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Rome Letter

(From our own Correspondent.)

Rome Dec. 16th, 1911. Christmas has already entered Rome and the streets have assumed a busier air. The beauties of big shops in the Corso attract the attention of those thousands of all nations who wish to pass Christmas in Rome, and the glories of her many churches are enhanced by Cribbs, some of them of great artistic value, the result of the labor of years.

Many things of interest might be written on in connection with this week in Rome. On Xmas night, all who know Rome will flock at the toll of the Ave Maria to the Basilica of S. Mary Major to assist at the procession in which the Holy Crib in which Christ was borne in to Egypt is carried in a magnificent reliquary. It consists now of six black sticks blackened by age. Then the people will return home to partake of the traditional cenone or big supper of fish, macaroni, vegetables and many kinds of wine, for the Roman will enjoy this old family reunion at all costs.

Midnight Mass will be held in the chief four hundred churches of the city, and the huge congregations in attendance will do much to convince foreigners how deep is the Catholic spirit in this great cosmopolitan city.

In the old days when the Pope had his own, the Holy Father offered up his three Masses on Xmas morning in different parts of the city. His first Mass was celebrated at S. Mary Major, after which the Pope-King surrounded by his noble Court drove to S. Anastasia at the foot of the Palatine amid the acclamations of the crowd. Here the second Mass said, a start was made for S. Peter's where with much pomp the Head of the Church offered up the Holy Sacrifice for the third time that morning.

But times are changed. A stranger holds the Papal City, and the Pope, a prisoner in his own palace, offers up his three Christmas Masses in his beautiful little private chapel in the third storey of the Vatican with none present but a few prelates of his Court, his aged sisters and a knot of privileged foreigners.

The outcry raised in the Chamber of Deputies of Saxony against the recent Motu Proprio of Pius X on the law forbidding ecclesiastics to be cited without permission of ecclesiastical authority before lay judges would seem curious if one did not know the reason of it. From the Government has come the declaration that the Motu Proprio cannot be sanctioned, that it is contrary to the laws of Saxony, and that it shall neither be proclaimed nor applied by the Bishops.

Now there is no need to remind the Government the law itself is one of the most ancient of the Catholic Church; and that the Motu Proprio simply defined one point upon which lawyers differed, the extent to which the word "coagents"—they who force, should be understood. The Protestant Government of Saxony is aware of this as well as the fact that Bishops are ordered to concede permission empowering the sitting of ecclesiastical before civil tribunals on every occasion it may be asked.

However on the eve of the political elections surely no one could expect the agencies of the Centre Party of Germany and the Protestant forces drawn up against the Church to remember all this. Yet the Government of Saxony need give itself no trouble. The law in question was known long before Luther's day; it is a matter of conscience for Catholics and what the antagonists of the Centre Party think of it makes very little matter. However the Holy See has declared the law has been abrogated in Germany by having fallen into desuetude and thus, according to the canonical teaching of the Church does not effect that country.

Within a few days a volume will lay before the world, Catholic and otherwise, the details of the funeral of Verdesi, the young apostate priest of Rome, whom the American Methodists have taken under their wing. This work will deal exhaustively with the phases of the trial that ended in the condemnation of the apostate for calumny committed against Father Biscarelli S. J. by charging the venerable priest with the violation of the seal of Confession. The evidence of all the witnesses, the speeches of those employed on both sides, the summing up of the judges, will all be given minutely.

Instead of putting in the ten month's imprisonment to which Verdesi was sentenced for his audacious calumny that worthy is safely away in Geneva enjoying the air of Switzerland and acting as pastor of the Methodist temple in that city.

On the 12th inst. the S. Congregation of Bishops held one of its ordinary meetings to discuss the following list of business:

(a) The introduction of the Case of the Beatification of the Servant of God, Maria Teresa Hsz, Foundress of the Daughters of the Cross.

