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MESSENGER ITEMS.

Monday, the 3rd of December, will be the great day. The *Apostleship of Prayer* will on that date celebrate its fiftieth birthday. Owing to the rigor of the season it is not at all likely that there will be any out-door demonstrations on the part of our Associates. Nearly all the centres held their processions and pilgrimages during the month of the Sacred Heart, reserving for the more inclement part of the year the less striking, perhaps, but none the less acceptable manifestations of love and devotion to the Adorable Heart. We trust that there will not be a single centre which will not render that day hallowed by *at least* a general Communion of all its members. In remote localities, where the distance from the church might make this next to impossible, we see no reason why the eve of the feast of St Francis Xavier (which eve is a Sunday), or even the Sunday within the octave, should not be made memorable by a general communion. We already suggested the *Nozema of Grace* in our last issue, in accordance with the wish of our Director-General.



The festivities of our Lord's birth will soon follow. We cannot bring ourselves to believe that, at the close of this Golden Jubilee year, marked by so many extraordinary efforts to please the Sacred Heart, the Infant Jesus could help lavishing upon all the members of the League His most precious gifts, with His blessing to individuals and His blessings to Christian households. The home where the Sacred Heart is revered and loved must needs be one of joy and gladness, and for such the anniversary of the birth of a Saviour to mankind will be a "merry Christmas," according to the intentions of His love. And were it even visited by a passing sorrow, like the little home of Bethania, whose inmates Jesus loved, greater consolation will soon follow, and with Mary, Martha and Lazarus, the friends of the Sacred Heart will, by trial, become more fitting instruments for the manifestation of God's glory.

TREASURY, DECEMBER, 1894.

Received from the Canadian Centres.

Acts of charity,....	62,595	Pious reading,	25,529
Acts of mortification.	63,934	Masses celebrated,..	3,548
Beads,.....	266,541	Masses heard,.....	80,657
Stations of the Cross,	35,325	Works of zeal,.....	19,104
Holy Communions,..	41,720	Various good works,.	317,987
Spiritual Commu- nions,.....	200,344	Prayers,.....	465,178
Examinations of conscience,.....	37,317	Suffering; or afflic- tions,.....	27,407
Hours of silence,....	200,922	Self-conquests,.....	67,363
Charitable conversa- tions,.....	91,173	Visits to Blessed Sacrament,	85,369
Hours of labor,....	283,824		
Holy hours.....	13,230		
		Total.....	2,399,067



TWELFTH PROMISE OF OUR LORD TO BLESSED MARGARET MARY.

"I will grant the grace of final penitence to those who communicate on the First Friday in nine consecutive months."

BY JOHN J. BRANIN.

A happy death ! What comfort in the thought
That grace will aid thee at life's solemn end,
And lead thee safe though direful woes impend :
To shame, confusion shall the foe be brought,
By Him, whose blood thy priceless soul hath bought,
Whose mighty love His Sacred Heart could

rend,

Whose pleading prayer, eternal doom fore-
fend,

When crucified He thy redemption wrought.

A happy death ! 'Tis well thou shouldst secure
From Jesus' Sacred Heart this saving grace :

His is the promise, do but make it sure,

The means He gives thou wilt with faith
embrace :

His word He gives,—His word shall e'er endure :
Death shall not come till tears thy sins
efface.



GENERAL INTENTION FOR DECEMBER.

Named by the Cardinal Protector and blessed by the Pope for all Associates.

THE NEW CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES IN AFRICA.

“To bring about, wherever it may still obtain, the total extirpation of slavery, and to extend to the forlorn nations of Africa the blessings of freedom and fraternity in Christ, is the aim of our constant solicitude,” such were the words of Leo XIII in a recent Brief to the General of the Trinitarians.

And not long since, in his admirable Encyclical to Princes and Peoples, he brought out into bold relief the extraordinary facility existing nowadays for the preaching of the Gospel to heathens and unbelievers seated in the shadow of death. “For this spreading of the Gospel,” said the Holy Father, “the times we now traverse seem eminently fitted; never, in fact, has the sense of human brotherhood penetrated deeper the mind of man, and never did any other age bear witness to a keener desire to seek out and become acquainted with the lot of his fellowmen in view of succoring them, nor was the immense expanse of sea and land ever before traversed with such rapidity. Precious indeed are these advantages, not only for commerce and for the discoveries of men of science, but also for the diffusion of God’s word.”

It will not, therefore, be a matter of surprise if, after an interval of three years, the new and flourishing Christian communities of Africa should be again recommended by the Sovereign Pontiff to the fervent prayers of our associates.

