

Now, I'm ready to die. But perhaps I did wrong to promise without asking your permission. Did I? Papa is to change head-quarters; we leave here next month.

Your little Peter.



(Concluded)

It is nice to see in a family the parents, the sisters and brothers of eleven, and twelve going to Holy Communion every day, but in that same family are other brothers and sisters of 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, who understand what Communion is but who cannot partake of It. They are eager to attain the required age because they are good and anxious to remain so. The Pope thought of them also. As formerly he wants the Little Ones to come to Jesus. The 8th. of August, 1910 he promulgated the Decree *Quam singulari*, in which he declares that parents first, and confessors next, are obliged to see that children receive Communion as soon as they reach the age of reason, that is to say about the age of 7 more or less.

The field of love and mercy is thus opened to the zeal of pastors and the generosity of souls. The faithful can approach without fear of being turned away. But beside this mass of Christians there are, other privileged souls: those who have chosen the better part, who have