

bishop of Cyrene and the present administrator of the diocese, whose zeal for the promotion of education is proportionate to his life-time efforts and labors in that great and holy Cause.

In perfect accordance with the recent letter of the Holy Father on Catholic education, "religion is not only taught" to our pupils "at certain hours, but all the rest of the instruction exhales, as it were, a fragrance of Christian piety. The imparting of the various branches of human knowledge is associated with the culture of the soul."

The Normal School department, organized in 1857, has thus far proved most satisfactory. Not only has it during these forty years been fruitful in religious vocations, but hundreds of teachers among the eighteen hundred pupils graduated from the school, have merited praise in accomplishing the work for which it was instituted, that of teaching in the parishes throughout Canada. In this work, the community considers the pupils of the Normal school as their special auxiliaries. They are uncloistered Ursulines, who are commissioned to disseminate throughout the country those principles of piety and good morals, those habits of order, neatness and good manners which have been inculcated to them so carefully by the nuns charged with their formation.

It is particularly in the department of the Normal School that the Sodality of the Children of Mary enrolls its numerous clients. Among them, also, the Arch-confraternity of St. Angela is in great honor. They love to claim the virgin of Brescia as the patroness of their future labors. Happy is that young girl who goes forth from the Normal School with her well-earned diploma, if with her book-learning she has acquired "the higher lore that sanctifies." Then is she truly prepared for the important task that awaits her, and within her sphere, her influence will not fail to be salutary.