

Clerical News.

His Grace the Archbishop of St. Boniface, writing on Aug. 17, says he and father Lacombe will sail from Liverpool on the 15th of this month by the steamer "Ionian." Father Lacombe, although not a delegate, was invited to take part in the deliberations of the General Chapter of the Oblates at Liege.

Four Oblate Fathers arrived here from Europe at the end of last week: Father Batie, who goes to the Lesser Slave Lake Mission; Father Alac, who is destined for Mgr. Breynat's vicariate of Mackenzie; Father Marchand, who is booked for St. Albert; and Father Deleglise, who will remain in the vicariate of St. Boniface. The first three left for the west on Monday morning. Father Marchand sang High Mass at St. Mary's last Sunday.

A press cablegram from Rome announces the ratification by the Holy Father of the appointment of Father Ambrose Agius, the Maltese Benedictine, as Apostolic Delegate to the Philippines, in succession of the late Archbishop Guidi.

The Right Rev. Abbot Francis Aidan Gasquet, superior of the English Benedictines, arrived on Aug. 19 at New York, accompanied by Mgr. Nugent, of Liverpool. "This is my first visit to America," said the Abbot, "and I am here to make a thorough study of the institutions, both public and private, which are devoted to education. I will especially study the Catholic seminaries in the country and then the colleges and convents. I will be here three months, during which time I shall travel over much of the United States and Canada. I will go as far west as Omaha, St. Louis and St. Paul." During his stay the Abbot will lecture at the University of Notre Dame and also talk to the ladies at the Convent of St. Mary's in the Woods, at South Bend, Ind. Later he will deliver a series of historical lectures to the students of the Catholic University at Washington.

Rev. Father Devine, S.J., has returned to Montreal after two years' residence in Nome, Alaska. His experience there was related in a series of interesting articles in the Canadian Messenger.

Cardinal Merry del Val, not being obliged, as the Holy Father is, to remain in Rome, is taking a rest at Castel Gandolfo, the Pope's country house. Special couriers pass daily between the Vatican and the hitherto almost abandoned villa, and the Secretary of State is in telephonic communication with his master.

Rev. Brother Cordel, O.M.I., who was at St. Mary's Presbytery last Tuesday, is transferred from Fort Alexander to St. Charles.

The Most Rev. Dr. Fogarty was consecrated Bishop of Killaloe in the cathedral at Ennis on the 4th inst.

In order to avoid any further unpleasantness with the French government, it is likely that Mgr. le Nordez, Bishop of Dijon, will not return to France. An important canonry will be given him at Rome.—Catholic Times (L'pool), Aug. 26.

"Lloyd's News" gives currency to a report that His Grace the Archbishop of Westminster will be one of the new Cardinals to be created at the next Consistory in November. Dr. Bourne will leave for Rome towards the end of October.

Rome, Sept. 2—(Special)—The Pope at the present is enjoying his vacation as far as it is possible to enjoy it in a city where the thermometer nearly every day has reached the 100 degree mark.

In fact the vacation of Pope Pius is only imaginary, and is only called a vacation to give the Cardinals an opportunity to escape from Rome for a few weeks. While the late Pope Leo always commenced his vacation in the beginning of

July, and during that time moved from the Vatican proper into the "Casino del Pio IV." one of the cottages in the garden of the Vatican, Pius X. has declared that as long as he cannot go to Venice he prefers to stay in his ordinary apartment and take long walks every morning between six and ten, during which he has asked to be allowed to forget that he is Pope and be left absolutely alone.

The greater part of the afternoon he spends at the piano. He is an accomplished player and possesses two magnificent instruments presented to him by the makers.

His only audience is two priests from Venice, Father Bressau and Father Piscini, whom he has known for many years and whom he has invited to visit him during his vacation. In the evening the Pope and the two fathers refreshen old memories from his beloved Venice and it is often quite late before they retire.

The Very Rev. Administrator, accompanied by Rev. Dr. Beliveau, left on Thursday evening for St. George de Chateauguay, near Fort Alexander, to bless a new bell there.

Rev. Father Garon, of Wolseley, who came here on Thursday, reports that the harvest is very promising in that district and that his Catholic congregation has greatly increased, there being 65 families in and around Wolseley and many more in his outlying missions south of it.

Very Rev. Dom Grea, Superior General of the Canons Regular of the Immaculate Conception, arrived here from France last Tuesday. Rev. Dom Benoit came to meet him here, and they both left on Wednesday for Notre Dame de Lourdes, accompanied by Rev. Canon Raux, of the diocese of Arras, France.

Rev. Father Lambersin, a French priest, who has been visiting the Edmonton district, was here on Thursday.

Rev. Father Campeau, of St. Eustache, was a guest at the Archbishop's house on Thursday.

Rev. Father Lacasse, O.M.I., was here this week.

Next Sunday being the feast of the Holy Name of Mary, the patronal feast of St. Mary's Church, Father Drummond will preach there at the evening service.

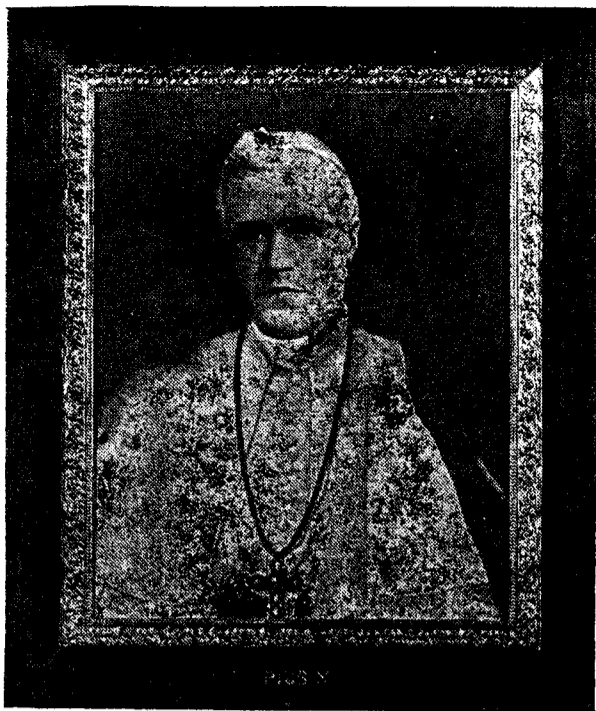
Last Sunday evening at St. Mary's Church Rev. Father McCarthy, O.M.I., preached from Matth. 6; 24: "No man can serve two masters." God, he said had a claim to our whole heart, and whole service. We could make no compromise with evil. Also we were to serve God first. This was Christ's command. There was the guarantee that if we seek God first, all other things should be added unto us.

On Aug. 21 Father Sebastian Wyart, Abbot-General of the Reformed Cistercians, to which Order the Trappists of St. Norbert belong, died in Rome at the age of 65. He had been an officer in the Papal Zouaves, and fought at the battle of Castel Fido, where he was wounded. On his return to France, he made a campaign during the Franco-Prussian war, and was decorated for bravery at the battle of Patay.

An evening paper spreads the report that "the Prior of the Carmelite monastery at Cracow has eloped with a young lady of good family, and has taken with him £4,000 of the funds of the Order, it is believed that the couple are bound for America." Father Zimmermann, Prior of the Carmelites at Wincanton, Somerset, writes to us that there is no Carmelite monastery at Cracow! That is a complete answer to the report.—Catholic Times, Aug. 26.

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