During that same interval, as all our readers are aware, a storm of blood swept over the magnificent missions bordering on the equatorial lakes of the Dark Continent. The success with which God was pleased to crown the zeal of the "White Fathers" had, for some time previous, aroused the bitter envy of the heretical missionaries; so, to put a stop to the onward march of Catholicity in Uganda, they did not scruple to make use of the most questionable means, and finally had recourse to wholesale murder and pillage. Crushed by brute force, the faithful were obliged to assent to conditions of a nature to gravely compromise the future of the mission. Thank God, the evil results have not been as disastrous as anticipated. Taking Heaven and Earth to witness the spoliations inflicted on them by their enemies, the Catholic missionaries have brought the governments of Europe to recognize the righteousness of their cause, and England, after having disavowed the excesses perpetrated in her name, and without her knowledge, has restored, to a great extent at least, the flocks and their places of meeting to their rightful pastors.

The situation to-day in Uganda, though still somewhat precarious from a political point of view, is excellent from a super-natural standpoint and as far as proselytism is concerned. *

Nor is it only within the limits of Uganda, we are happy to say, that this amelioration has become so marked. "Day after day the Catholic faith penetrates

* *Missions Catholiques*, Vol. XXV, p. 3, and July 20, 1894, p. 342.

further and further into the Dark Continent, and Bechuanaland, in the Orange Free State, is one of the last regions wherein it yet remains to plant the Cross." †

The blood of martyrs continues to be, for the missions founded in equatorial Africa, thanks to the fruitful initiative of Cardinal Lavignerie, a fountain-head of blessings. An extraordinary movement towards the knowledge of the truth, made manifest by the number of conversions, is now taking place not only in the Victoria Nyanza region, in Tanganika, in the Upper Congo, but even in Uvyaniembee.

But let us not lose sight of the difficulties which yet remain. "The hindrances which are still to be met with," writes one among the African missionaries, "are such that in confronting them one must have that faith which moves mountains.

"We need men and resources. The field is vast, the undertaking arduous, but the cause is the best and noblest of causes. What a grand work for a Catholic to found a mission, a school, a convent, a hospital in the heart of one of these cities swarming with unbelievers! How reassuring for him at the moment of death to think that there above hundreds, perhaps thousands, of poor natives, baptized through his charitable assistance, are waiting to receive him with outstretched arms!" *

But what the missionaries ask for with even greater earnestness is "the spiritual alms of prayer. There where the Apostolate of the word is insufficient to cope with the difficulties, enable it to work prodigies by associating with it the APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER." ‡

"Oh! Heart of Jesus," exclaims one of the valiant apostles of Africa, "accomplish what Thou hast so well

† *Missions Catholiques*, Vol. XXVI, p. 163.

* *Ibid.*, p. 181.

‡ *Ibid.*, p. 286.

begun : send to these yet pagan nations numerous and zealous workers, and inspire your devoted servants in Europe with an efficacious resolve to support Thy missionaries and Thy works."

PRAYER.

O Jesus, through the most pure Heart of Mary, I offer Thee all the prayers, work and sufferings of this day for all the intentions of Thy Divine Heart, in union with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, in reparation of all sins, and for all requests presented through the Apostleship of Prayer ; in particular for the prosperity of the new Christian communities in Africa. Amen.

CHRISTMAS.

Hark ! hark to the chimes in the old church tower
As they usher in the dark midnight hour !
And the pealing organ in triumph rings,
And the choir the angel-chorus sings :

" Gloria in Excelsis Deo ! "

And when the worshippers kneel to pray,
As cradled on straw, in the cave He lay
That Christmas night long ages ago,
The Babe lies now on the Altar's snow.

" Et in terra pax hominibus ! "

He makes His home in each loving heart ;
He bids the poor sinner in peace depart ;
He seeks for the shepherd, He welcomes the king,
Peace, peace is the message the angel-bands bring :

" Hominibus bonæ voluntatis ! "

Come haste to the manger to welcome your Lord !
He would be by the hearts of His loved ones adored ;
To men of good-will His peace He will bring,
And heaven and earth shall in harmony sing :

*" Gloria in excelsis Deo et in terra pax hominibus
bonæ voluntatis ! "*

A. SAN JOSE.



ST. THOMAS OF CANTERBURY.

December 29th.

Although no personage of history is probably better known than Thomas à Becket, few of the saints seem to be less known than St. Thomas of Canterbury. Indeed, few of the English-speaking children who study off so readily the deeds of the *man* ever think of the life of the *saint*, and some even may not know that they are one and the same.

The romantic history of Gilbert à Becket and his Syrian wife is familiar to all students of history ; but we may just mention here, what all may *not* know, that the latter was baptized under the name of Maud, and that she brought up her little son in the love and fear of God, and instilled into him a deep and tender devotion to Our Blessed Lady.

