

### SHORT CORRESPONDENCE.

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*P. F., St. John.* — The MESSENGER regrets that it cannot insert your verses. No one ever doubted your talents, but it is the application of them to poetry that might cause misapprehension.

*To Correspondents.* — Write the name of your post office, or parish, on the intention sheets. A great many people forget to do this, and then complaints reach us that correspondence is not acknowledged.

*J. E. F., Toronto.* — If you made your Associates subscribe privately for the MESSENGER, you would be saved the trouble you complain of. Our little publication is so cheap that the subscription price cannot be an objection.

*A. F. J. Boston, Mass.* — A French edition, *Le Messager Canadien*, published at the MESSENGER Office, is the organ of the French Canadian centres of the Apostleship in the United States as well as Canada. Address, 144 Bleury Street, Montreal. The German *Messenger* is published in Cincinnati.

*McD., Toronto.* — The object of the "In Memoriam" columns is to secure prayers for the souls of our Associates recently deceased. We cannot undertake to publish the names of all the dead members of your family.

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### THE GENERAL CENSUS.

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THE MESSENGER has already received a large number of consoling answers to the census lists sent out some weeks ago to the Directors regarding the actual condition of the Apostleship in Canada. We regret, however, that we cannot begin to make the returns to the Director General at Toulouse owing to the fact that quite a few Local Directors have still to be heard from, and we do not wish to pass over so many important Canadian branches of the work. We would respectfully ask all Local Directors who have not yet filled the census lists sent them to answer, either by themselves or by the local secretaries, the following questions: 1° Date of the Diploma of Affiliation; 2° Number of Associates approximatively; 3° Number of Promoters; 4° Approximate number of yearly Communions of atonement; 5° Number of Associates in the Men's League (when it exists); 6° Number of Associates in the Juvenile League (when it exists); 7° Fruits of the Apostleship. The lists should be sent to the MESSENGER Office as soon as they are filled.