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THE CHURCH THAT DIETH NOT.

OUR NEW POPE.

Cardinal Sarto Elected to Succeed
Leo XIII.

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Rome, Aug. 4.—Cardinal Macchi, secretary of apostolic briefs, announced to the crowd assembled before St. Peter's that Cardinal Sarto had been elected pope, and that he had taken the name of Pius X. The troops on duty immediately lined up on the piazza and presented arms.

At ten minutes after twelve this afternoon, Pope Pius X appeared inside the balcony of the basilica and blessed the populace, amid the acclamations of the enormous crowd assembled upon the piazza.

Pronounced his Benediction.

12.45.—Pope Pius X has expressed his desire not to dissolve the conclave until this evening. It is supposed that the Cardinals will remain in their present quarters until about 7 p.m. An announcement of Cardinal Sarto's election was received with wild enthusiasm on the part of thousands of people who had gathered outside St. Peter's. The scene within the basilica when the pope pronounced his benediction was one of unparalleled excitement and enthusiasm. Thousands of persons within the cathedral cheered and waved their hats. All is now quiet.

New Pope's Career.

Cardinal Giuseppe Sarto was born at Riese, province of Venice, June 2, 1835. He was created Cardinal and patriarch of Venice, June 12, 1893. He was very learned in the ecclesiastical doctrines, is modest, energetic, a good administrator and organizer, a patron of the arts, and his seriousness always has been proverbial.

Leo XIII.'s Prophetic Words.

Early in April, Pope Leo, in a conversation with Father Perosi, the Italian composer said, in speaking of Cardinal Sarto: "Hold him very dear, Perosi, as in the future he will be able to do much for you. We firmly believe he will be our successor." He has been known for many years as one of the greatest preachers in the church.

Herrero's Life in Danger.

There was great anxiety throughout the night, both in and out of the conclave, owing to the fact that Cardinal Herrero Y Espinosa might die at any moment. Feeling the end approaching, the Cardinal confided his last wishes to Mgr. Boniface, vicar-general of his diocese, Valencia, Spain. At day-break Cardinal Herrero's condition took a turn for the better. Nevertheless the doctors still consider his life to be in danger.

PIUS X ENTHRONED.

He Receives the White Hat and Homage of the Sacred College.

Rome, Aug. 4.—While Prince Chigi the master of the conclave, was drawing up the official act of election and acceptance of the newly elected pope, the latter, surrounded by his friends, disappeared into a small room near the altar where he donned the white robes of his office. Pius X. was assisted by his conclavist, who first knelt and kissed his master's hand and thus received the first apostolic blessing given by Pius X.

When he was robed, the secretary of the conclave, Monsignor Merry Del Val, kneeling, offered him the papal white cap, amidst breathless silence. He did not follow the precedent created by Pope Leo, who declined to give his red cap to the master of ceremonies, but with a slight smile, Sarto took the white cap, placed it calmly on his head and dropped the red one lightly on

the head of Mgr. Merry Del Val amidst a murmur of approval. This is taken as a certain indication that the happy recipient is soon to be raised to a cardinalate. As soon as the new pontiff stepped from behind the altar, the only touch of color about him being his red and gold shoes, he really seemed the embodiment of his holy office. His face was pale and clearly softened by emotion. He paused a moment as he came before the expectant cardinals, then seated himself on the throne, with a hurried movement, as though he had suddenly grown weak. His back was to the altar and he was enthroned to receive the so-called "first obedience" of the cardinals. They came forward one by one, some calm and smiling, others sober and non-committal, while still others found considerable difficulty in concealing

will be bishop of Rome and vicar of Jesus Christ, successor to St. Peter, prince of the apostles, supreme pontiff of the universal church, patriarch of the west, primate of Italy, archbishop and metropolitan of the Roman province, sovereign of the temporal dominions of the Holy Roman Church. The News in London.

London, Aug. 4.—News of the election of Cardinal Sarto as pope, reached England first through an associated press dispatch from New York. The information was communicated to the Catholic church authorities, and Monsignor Johnson, who is in charge of church affairs here pending the appointment of a successor to Cardinal Vaughan, said: "I am glad the election is over and the suspense ended. Cardinal Sarto was midway between the older and younger

King Humbert. There was much interest expressed as to what title he would assume. This later was announced to be Pius X.

His Early History.

New Pope was born at Riese—A Great Preacher.

Joseph Sarto, patriarch of Venice, the new pope, was born at Riese, diocese of Treviso, in the north of Italy, June 2, 1835, and was educated at the seminary of his diocese and at the Sacra Theologia, Rome. His career has been that of a parish priest, spent almost wholly in the north of Italy.

It is singular that Venice alone of all important cities in Italy has only patriarchal rank, while many smaller cities are seats of bishops and arch-bishops. Sarto was made patriarch of Venice in 1891 and created and proclaimed cardinal

POPE LEO XIII'S PICTURE.