At the age of twenty-one Thomas had lost both father and mother ; they had left him, however, a good education and a perfect knowledge of his religion. He had been distinguished from his earliest childhood by his love of truth, and would suffer any punishment or disgrace rather than tell a lie. He was of a very serious turn of mind, but, being taken into the family of a nobleman who indulged excessively in hawking, he became much attached to that pleasure. One day, while following his favorite pursuit, Thomas became much interested in a contest between a hawk and a duck, and the latter diving into the river, the eager courtier jumped off his horse

and plunged in after it. The stream was too rapid for his strength, and he was carried down towards a mill-wheel, which suddenly stopped, and Becket was rescued. Full of gratitude to God, he began to reflect on the life of useless pleasure he was leading, and abandoning all, resolved to study for the Church.

After his ordination he was received into the household of the pious Theobald, Archbishop of Canterbury, who had been an intimate friend of our saint's father. Theobald had such an opinion of the young priest's sanctity and judgment, that he asked his advice on all important matters.

The king, hearing of this learned and holy prelate, committed to him the education of his son, and finally made him Lord Chancellor. Although obliged by his position to live with some splendor, the saint himself continued to be ever most pious and mortified, and escaped the many snares laid for his virtue, even by the king himself. On the death of Theobald, St. Thomas, being informed by the king that he was to be that prelate's successor, refused, and being urged by his royal master to give the reasons for his refusal, at length told Henry that if he became Archbishop of Canterbury he knew he would soon lose the favor of the Crown, as he would be obliged to protect the Church against any encroachments, even of the Sovereign.

The history of the noble conduct of the new Archbishop we all know,—his zeal in defending his sacred charge, his obedience to the Holy See, his sufferings, his martyrdom; but the fruits of the saint's blood, the change of conduct of the king, and the miracles wrought by the invocation of the saint, history forbears to mention. Henry immediately restored to the Church the rights he had striven to wrest from it, begged absolution from the Holy Father, and strictly fulfilled the penance assigned him.

The four murderers of St. Thomas—Sir William Tracy, Sir Hugh Morville, Sir Richard Briton and Sir Reginald Fitz-Orson—went to Rome and there asked for pardon. His Holiness enjoined them a pilgrimage to the Holy Land. Three of them at once repaired thither, shut themselves up in an abode of penance, and shortly afterwards died. They were buried before the gate of the Church of Jerusalem, and on the stone that marks the place is the following epitaph: “Here lie the wretches who martyred blessed Thomas, Archbishop of Canterbury.” The fourth one deferred his penance, and died of a horrible pestilence in Calabria, invoking the martyr with his dying breath.

Zeal for the glory of God shone most conspicuously in St. Thomas, and his glorious martyrdom terminated a life of sufferings. We can imitate him at a distance, by never shirking a duty that we may secure peace for ourselves, when by so doing we leave the interests of God undefended. Let us beg his intercession, that we may be honorable and upright in all our dealings with others, and that, in the words of our Divine Lord, we may “fear not them who kill the body, but fear Him who can cast both body and soul into hell.”

A. SAN JOSE.

THE BEGGAR-BABY.

FROM THE IRISH MESSENGER.

A hoar frost fell, and the stars were bright,
 When a feast was held on an Eastern night.
 With luxury, wealth and rich perfume,
 The inns were full, not an inch of room—
 No room for a beggar-Baby!

And wearily backward their steps they bent,
The Mother-maid on an old man leant,
To a ruined hut—for the rest's denied—
But hush! there's a wail on the mountain side—
The wail of a beggar-Baby.

On a truss of straw that was dank with dew,
'Neath an open roof that the wind swept through,
In the cradling fold of Its Mother's arm,
While the breath of the kine came soft and warm
On His brow, was the beggar-Baby.

The feast was held in the city's ways,
And doves were offered, and prayer and praise,
But nothing for Him save a star in the sky,
And angels singing their lullaby,
A song for the beggar-Baby.

He wants no slaves to attend His call,
He wants no land, for He's Lord of all ;
He wants no jewels, no rich perfume,
But He wants our hearts—let us there make room,
Make room for the beggar-Baby.

To crave one thought for the Life to come ;
To crave one prayer, and our lips are dumb ;
To crave regret for the sins we know ;
To crave our love, for He loves us so,
He came as a beggar-Baby.

Come now, for 'tis Christ's acceptable time ;
Come now, for, listen, the joy-bells chime.
Let us follow the path that His saints have trod,
And He'll reach us out, with the smile of a God,
The Hands of a beggar-Baby.



