



THE TREASURY OF THE SACRED HEART.

ARING at the hall-door. In a few moments I am summoned in the parlor, and when I enter it, I find that my visitor is an excellent young fellow who comes to see me occasionally, and have a chat on useful topics. After a few remarks about the weather, a subject not particularly fresh or original, he said :

"I have been thinking over what you call the Treasury of the Sacred Heart. You have it in a short form in the Monthly Decade Ticket, and it appears from time to time in the MESSENGER, when, I suppose, the totals reach a sufficiently high figure to merit publication."

"That is so ; but it would appear every month if that excellent practice were spread more widely, especially in the schools."

"Well, to tell you the truth, I have not taken it up myself, but I have been thinking of doing so, and that is why I have called to see you. I fancy I understand what the Treasury means. Is this it ? — the acts of virtue which fill the Treasury are offered for the Intentions that are sent in to be prayed for, and which are found classified in the Monthly Calendar on the last page of each number of the MESSENGER."

"Yes, that is correct."

"And for each act performed a stroke is put down on paper, in order that the total number of acts may be sent to the MESSENGER at the close of the month?"