Many were the so-called artists who, during his life, craved the favor of taking the picture of the now lamented Pontiff Leo XIII. We are told of one in particular who had made nothing less than a caricature of the Pope. Howsoever, he had come to His Holiness with the request to write something in order to give more value to the pictures. The Pope, seeing how difficult it would be to recognize him in such a caricature, thought that he could not do any better than recall the words of the Divine Master to His disciples:

"Ego sum, nolite timere."
"It is I, fear not."—Luke xxiv. 36.
And to this the Pope added his signature.

ST. PIE-LETELLIER.

The Rev. Father Jutras returned to us from his holiday trip in the Province of Quebec on the 17th of this month.

Father Branchand, E.D.M., who replaced our parish priest during his absence, preached a retreat to the Sisters last week.

Two more Sisters are now in residence at Letellier. They will take charge of the school at St. Joseph after the holidays, spending Saturday and Sunday in the community at the convent at Letellier. By the way, the new convent is progressing very slowly. There is no wood on the premises yet, so the structure will hardly be ready for the opening.

To-morrow, the 27th, there will be a high Mass in honor of St. Ann, at 7 o'clock, recommended by the ladies of the society. At eight o'clock a requiem Mass for the late Holy Father, Pope Leo XIII.

Election day passed off without disorder, although much interest was felt and many waited at Letellier to learn the result of the polls, and afterwards to rejoice thereat.

Father Jutras is in retreat at the Palace at St. Boniface this week.

Haymaking is the order of the day, but it will not last long, as hay is scarce.

The grain is ripening fast, the crops are not promising to be very heavy, except on summer fallow, where the wheat is fine.

We hear that Miss Blais, sister to Mrs. J. Jutras, will teach the school at St. Pie after the vacation.

Mrs. H. Dansereau rejoices at the birth of another son. Mrs. Desautels, of Letellier, also.

IMPOSING CEREMONY AT ST. NORBERT.

As announced last week the blessing of the corner stone of the new church to be erected by the Trappist Fathers at St. Norbert took place on Wednesday, the 5th inst. His Grace the Archbishop of St. Boniface officiated at the imposing ceremony, and the Rev. Dom Benoit, Superior of the Chanones Reguliers de l'Immaculate Conception, gave the sermon. Many were the members of the clergy, both secular and regular, who attended. It is to be regretted, however, that the threatening rain retained at home so many of the other friends, who had fully intended to be present. The dinner served by the ladies of St. Norbert was a great credit and spoke most highly of their devotedness to the good and pious work pursued by the Trappist Fathers. Many and full of a sacred enthusiasm were the addresses delivered on the occasion. We can only make a special mention of the Rev. Father Superior of the Trappists, whose address was a gem of the most polished expression of the refined and delicate sentiments hidden under the rude garment worn by these mortified servants of the Divine Master.

HIS HOLINESS



PIUS X

their disappointment. All kissed his hand and foot while he saluted each on the cheek with the kiss of peace. Then all broke into the Te Deum with such effect that scarcely an eye was dry.

Pius X then rose, and in a voice at first tremulous, but gradually becoming full and firm, administered the papal blessing to all of the members of the sacred college. It was received with bowed and uncovered heads. The Fisherman's ring, not yet having been found, a new one designed by Camerlengo Oreglia, was placed on the pontiff's finger as a symbol of renewed power and evidence that the Catholic church has once more a sovereign head. The pope bore himself with becoming dignity, and gave no outward sign of exultation in this the supreme moment of his life.

The Pontiff's Titles.

The successor of Pope Leo is the 258th Roman Pontiff. His title

element of the sacred college, so that he probably has many useful years to live. He is active and energetic.

To the Catholics of London the election was a great surprise. The first question asked, not only by laymen, but by high church dignitaries, was, "Who is Sarto?" Books of reference were quickly hunted up in order to obtain knowledge of the career of the new pontiff. This afternoon a cable dispatch was received at the archbishop's house from the English college at Rome, formally announcing the fact of Sarto's election. The churchmen at Westminster expressed the opinion that the new pope is a quiet ecclesiastic, who has not mixed much in politics, and probably will pursue a policy designed to harmonize conflicting interests. The few who are acquainted with him say he is highly esteemed by the Italian government, and was a close friend of

June 12, 1893, and has for his titular church in Rome, St. Barnardo. He was a great preacher, fairly well known as a writer, and under him church interests in Venice have prospered. He is a member of the Congregations of Bishops and Regulars, Sacred Rites, Indulgences and Sacred Relics and Studies.

The annual retreat of the secular clergy was brought to a close last Saturday morning, when most of those that had participated returned to their respective parishes.

The Very Rev. Father P. Magnan, Vicar of the missions under charge of the Oblates of M. I., returned from Fort Francis last week. The Rev. Father Camper replaces the Very Rev. Father Alford, V.G., who is gone East to pay a visit to his sick brother, the parish priest of St. Antoine, P.Q.