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July 24, 25 and 26 of this initial year of the century marked the bicentany of Detroit, which was constructed with surpassing magnificance both by the civic and religious authorities. The public buildings, the principal structs and squares were superbly illuminated; a banquet was given, at which speeches were made by M. de Margerie, the French charge d'atfaires at Washington, in the absence of his chief; by the French Consul-General in Canada, M. Kines, kowski; by. Mayor Maybury and others. A company of 'coureur's desbois," of the time of Cadillac, paraded the streets with torches, singing the old Canadian folk-song, belis rang out, cannon thundred: the military paraded; and, the mest unique spectacle of all, a procession of flowers traversed the principal thoroughfares. This was a fairy-like pagreant, vehicles of all sorts being eovered-harnesses, wheels and all-swith flowers of various hues; one chariot being of rose, another of vellow, and so on till the colors were fairly exhausted. Scenes were repretented in these triumphal ars, such as Cadillac and his noble companions, the brilliant court of Louis XIV., an Indian camp, and also Fort Pontchartralm, with the successive banners waving over it of France. England and the United States.

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Hundreds of thousands of spectators witnessed this procession, and there was the same enthusiasm, the same cordial unanimity exhibited by men of all creds and nationalities; which must have been most gratifying to the organizers of the festival. It was a magnificent ovation to the past,—one heartfelt turning backward to the memory of the men who encountered primeval toil and hardship that the splendor of this day might be, and who, through strenuous endeavor and unspeakable privation, gave this new settlement to the old civilization.

It, however, remained for the word of the enigma to be spoken, the keynnote sounded to that harmony of entrancing sights, that grand display of modern wealth and beauty, that outpouring of a people's enthusiasm, that transformation of the past to a living page of history. This note was sounded by His Grace the Archbishop of Montreal at the ecclesiastical celebration at St. Anne's on the 26th of July. His Excellency Mgr. Falconic pontificated at the Mass, which was attended by the Governor of Michigan, the Mayor of Detroit, and many other notables.

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Some of the lessons inculcated in that noble and impressive discourse are: that loyalty to the past is in itself a virtue; that civilization to be true must be Christian; that the modern pioneer too often compares but ill with those men of the bygone, who were true Christian heroes.— Cartier and Champlain and Maisonneuve; that the descendants of these worths ires should imitate them and carry on, by word and expended the modern that the world the world. them and carry on, by word and example, the work they began. Some extracts from the sermon will best illustrate the beauty and harmony of the whole

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'It is not Detroit in its present splendor which you celebrate,' said the Archbishop; 'it is neither its superb edifices nor its magnificent avenues and incomparable streets which you are invited to admire. No. no! You are looking backward to its origin, so full of faith and of poetry. It is the names of Cadillac, of Delhalle, of Vaillant, of Richard, of the poor friars of the brown habit, which are upon your lips; it is the toilsome path of your fathers through trackless forests which you are contemplating; it is the little chapel built by their piety which your imagination reconstructs; it is their virtues and their intrepid courage which you are recalling; in fine. Your hearts, besting in unison, have met beside the cradle of your faith and your civilization. Honor to the interior who nosesses the more to the interior who not the interior who not the interior to met peside the cradle of your faith and your civilization. Honor to the nations who possess the memory of the heart! Citizens of Detroit, you are amongst those peoples. Therefore, give us your hand; for we Candians, sprung like yourselves from France, truly rejoice in keeping sacred the days that are no more. Our shield proclaims this, bearing engraven upon its surface the device, if remember!"

