

**HAMILTON, ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL.**

But one short year has elapsed since the League of the Sacred Heart of Jesus was established in St. Mary's Cathedral, parish of Hamilton. It was at the close of a very successful mission preached by the Jesuit Fathers, wherein the object of the Holy League and the immense spiritual advantages to be derived from it were explained. The approbation given it by the Vicar of Jesus Christ at Rome, and the numerous and great indulgences it pleased the Holy Father to attach to this particular form of devotion, were set forth. The people of St. Mary's parish, always noted for their sterling piety, were not slow in manifesting their enthusiasm for the Holy League. Rev. Father Hinchey of the Cathedral was placed in charge as Local Director, and immediately began the work of organizing. Promoters were chosen, circles formed, certificates and badges distributed, and in a short time, to the satisfaction of every one, the League of the Sacred Heart was recognized among the permanent pious institutions of St. Mary's parish. It has at present on its books the names of 132 Promoters with a membership of 2130. From these figures some idea can be drawn of the amount of good it has done in the parish. On the first Sunday of each month the members approach Holy Communion in a body, wearing on their breast the badge of the League, thus becoming entitled to a special recognition by our Blessed Lord, who said: "Every one that shall confess me before men I will also confess him before my Father who is in Heaven."

The League is by no means confined to the adult portion of the congregation, but is firmly established in all the separate schools in the city, thereby giving the little ones, whom Jesus loved so tenderly, an opportunity to reap some of the many spiritual advantages to be derived from the union.