EILEEN O'CONNOR'S TEMPTATION.

Christmas eve in Montreal, in the dear old city that in its earliest history was placed by its noble founder under the protection of the Holy Mother of the Christ Child. Well and truly has Maisonneuve been styled "First Knight of the Queen of the Angels," for more faithful Knight never had our Liege Lady.

Christmas eve. What memories the words call forth, for the old tender thoughts of times gone by, for the young visions of joys in years to come, to all peace and good will. Scarcely in any other place is the Christmas spirit entered into as in our city. The white, glistening snow, the eager, joyous crowds, the merry jingle of the sleighbells, and above all the sweet and solemn chimes sounding forth from the church towers proclaiming the message of old: "Good tidings of great joy."

In striking contrast to all the merry making was a room in a tenement in a crowded quarter of the city, occupied by Eileen O'Connor and her three little children,—a cold, cheerless room, almost devoid of furniture, a miserable stove with but an apology for a fire in its cheerless grate.

A glance would tell one that it had not always been thus with the occupant of the room. The gentle, quiet ways, the sweet, calm face told of one who had seen better days,—the face of one totally unused to the miserable ways of poverty, staying within her own apartments, making no acquaintances. Her neighbors knew nothing of her straightened circumstances, for poor as they were, they would gladly have rendered her assistance. But

Eileen, with the true Irish horror of the very name of begging, had concealed her poverty even from the good nuns whose joy it is to help the poor and needy.

Ah! The proud, generous Irish heart was made *to give* alms, never *to ask*.

Failing to secure the work she expected, Eileen was forced to part with her jewelry, and one after another of her little trinkets were sold to enable her to keep a roof over her head and supply her little ones with food. And so she struggled on day after day, hoping against hope that something would occur to relieve her necessity, hoping and praying, holding even in the depth of her misery her faith in the Sacred Heart for whose glory she had worked in happier days as a zealous promoter of the Holy League. Yet notwithstanding her hopes and prayers, she found herself and her children Christmas eve on the verge of starvation.

Well might the poet write:

“ Oh poverty, 'tis a weary thing
'Tis full of grief and pain.
It weigheth down the soul of man
As with an iron chain.
It maketh e'en the little child
With heavy sighs complain.”

In her despair like a gleam of light in darkness came a thought of the Sacred Heart, and she determined to put her request once more in the intention box of the League. Commending her little ones to the care of Our Mother of Good Counsel, she went forth into the bright Christmas air, laden as it was with the sounds of the joyous chatter and merry laughter of the happy people who passed to and fro on Christmas gifts intent. What a contrast all this wealth and happiness was to the miserable thoughts of poor Eileen as she slowly made her way toward the church!

Suddenly the sight of all this wealth and happiness did what the knowledge of her children starving had failed to do, and in a moment her heart was filled with envy and rebellion, and turning to retrace her steps, murmuring "Even God has forgotten me," she was about to destroy the paper on which her request was written, when a voice whispered in her ear: "Child of little faith!" Was it the voice of her good angel, or were the words uttered by some passer-by, I know not, but to this day Eileen O'Connor insists that she heard the words clearly and distinctly above the noise of the street. Hastily turning, and offering up a prayer for forgiveness, she reached the church, and entering, placed her request in the box. Before leaving, she knelt for a few moments in silent prayer.

Dear Loving Heart of our Holy Redeemer! How quick to forgive! How eager to answer our prayers! Scarcely had she reached the top of the many flights of steps that lead to the entrance of the sacred edifice, when weak from hunger and fatigue she stumbled, and would have fallen, had she not been caught by a gentleman who was leisurely making his way towards the church, but seeing the poor woman about to fall hastened to her assistance? A glance in the white worn face caused him to cry out in terror and amazement: "Father in Heaven! Eileen!" Hearing his voice she exclaimed "Jack!" and lapsed into unconsciousness. It was but the work of a moment to carry her into the vestibule and apply such restoratives as could be secured. After she had sufficiently revived to tell the number of her dwelling, Jack hailed a sleigh and drove rapidly to the place where the poor children, cold and shivering, were in terror at the prolonged absence of their mother. Hastily embracing them, he placed them in the sleigh beside Eileen, and proceeded to the hotel where he had put up until the arrival of the train that was to con-

vey him to the little village of L...where he had left his family only a short year before.

After the mother and children had been supplied with food and otherwise made comfortable, the strangely reunited pair had time to make mutual explanations.

But how comes Jack O'Connor to the church of the Gesù in time to save his wife, not alone from a serious fall, but from misery and want?