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In deploring the decline of faith the absence of the supernatural motive in modern exploration and colonization, the orator paid tribute to the heroes of the Cross, the sword, the ploughshare, who have given their names, in some instances, to the rivers, lakes and hills, to the province or the town:

"Are the explorers of all nations animated with the same patrictism and the same supernatural motives in taking possession of the regions which they discover to-day? The thirst for gold may, indeed, inducemento undertake long journeys and to accept the most painful sacrifices, but in extending the boundaries of empires do they think of the Cross which has saved the world—that is to say, of the Redeemer, of God, the soul, eternity? Our fathers were believers; they had faith in the genius of men, but they trusted still more in the protection of Heaven; they re-joined in their discoveries as increasing their county's glory, but they also realized that these discoveries were to the glory of the Eternal. They understood that the works which men constructed, counting only on the power of their own arm, have been, ultimately, but a succession of Towers of Babel, which him speedily reduced to ruin. They have shall works never attain immortality by depending upon that which is mortal; and in the building of cities they sang as they built:

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"Caddilac has disappeared; Delhalle fell under the murderous bullet of an Indian; Father Richard died the victim of his zeal while ministering to the plague-stricken; the other missionaries met death while following in the footsteps of the first apostles, their brethren. The little chapel, several times burned, always arose from its ruins, richer or more beautiful, till it became the superb temple which shelters us to-day.

"This colony was lost to France and acquired by England, who lost it in her turn. It finally enriched the American Union, but the work of God continues the same. Flag has succeeded flag; the Cross retains its place of honor. Europe and America, the adherents of all creeds, have solemnly acknowledged its blessed influence; and here, in the midst of your city, it has been accorded a magnificent ovation. Stat crux volvitur orbis."

In the sanctuary, with many other distinguished ecclesiastics, was the Right Rev. John Foley, who occupies the lofty position of bishop of so flourishing a diocese, and who has so largely contributed by his personal efforts not only to the advancement of all works of zeal and charity, but to the good-feeling existing between Catholics and their non-Catholic fellow-citizens.

Archbishop Bruchesi, in conclusion, declared: "The Name of Our Lord Uesus Christ shall end this discourse; to Him be all honor and glory, world without end." And so that self-same name which was the inspiration of those bygone ploneers, which was pronounced by the venerated missionaries who accompanied them at the very foundation of the colony, was heard once more recehoing not only through the streets of the fair city which arose in the wilderness, and by the medium of the press to the world at large.

The celebration of the bicentenary of Detroit was, indeed, marked by every feature that could impress the mind and capityate the imagination; and it is one of which the organizing committee, the citizens at large, the chief pastor and the clergy of St. Anne's especially may well be proud

# NOTES FROM ROME

THE SOLEMN PROCLAMATION of the decree in the cause for the beatification and canonization of the beatification and canonization of the Ven. Claude de la Colombiere, S.J., recognizing the heroic degree of his virtues, was read on Sunday last by Mgr. Painci, secretary to the Congregation of Rites, in presence of the Pope and of Cardinal Ferrata, Prefect of the same Congregation, Cardinal Ledochowski, Frefect of Propaganda Pide, and Cardinal Gotti, Prefect of the Congregation of bishops and Regulars. The Very Rev Father Lonis Martin, general of the Society of Jesus, was also present, and after the proclamation of the decree read a short address in which he thanked the Holy Father for the honor paid to a member of the Order and for the Pontiff's runinterrupted ancouragement and benevo-

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It is satisfactory to note that the Italian clergy have adopted the best and most telling weapons against their Socialist calumniators and backbiters, namely, the law. In my last letter I announced how the editor of an Ancona anti-clerical paper had to climb down, apologize and pay a fine, besides heing sentenced to a short term of imprisonment for libel against Catholic priests. This week I have pleasure in mentioning another Catholic victory, the Socialist organ of Sondrio. "Il Lavoratore Valtellinese" having been successfully sued for libel by two priests and forced to publish a most humiliating apology in its own columns. The anti-clerical press are beginning to find out that deliberate and systematic lying is rather an expensive and not al-ways a winning game.

