whole central group isenthrough on the light shad be bead when be the clouds throws into prominence the entire group and gives in the appearance of being suspended how the share the sate strike skill prove the share Blessed Virgin the Cross, spear, Ince and sponge symbols of Christ's passion. The whole central group isenthrough throws into prominence the entire group and gives in the appearance of being suspended prove the share Blessed Virgin the clouds throws into prominence the entire group and gives it the appearance of being suspended throws into prominence the entire being suspended t

main allow, all of which with the green Carpet of the sanctuary makes a most harmonious blending of tints and render prominent the en-tire sanctuary. Reluctantly your eyes turn from this spot of exquisite beauxy in search of forther detail. Gradually you follow down from panel to panel, scanning the mysteries of the ceiling almost spelibound by every individual figure. The coloring here is unique, the medium shades being used in the joyfal, and the dark colors, in the sorrowful mysteries on the side panels, while the warm, bright tints, sugges-tive of light and glory, are employed in the glorious mysteries in the central publes. After hours of close scrutiny comparatively little has been examined, and as the eye turns from the inspiring beauty of the musil decora-tions, it is attracted by the beautiful windows, the subjects of which are taken from the most distinguished artists of the present day. When details have been granged to some ex-tent, the entire work presents iself as a granc mossic, each part set in perfect proportion with the most exquisite blending of colors even to the minutest border detail. The perspective is perfect, the figures all life size rendered smaller by distance from view. Too much cannot be avoid in praise of this work which could be accomplished but by artists of very superior talents as charles Del fourcio and Jerome Caracelli have proved themselves. Nor can enough be said of Rev. Father Brady for having completed in so short a time this great undertaking. In speaking to the reporter, he said. " It is my great desire ever since I came here to have this object and of my devoted parishioners who of any eaving scrifters for the giver of God. Now I am satisfied." And who can hont marvel at the energy and tace that were necessarily called forth in managing this stu-pendous work, every detail of which required special attention.

Solemn Mass at 9 o'clock. Celebrant-Rev. L. Goldrick. Deacon-Rev. P. McKeon. Sub deacon-Rev F. Le Fevre, Master of Ceremonies-Rev. P. L'Heureux, Censer Baror-Rev. W. J. Fitzostrick. Acolytes-Rev. E. Taylor, and Rev. J. Koel-ter.

The meeting of the alumni will be held in the club rooms immediately A barquet will be given at 12.30 ecessarily called forth in managing lendous work, every detail of which pecial attantion The toast master for the occasion will be Rev. J. Hally of Wyndotte. The toasts aud responses will be as

"The Holy Father"-Response by Right Rev. Bishop McEvay of London. "Alma Mater"-Response by Rev. E. Cald-

pendous work, every detail of which required special attention. The people of the parish are not behind in expressing their gratiende. From all sides we hear the loudest praise and deepest apprecia-tion of the devoted pastor's exertions Through the instrumentality of the con-tractor, Mr. B. N. Devereaux, of Detroit, the service of these emicent artisls was secured, to whom too much praise cannot be given for being always prepared to give his numerous customers the very best work since he con-stantly has in his employ the most skilled artisans. THE CONSECRATION OF THE MARBLE ALTAR. well "The Alumni"-Response by Right Rev. Dean

O Brien. "Old Times"-Response by Rev. P. Corcoran. "The Staff"-Response by Very Rev. R. McBrady. All old students of the college are OCTOBER 20, 1906.

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## ASSUMPTION COLLEGE. Sandwich, Ont., Oct. 8, 1906.

Sermon-Rev. F. Van Antwerp.

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after Mass.

follows :

Editor of CATHOLIC RECORD: Dear Sir-The annual meeting of the lumni Association of Assumption College, Sandwich, Ont., will be held in the college club rooms on Oct. 18, 1906. The program for the occasion will be



invited to attend. C. COLLINS, Sec.

### UNIVERSITIES SPRANG FROM THE MONASTERIES.

The University of Aberdeen (Scotand) is about to celebrate the fourth centenary of its foundation. Of course the institution was founded in Cath olic times and by Catholics, though it is now Protestant. This latter fact, however, does not deter His Holiness Pope Pins X. from sending to the Uni-versity authorities a letter congratulat terpreters. We met one Irishman, evidently in trouble over a "deal," not being able to understand the French salesman. We arranged the matter to bis satisfication, met one deal, "deal," not ing them on their celebration, on which a London paper, the Daily Chronicle, this satisfication "Well, thus observes :

" The Pope, in congratulating Aber deen University by autograph letter upon her approaching fourth centenary, is performing something more than an act of high official courtesy ; he is dis closing an early illuminated page in the history of the Pontificate itself.

Universities, as we all know sprang from the monasteries, and long after they had lost their purely ecclesiasti-

artistics. THE CONSECRATION OF THE MARBLE ALTAR. On Friday af ernon His Lordship, Bishop McEvay, of London, came to town for the pur-pore of offliciting at the ceremonics which were to take place during the next two days. On Sturday at 7 o'clock accompanied by a number of priests, the Bishop entered the sanculary and began the consecration of the altar. The ceremony was a most impressive one and lasted about two hours. Then followed a Mass, said by His Lordship for the generous donor of the altar and all who helped to defray  $g_{XD} ness.$ 

a Mass, shu by his bank below to defray exponses. The altar is crected to the memory of Mr. and Mrs Lawrence and Patrick Doyle by the children of the former. Messrs Patrick and Markaret Doyle. The slua is a massive struc-ture and is in perfect harmony with its sur-roundings. The generous donors are to be con-gratulated on their munificent gift. The contractors for the altar were Blonde Bros. of Chatham and the altar builder Mr. Eugene Thibodeau. THE REOPENING OF THE CHURCH. On Sunday morning at 8 o'clock H s Lord-ship Bishop McEvay said Mass and adminis tered First Holy Communion to over seventy children who presented a most devotional appearance as they went through their exer class in a most orderly manner. At 10.30 Solemn Hich Mass was sung by Rev. Father Bobler, of St. Charles Barromeo

At 10:30 Solemn High Mass was sung 00 rev. Father Bobler, of St. Charles Barromeo Brooklye, a sisted by Rev. Father Aylward, Rector of the Cthedral London, as deacon, and Rev. Father McBrady. President of Assumation College. Sundwich, as sub deacon. After Mass His Lordship the Bishop adminis-tered the secrament of condit without to a large class of children and a number of adults

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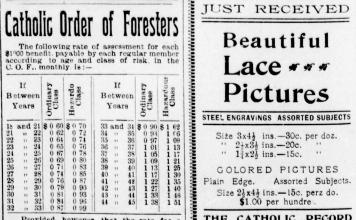
Provided, however, that the rate for a benefit of 3500 shall be one half of the above ra es and where such division makes it neces sary oue-half cent shall be added in order to make such half rate even cents.

Miss Edna Chadwick, dressed as a sentor nurse was maid of honor and gave a recita-tion, entil-d "Scandal," which was en-thusiastically received. Dr. J. L. Bray, Dr. Charteres, Dr. R. V. Bray and D. Sullivan gave appropriate addresses in which they spoke, particularly, among other qualification, of the necessity of discretion, and a practical knowledge of Domestic Science as essential. Part 1 D gave a chart shots WANTED FOR CATHOLIC SEPARATE School S. Sec. No. 4. Bromley, female teacher, holding second class certificate-salary 300. Must have experience. App's to J. W. Sheedy, Secretary, Osceola, Ont. 140-2

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