Ah, that is our story. Let us go back a year and see him in the village of L...not far from Montreal. Holding the position as superintendent of the — works, a comfortable home, three healthy children and a little fund put by in case of need, few of their friends or neighbors could imagine that the hour of need would ever come to Jack O'Connor and his pretty wife Eileen. But illness and business reverses forced Jack to leave his loved ones, to make an effort to recoup his fortune before all their little savings were spent. So one fine morning he bade them good-bye, and started for a miners' camp in the West, thinking like many others of the fortunes to be found in the bosom of mother earth. For some time after his departure, letters came regularly, but as he ventured further from the haunts of civilization the correspondence gradually ceased, but still no thought of anxiety entered his mind about those at home. Happy in the thoughts that whatever difficulty he had to undergo Eileen knew it not, and working for them like the true-hearted man he was, he counted as nothing any hardship whereby he could make the future happier for his loved ones.

As I have said, he suffered no anxiety about them, for the money in the bank was sufficient to supply their moderate wants until a year had gone by the time agreed upon for his absence. Shortly after his departure, however, there was a crash in the financial circle, and the bank that

held poor Eileen's little store went under like the rest, and she was forced to try to earn something to supply her children with food. Alarmed at not receiving any news from her husband, and thinking she would more easily earn her living in a large city, she sold her household effects and moved to Montreal. We see how she struggled and failed in her undertaking, and was at last tempted to doubt the Giver of every good and perfect gift.

Her husband had been more fortunate than the majority of miners, his claim proved to be valuable, and securing a purchaser, he said farewell to his fellow-workers, and left for home, happy in the surprise he would give his dear ones on Christmas. Having to remain in Montreal for some hours, waiting for the train that was to carry him home, he spent the time in purchasing Christmas gifts. This pleasant task over, he wended his way to the nearest Church, to offer thanks to God for his good fortune. Thus we find him in answer to his wife's prayers to the Sacred Heart.

"Oh!" she exclaimed in relating it afterward to her husband. "What would have become of me had I persisted in my despair and rebellion? God was indeed merciful. Praise to His Holy Name."

Many years passed over the head of Eileen O'Connor since the Christmas eve of the opening of our story. Happy, prosperous years that have scarcely left a silver thread in her sunny brown hair nor a furrow on her low, smooth brow.

Happy in the love of her husband and children, crowned with the blessings of the poor, her quiet life goes on. Jack, a prosperous business man; her daughter Alice, a novice in a convent of the Sisters of Charity; her two boys, healthy, happy lads, students in the college near by.

Yet happy and blessed as she is, Eileen O'Connor never hears the bells ring out their chimes for Midnight

Mass, but she thinks, with a shudder and fervent act of contrition, of that Christmas eve so long ago, when she was tempted to doubt the Sacred Heart.

S. SUTHERLAND.

R. I. P.

The prayers of the League are earnestly requested for the following members lately deceased:—

Mr. Charles F. MacCallum, late of Montreal, d. at Anaconda Sept. 27; Mrs. Carty of Brantford, d. Oct. 21; Mrs. Crawford, of Campbellford, d. Oct. 24; Mrs. Margaret Gartland of Cheborgan, Mich., d. Aug. 22; James McShane, d. Sept. 16, and James Lawrence Foster, d. Sept. 24, both of Guelph; Mrs. Elizabeth Lawlor, d. April 3, and Mr. Luke Clarke, d. March 29, both of Hamilton; John Kelly, of Kingston; Miss Ruby McNally, d. Oct. 13, Miss Matilda MacDonald, d. Oct. 26, Margaret McCarthy, Andrew Cosby, John Brady, Alice Gallagher, d. in Oct., Mrs. Labrecque, d. in Oct., Mr. Patrick Moore, Miss S. Moore, d. Oct. 20; Mrs. Sarah Laughlin, d. Aug. 14; Margaret Elizabeth Donnelly, d. Sept. 16, all of Montreal; Mr. Alexander McPhail of St. Andrews, d. at Bonville Sept. 16; Mrs. May and Katie Smith, both of Orillia; Mary Crimmens, of Pilkington, d. Oct. 10; Mr. Kenny, of Phelpston, d. Sept. 16; Miss Anne Johnston, d. Nov. 2, and Julia Hartigan, d. in June, both of Quebec; Mrs. Martin McDonell, of Renfrew, d. in Sept. John O'Brien, d. Sept. 9, and Elizabeth Flanagan, d. Oct. 29, both of Montreal; Mrs. Margaret Lavin, of Moncton, d. April 5; Mrs. Thomas Hart, of Coburg, d. Oct. 25; Miss Mary Emma Lacombe, of Bracebridge, d. Oct. 14.

