

the bells of the entire earth, and even in the solitudes of the New World, and in the furthest countries of the Old, the word of the Sovereign Pontiff will be repeated, and hailed with acclamation. Everywhere the Immaculate Conception shall be celebrated and glorified. At this thought, may we not hope, for the world and for the Church, the great prosperity which the Saints have foretold for the period which would see the incomparable privilege of Mary proclaimed? May we not believe, that Our Mother will repay to us in blessings the homage that we have offered her? How doubt that the increase of glory which she has just received is, for us, the pledge of a better present, and a more prosperous future? That has been the hope of the Saints; it is the hope of Pius IX, this other Holy Pontiff, this Angel of the Church, whose Pontificate will be henceforward glorious amongst all those which have advanced the reign of Mary, which have exalted her privileges and her greatness!