EPISCOPAL CONSECRATION. the Feast of the Assumption the Eternal City. His Grace received many years has occupied the important office of Rector of the Irish College, was consecrated Bishop co adjutor to His Eminence Moran (Archbishop of Sydney, Aus Moran (Archbishop of Sydney, Australia). His Eminence Cardinal Sayolli was the cansecrating prelate. The ceremony took place in the Pontifical Basilità of St. Jonchim, Pratidi Castello. Bishop Doebling (of the Franciscan Order) and the Bishop of Tiyoli were the assistant prelates, and in the sanctuary were friends of His Grace Monsignor Kelly, priests from Ireland, from Australia, and from Africa. It was a most impressive ceremony, the Irish students served and sang. After the function all the guests were most hospitably entertained by the Redemptorist Fathers. The gentlemen dined with His Grace and Fathers Palliota; the ladies enjoyed light refreshments in one of the salas. Amongst those present were Mgr. Fraser, rector of the Scots College, the Very Rev. Father Whitmee, Father-General of the S.P.M., Mgr. De Raimond, Mr. and Mrs. Christmas, Very Rev. Father Magnier, C.SS.R., Mr. and Mrs. Cormellan, Captain and Madame Dodier, Mrs. Mulhall, Mrs. M. D. Hart, Miss Hussey-Walsh, Mr. J. W. Croke, and many others. The new Bishop carried to his new field the sincere respect and best wishes of his many friends in the Eteroal City, His Grace received many tokens of friendship before his departure. tralia). His Eminence Cardinal Sat

A SOLEMN REPARATION Was made at Castel-Gandolfo to protest against the throwing down of the cross in that district by unknown persons. A devout Triduum took place, directed by the Augustinian Fathers of the parish church; on the last day the cross was carried in solemn procession and re-placed. The students of the Jesuits' College, the American College and Propaganda took part in the ceremonics. An eloquent discourse was preached by the Most Rev. Abbot of Grottaferrate. In returning, the Te Deum was sung, and benediction given with the relic of the true cross. A devout Triduum took

### NOTES FOR FARMERS.

In the winter of 1895-1896 the ity of New York was crowded with ablebodied men unable to find work.
The Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor in conducting its investigations among them disfar investigations among them one covered that many were sons of farmers, some of them from near-by portions of the State, who had crowded into the city to compete with the immigrants and swell the number of unemployed. This condition, not a novel one, but rather an acute phase of a chronic disorder, led to certain investigations which have had far-reaching results. Geo. T. Powell, of Ghent, in this State, T. Powell, of them, in this State, who has a national reputation as an agricultural expert, and Mr. Kelgaard, a Pennsylvania farmer, were engaged to secure certain information relative to farming conditions to New York State

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While the modern tendency of population toward urban concentration is now a hackneyed subject, a few figures as to New York State will be of interest. In the past 100 years the population of the State has multiplicative it as was a supplied to the state of the state in the population of the State has multiplicative it as was a supplied to the state in the state in



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It was a colored preacher who said to his flock; "We has a collection to make dis mo'sing, and fo' the sake of yo' reputation, whichever of you stole Mr. Jones' turkey, don't put anything on the plate." Every blessed niggah in the church came down wid the rocks.

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country to the city was a salient factor.

Mr. Powell and Mr. Kelgaard prepared a list of questions, among which were the following:

How much has farming land depreciated in your locality during the last twenty-five years, and what is the cause?

Is there a tendency among farmers and their families to leave their farms and live in towns and cities? If so, what is the cause?

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Are the principles of agriculture taught in any form in your schools?

Responses were sought primarily from farmers, but also from men of other callings, familiar with conditions. A very general response was received, and from the answers three conclusions were reached.

The average depreciation of land has been 48 to 50 per cent., in the face of an increase in the population of the State, from 1870 to 1890, of 1,610,389, an increase in the railroad mileage of the State during the same period of 4,182 miles, and an increase in the assessed valuation of real property, in the twenty-two years ending in 1892, of \$1,659,634,908. Eighty-six per cent. of the answers state that the children as they grew up could not be induced to follow agriculture for a livelihood. In no instance was agriculture touched upon in the school curriculums, and the schools were universally reported to be inferior to those of the cities.



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A careful analysis of the answers received was made. The general result garnered from them all was that there exists throughout the farming districts a widespread discontent with the conditions of life there obtaining. So it became manifest that the already congested cities bid fair to have their labor market still further glutted from the country. A variety of causes were assigned for the existing cendition. Yet they could all be summed up in one sentence—the farmer had ceased to make money from his farm.

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