## The Messenger of the Sacred Heart

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of the ecclesiastical province of Halifax. He has appointed 'a Canadian Central Director, to aid the reverend clergy who would desire to introduce a work productive of so much good among their flocks, to supply diplomas of affiliation, and to edit the tickets and periodicals connected with its organization.

Chief amongst the publications of the Holy League is the Messenger of the Sacred Heart a small devotional magazine, of which the principal function is to set forth the intention designated every month by the Sovereign Pontiff for the united prayers of all the associates. lt serves as an official organ of communication, through which the various local centres, though independent of one another and of the Head Centre, receive directions and keep up correspondence. It aims also at popularizing, by interesting facts, anecdotes and instructive narratives, the spirit and practice of the devotion to the Sacred Heart. With the thirty Messengers circulating around the globe, speaking over twenty different languages, with the four already published in our own language,-English, American, Irish, Australian,-our new Canadian Messenger by the present number takes his place. We bespeak for him, sent out on his errand of love, a hearty welcome and warm reception, not only from our associates and the people at large, but especially from the clergy and the bishops, on whose co-operation we are mainly dependent for the spread and progress of the work of the Holy League.

The time seems favorable for a publication the exclusive aim of which is to promote piety and devotion. The late accessions of strength as well as of honor and dignity