A Child's Night Prayer.

Andantino. (♩=58)



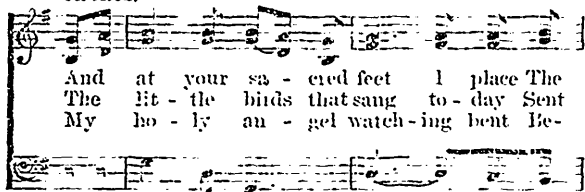
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2. The shep - herds had their lit - tle lambs, The
3. And oh! it seems that all have done The

now an-oth-er day With all its pow'r of good and
kings their gifts of gold, And both their ho - ly lov - ing
work they had to do, And on - ly I come back a -

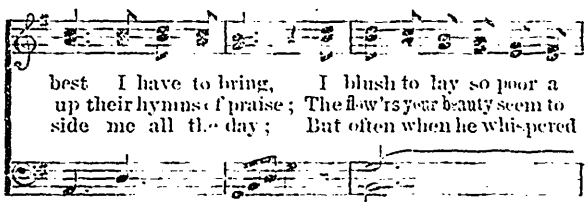
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hearts, ... In Beth - le - hem of old ;.....
gain..... With gifts so poor and few.....

A Child's Night Prayer.

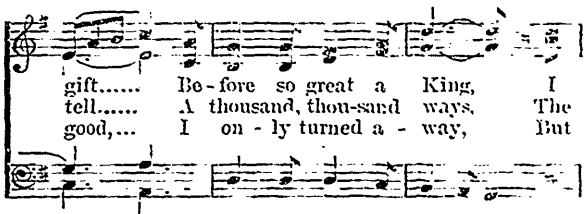
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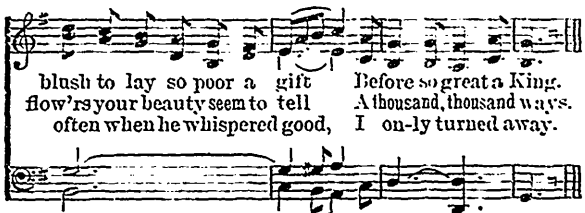
And at your sa - cred feet I place The
The lit - tle birds that sang to - day Sent
My ho - ly an - gel watch - ing bent Be -



best I have to bring, I blush to lay so poor a
up their hymns of praise; The flow'rs your beauty seem to
side me all the day; But often when he whispered



gift..... Be - fore so great a King, I
tell..... A thousand, thou - sand ways, The
good, ... I on - ly turned a - way, But



blush to lay so poor a gift Before so great a King.
flow'rs your beauty seem to tell A thousand, thousand ways.
often when he whispered good, I on - ly turned away.

Just once or twice a prayer went up,
And I the combat won ;
And that I knew was something earned
To bring when day was done.
But many, many were the faults
That now stand out so plain,
Like blots upon this precious day
I ne'er can live again.

My heart, at least, I have to give ;
'Tis more than gold to you ;
I wish it were a better heart,
More humble and more true.
Do not refuse it, Jesus dear !
Forgive me, I implore
Take all I have to give to-day,
To-morrow I'll bring more.

J. M. M.



UNPUBLISHED DOCUMENTS.

RELATING TO CATHOLIC CANADIAN HISTORY.
THE AULNEAU LETTERS.

1734-1745.

No. 23

This letter, dated Poitiers, Sept. 18, 1737, from Father Magra, who was preparing for the foreign missions, to Madame Aulneau, contains no items of interest for the general reader.

No. 24

(Translation)

FATHER BESSOU TO MADAME AULNEAU.

Address: Madame de la Touche Aulneau, veuve, au Moutier sur Lay, près Luçon en Bas Poitou.

KOUROU, May 16, 1738.

MADAM,

The three letters you did me the honor to write—January 18, November 9 and December 26, 1737,—reached me safely. They gave me great pleasure. I was much edified at the generous way in which you received the news of the death of my dear friend, your son. The sacrifice you made on this occasion, by raising you above

mere natural sentiment, is more than creditable and does honor to your Christian character and to your virtue. That you should have wept is praiseworthy, when the tears you shed were those of joy and tender affection at the death of a dearly beloved son who so well deserved this appellation. The nature of his death would admit of your shedding no others. Our greatest comfort in this bereavement is the well grounded hope that at home in God's glory he will not forget us here below.

I am never so grateful for the many expressions of kindness contained in your letters. If ever the occasion present itself of showing you my gratitude, I shall eagerly take advantage of it. Accept at least the expression of my good will, and do me the favor of believing in it implicitly. Do not tire praying our Lord for me. For my part, rest assured that I shall not forget you.

