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a most instructive and edifying discourse. The following will recall some of the principal ideas which it contained and some of the leading sentences to which he gave utterance:

"Life upon earth is a pilgrimage. The boat which is now bearing us down the rapid waters of the Saint Lawrence is a perfect emblem of the present life. Each stroke of her wheels hurries us from the point of departure to our goal and destination. Each pulsation of the heart speeds us on our way from the cradle to the grave. The soul, however,

oversteps the resting place of the mortal frame and takes her ascending flight to her Creator to receive from His hands her crown or her chains. The body likewise shall, on the day of general retribution, resume once for all its companion in time in order to share in her eternal happiness or eternal misery. Life here below being, therefore, a pilgrimage it follows that pilgrimages are a most laudable and praiseworthy institution of the Catholic Church. The latter has not only given birth to them, but also perpetuated.