(b) The revision of the writings of Lucia Filippi, Foundress of the Institute of the "Maestre Pie."

(c) Revision of the writings of Peter Donders, professed priest of the Congregation of the Redemptorists.

(d) Revision of the writings of Domenico Savio, a young secular and a student of the Salustian Oratory.

On recalling the business discussed by the S. Congregation for the past couple of years one feels struck by the number of Redemptorists, priests and lay brothers, whose cases of beatification and canonization are being tried.

As the magnificent ceremonies connected with the recent Conciliar are passed, and as another looms in the near future it is interesting to cast a thought at the probability of new Cardinals at the next great ceremony of the kind.

It is not at all likely that Pius X will raise many to the Sacred College at the next Concoctory.

For generations no Concoctory saw so many cardinals created in one day as did the one just held and the history of the Church tells us of only four previous occasions in which the number of nineteen new cardinals was surpassed.

Yet there is one great centre of Catholic activity which one would like to see represented in the Senate of the Church. The Church in Canada has progressed by leaps and bounds during the last thirty years. New dioceses have been erected to meet growing needs, the Catholic population is increasing enormously, and converts are crowding into the True Fold. With all this one must remember that America and her 18,000,000 Catholics had but one Cardinalate up to three weeks ago. England had but one for eight years, Australia has none at present, nor has Portugal, unless we count that the name reserved in pectore by Pius X at the last Concoctory are correct in saying it is that of the Patriarch of Lisbon.

At present no one can say when Canada will be given one or more Cardinals. Inquiries in various quarters have resulted in this opinion. There are the dioceses of Quebec, Montreal, S. Boniface and one or two others to be thought of, but Pius X even if he has made up his mind on this question—which is likely not to be the case—keeps silent on the point. The fact is, the dominant note of the present Pontificate is official silence.

NOTES

A short time before the sudden death last Wednesday of Archbishop Agius, Delegate Apostolic of the Philippines, a despatch was sent recalling him to Rome to undertake another mission. This would probably be the post vacated at Washington by Cardinal Falconi, Cardinal Legate, Archbishop of Armagh, set out for Ireland yesterday. He had hoped Cardinal Farley could see his way to accompany him on a visit to the land of his birth.

A Strange Golden Jubilee

Non Paralyzed Fifty Years Ago Celebrates Fiftieth Anniversary of Her Affliction.

This has been a year of golden jubilees in Italy, says "Rome," but the strangest of all of them is one that has just been celebrated in a convent in Viterbo. It was never destined for news paper publicity, but as the Rome correspondent of the "Corriere della Sera" has published some incomplete information upon it "Rome" may properly refer to the subject. Some fifty-two years ago a young operative star, native of Zurich, in Switzerland, was on her way to Milan to fulfill an engagement when her mother, who accompanied her, died suddenly, and the loss made so deep an impression on the girl that she resolved to enter the religious life. She did so almost immediately, but a year and a half later, at the end of 1861, she was suddenly afflicted with a terrible spinal disease. From that day, fifty years ago, to this she has never risen from her bed. Her head has to be kept in position by bandages and a wire frame work, for according to the doctors, even a slight movement might imperil her life. She suffers intense pain, but nobody has ever heard a murmur from her lips. She is always cheerful and converses freely with her many visitors—for

all Viterbo looks upon her as a woman of extraordinary sanctity, and the fame of her holiness has spread even abroad, so that many come to her to beg her prayers and seek her advice, and she is credited with many supernatural gifts, including that of prophecy.

And now she has just celebrated the golden jubilee of her paralysis in the Cistercian convent of Viterbo. The Holy Father, who has long known of her, has sent her a beautiful autograph letter, in which he expresses his warm admiration for the example of Christian resignation she has given to all the faithful. Cardinal Casarati and many dignitaries and priests have gone to Viterbo to celebrate Mass in the cell where she has lain so patiently for fifty years, and an immense number of dispatches and letters were received by her on the fiftieth anniversary of her affliction.