I have heard with satisfaction that our Father General has made you a participant in the good works of the Society. This affiliation gives me a new claim on your prayers and meritorious deeds; and what you did before for me through a motive of charity you owe me now, if I may so express myself, through a motive of justice.

Since you are pleased to listen to what concerns me, I shall set about giving you some of my news. I owe you this on account of the interest you take in whatever relates to our missions.

This year they are on the point of establishing three. Our Superiors have destined me for one. They have appointed Father Dayma to the mission of *St. Paul des Saulls*, in the Oyapok district, where I left him when I set out from Cayenne. Along the Upper Oyapok, extending inland, are a great many Indians of different tribes. But as we intend to proceed step by step, we shall work to bring about the conversion of all these natives by means of those established along the banks of the river. Here are

the names of some of the native tribes : The Aquoquas, the Ouages or, as they are called by some, the Ouaris, the Taroupis and the Coussanis. The French and even the Indians accuse the latter of eating human flesh. It is certain that the Coussanis have the reputation of being more ferocious than the other tribes who are in closer relations with the French. I noticed this myself when I made a journey into their country with Father Fauque, one of our missionaries. Of all the tribes scattered along the Oyapok they are the furthest from the coast, and live not very far from the sources of the river.

We ascended another stream, "the Ramopi ; it is not inconsiderable, and flows into the Oyapok at a point about three days journey for St. Paul's mission. We paid a visit also to the Ouages, who dwell near its upper waters. We met on our way a party of Taroupis and Aquoquas, but their band was not numerous. Their villages are situated far up a number of little tributary streams impassable for our canoes. All the Indians we met, and they did not exceed in number five hundred, seemed well disposed and ready to settle in the spot chosen for the permanent mission, were we to take them at their word. Unfortunately, their fickle character leads me to think that it will take a long time to bring them together in spite of their promises.

Pray God that they may persevere in their present favorable mood, for they are to be pitied beyond measure. They do not seem to have the least idea of God, nor do they know what religion means. They are just like so many brute beasts, and their own idea is that they differ from the animal by their form only. They are wholly engrossed in the present, and have no thought and no fear of a future. Without my dwelling longer on this topic, you can already form a correct estimate of the satisfaction one may have in living among

such beings. But however degraded and stupid they may be, a God shed His blood for their salvation. What a happiness, if, sustained by divine grace, our Lord should design to make use of me for the conversion of these poor unfortunate beings ! I do not despair of their conversion. Those who are gathered around St. Paul's mission were as barbarous as any of the others. They are beginning to be tamed, and a large proportion of the three hundred seemed to be inclined to become Christians. We instruct them, and they retain pretty well our lessons in the Christian doctrine ; but as we have to explain things of which they have had no conception, they as yet understand but little of the lessons imparted. We must hope that through God's mercy this understanding will come with time. This year we were counting upon baptizing a good number. I recommend them to your prayers.

Dear Michael's letter, which you enclosed to me, was a source of real pleasure. I am delighted at his choice, for he has entered a congregation highly estimable on many accounts. I congratulate you and I congratulate him for having chosen so well. Now you must be happy, for your youngest son has consecrated himself to God in fulfilment of your desires. This is another added to the sacrifices you have made to God. It is not often we see a family nearly all of whose members have devoted themselves to the service of God. How consoling it must be for you to see the holy education you have given to your children bear such fruit ! I congratulate myself on having some share in the thoughts of a family singled out by Heaven for such blessings. I rely on your continuing to beg of God for me the graces I need to serve Him faithfully. My respects, I pray you, to your dear *religieuse*. I have the honor to be very devotedly, Madam,

Your most humble and most obedient servant,

BESSOU, J.

THANKSGIVINGS

For favors received from the Sacred Heart, published in fulfillment of promises made.

ALEXANDRIA.—Two Promoters, for temporal favors received. Five Associates, for temporal favors. Two Associates, for great spiritual favors granted. One Associate, for obtaining desired employment. For a very special favor. For the conversion of a friend. An Associate, for a special temporal favor received. A Promoter, for success at two examinations. An Associate, for a special favor. An Associate, for a favor obtained through the intercession of St. Joseph. A Promoter, for success at an examination. A Promoter, for two temporal favors granted. A Promoter, for a temporal favor obtained through the intercession of St. Francis Xavier. An Associate, for two temporal favors obtained.

ALLISTON.—For a special favor, and for employment for a friend.

AMHERSTBURG.—A Member, for three temporal favors received. For a conversion obtained through the intercession of the Canadian Martyrs.

ANTIGONISH.—A Member, for a special favor granted. A Promoter, for a temporal favor obtained through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin. A Promoter, for a spiritual and temporal favor received.

