

22. Our Lord Jesus Christ was not satisfied with making his sermons, his fatigues, his fasts, his blood, nay, his very life conducive to our salvation, he also added his prayers. It is not because this means was necessary for him, but he wished superiors should imitate him in this, and should pray, not only for themselves, but also for those, of whom with Jesus Christ, they ought to become our saviours.

A superior ought to have compassion for the scrupulous; he ought to bear with their weakness, and listen to them with great patience. He ought also to act in the same manner with stubborn or obstinate spirits, and treat them with great management, their weakness being much more worthy of his compassion, than corporal infirmities.

24. Self-love, covered with the veil of charity, makes us often believe we are serving God, when in reality we are seeking our own gratification.

25. Preachers who speak the language of the Gospel, produce much more fruit than those who fill their sermons with human words and philosophic reasonings, because the words of faith are always accompanied with an heavenly unction, which secretly penetrates the hearts of those who hear it.

26. The perfection of divine love does not consist in extacies; it consists in doing the will of God.

27. We must be entirely God-like to be able to assist our neighbour by fraternal correction, especially when he frequently falls into sin through an inveterate habit. This habit should not, however, dispense us from correcting him, because no matter what may be the source of an evil, we should always apply a remedy to it.

28. We should never show resent-

ment against those who persecute us by injuries, calumnies, &c., but we should continue to treat them cordially as before saying nothing but what is good of them, and doing them all the service in our power.

29. There is nothing more injurious to the success of affairs than precipitation; delays are generally more advantageous than otherwise.

30. A few priests who are truly mortified, would do more good than many priests who are too tender of themselves, and too anxious to seek after their own ease.

31. Those alone are fit to execute the designs of God who are blessed with a profound humility, and a sincere contempt for themselves.

THE GREAT CHURCH AT MONTREAL.

It has been built by the Sulpicians, and cost £80,000; it is complete, and affords accommodation to ten thousand persons at a time. The holy sacrifice of the mass is offered up here with unusual splendour combined with solemnity. There are at least fifty priests and twenty boys round the altar. The masses are chaunted, and the responses, which are made by fifty voices, produce a prodigious effect. It gives one an idea of the eternal song which in ages past was kept up in the church of 'Benehoir,' in the north of Ireland, where three thousand monks appropriated their voices to sing the eternal praise of God, who relieved each other in sets of three hundred at a time, and thus kept up the holy song from morning to night, from night to morning, from day to day, from year to year, and from age to age! This was the practice of several religious houses in Ireland for upwards of five centuries; and, as a matter of course, their passionate cultivation of church music gave them a pre-eminence in Europe, and, in fact, caused the Irish monks and priests to be sent for from all parts of Europe to instruct in music.