The correspondent of the Liberal "Corriere della Sera" closes his account of her as follows: "Not a few extraordinary facts are related of this poor nun, and it is certain that many strangers who come to Viterbo in order to be able to converse with her and to commend themselves to her prayers. The old convent has already become a species of sanctuary. The Sister, who is now seventy-five years of age, gives proof of really extraordinary intuition."

Distribution of Seed Grain and Potatoes from the Dominion Experimental Farms 1911-12.

By instructions of the Hon. Minister of Agriculture a distribution will be made during the coming winter and spring of superior sorts of grain and potatoes to Canadian farmers. The samples for general distribution will consist of spring wheat (4 lbs.), white oats (4 lbs.), barley (4 lbs.), and field peas (3 lbs.). These will be sent out from Ottawa. A distribution of potatoes (in 3 lb. samples) will be carried on from several of the experimental farms, the Central Farm at Ottawa supplying only the provinces of Ontario and Quebec. All samples will be sent free, by mail.

Applicants should give particulars in regard to the soil on which farm, and should also state what varieties they have already tested and in what way these have been found unsatisfactory, so that a promising sort for their conditions may be sent.

Each application must be separate and must be signed by the applicant. Only one sample can be sent to each farm. Applications on any kind of printed or written form cannot be accepted.

As the supply seed is limited farmers are advised to apply early to avoid possible disappointment. No applications can be accepted after Feb. 15th.

All applications for grain (and applications from the provinces of Ontario and Quebec for potatoes) should be addressed to the Dominion Correlator, Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa. Such applications require no postage.

Applications for potatoes, from farmers in any other province should be addressed (postage prepaid) to the Superintendent of the nearest Branch Experimental Farm in that province.

J. H. GRISDALE,

Director, Dominion Experimental Farms.

Immense Sum for Picture

Speculation is rife as to the identity of the Philadelphian who is said to have purchased Rubens' famous painting of "The Coronation of S. Catherine," from its late owner, the Duke of Rutland. The masterpiece, according to an authoritative source, is on its way to America. The sum said to have been paid by the purchaser is \$300,000, second only perhaps to the sum of \$500,000 paid for "The Mill" several months ago by P. A. B. Widener, of Philadelphia.

"The Coronation of S. Catherine" is one of the most important canvases of the great master, and was executed in 1633 for the altar of St. Barnabas in the Church of St. Augustine in Malines (now Mechlin). Trouble arose over payment of the price for the painting to Rubens. The corporation of painters, who had their offices in the convent, were the first to contribute 100 florins. Others of the faithful made up the rest of the sum necessary to complete the purchase price of 620 florins, considered an enormous sum of money in those days.

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"But why do you cry so, Frau Maier?" "The tight of Yeevius reminds me too of my poor dear Henry; he, too, was always smoking."

Vicar's Wife—"Could I persuade you to come to our next mother's meeting?"

Mrs. Jenkins—"I's very kind of you, mum, but I never was a Society woman."

Minard's Liniment cures Diphtheria.

"Can't you assume a little more pleasing expression of countenance?" asked the photographer.

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A WEAK ACHING BACK Caused Her Much Misery.

Charlie—I say, old chap, what the extreme penalty of the law for bigamy?

Old Adam—Why! two mothers-in-law, of course.

Mrs. W. R. Hodges, Fielding, Sask., writes:—

"A few lines highly recommending Doan's Kidney Pills. For this last year I have been troubled with very much with many sick headaches, and a weak aching back, which caused me much misery, for I could not work, and had no ambition for anything. My kidneys were very badly out of order, and kept me from sleeping at nights. I tried many kinds of pills and medicines, but it seemed almost in vain. I began to give up hope, until I saw in the paper an advertisement for Doan's Kidney Pills, which I did, and am thankful for the relief I obtained from them, for now I am never troubled with a sore back or sick headaches."

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