ARNPRIOR, ONT.—An Associate, for a great temporal favor received through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin, also for many other favors received. A Promoter, for favors received both temporal and spiritual through the intercession of St. Ann and St. Joseph. A Member, for having found something that was lost, through the intercession of St. Ann and the Blessed Virgin. A Member, for favors received through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin, St. Joseph and St. Ann.

BARRIE, ONT.—A Promoter, for two temporal favors received.

BATHURST, N.B.—A Promoter, for a temporal favor obtained through the intercession of St. Joseph. An Associate, for the cure of a sore throat. A Promoter, for two temporal favors received. A Promoter, for a great favor received after praying to Our Lady of Perpetual Help. An Associate, for two temporal favors received. A Promoter, for two temporal favors received.

BATHURST VILLAGE.—A Member, for the cure of a sore throat after applying the relics of the Canadian Martyrs.

BELLE RIVER.—A Promoter, for a temporal favor received. A young man, for a lucrative position obtained. A mother, for recovery from illness. Also for many favors obtained through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin and St. Joseph. An Associate, for a reconciliation and peace restored in a family; a great signal favor, also a brother's conversion. Three Associates, for four great favors obtained. Two Associates, for success in an examination. A young person, for a safe journey.

BERLIN, ONT.—For the relief of a severe headache after applying the Badge. For two favors obtained. For the passing of a successful examination, and for a temporal favor received.

BRANTFORD.—A Member, for a favor granted. An Associate, for two temporal favors obtained through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin, St. Joseph and St. Ann, and after having prayers offered for the Souls in Purgatory and masses said.

BRECHIN.—A Promoter, for a special favor received through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin; also for a temporal favor granted.

CALEDONIA.—A Promoter, for a favor obtained. A Promoter, for two favors obtained after special prayers were offered to the Sacred Heart.

CAMPBELLFORD.—A Promoter, for a special favor received.

CHATHAM, ONT.—For a favor received through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin, St. Joseph and St. Anthony. For three temporal favors and one spiritual obtained through the intercession of St. Joseph. For four temporal favors granted. For restoration of health to three persons. For two spiritual favors.

COBOURG.—A Member, for a special favor received through the intercession of St. Joseph. An Associate, for two temporal favors granted. An Associate, for a very great temporal favor received, after praying to the Blessed Virgin, and particularly to St. Ann.

CALUMET ISLAND, P.Q.—An Associate, for a temporal favor received, after a novena to St. Anthony in honor of the Sacred Heart.

COLGAN, ONT.—A Member, for a request granted after a novena to the Sacred Heart, the Blessed Virgin, and prayers to St. Ann and St. Joseph. A Member, for a great favor received after making a novena to the Sacred Heart and having a mass offered.

CORNWALL.—For a temporal favor received after having promised a mass for the Souls in Purgatory. A Promoter, for a temporal favor obtained.

DARTMOUTH, N. S.—A Member, for a great temporal favor received through the intercession of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart. A Promoter, for several temporal favors obtained.

DOWNEYVILLE.—An Associate, for a cure from a nervous illness, after making a novena to the Sacred Heart. For a cure from paralysis after making a novena to the Sacred Heart.

DUNDAS.—An Associate, for a situation obtained. A Member, for a great favor obtained through special prayers to the Sacred Heart.

FLOS.—For the recovery of a sick child, after promising to have a mass offered for the Souls in Purgatory. A Promoter, for great success in a special undertaking, and many other favors received.

FREELTON.—A Promoter, for having received the grace of making a good confession, through prayers to the Sacred Heart and the suffering Souls.

GUELPH.—A Member, for a temporal favor received. For a situation obtained after making a novena. For very many favors received, especially for the successful result of an examination. .. Member, for a great favor obtained after repeated petitions, and a promise to have ten masses offered for the Souls in Purgatory. A Promoter, for money received, after promising to recite the beads three times for the Holy Souls.

HALIFAX, N.S.—A Member, for the cure of a severe illness. For favors received by a family. For the cure of a sore eye after applying the Badge. For a situation obtained. For a temporal favor received. For a temporal favor received through the intercession of Our Lady of the Rosary. For a temporal favor received after promising a mass for the Souls in Purgatory. For a successful examination after making a novena. For a temporal favor obtained through the Holy League and the intercession of Our Lady, St. Joseph and the Holy Souls, with promise of a mass of thanksgiving. For favors received after making a novena and promising a mass for the Holy Souls in Purgatory. For a temporal favor. For favors received through the Holy League. For bringing a person safely through sickness. For many favors obtained through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin and St. Joseph. For the cure of a sore throat by the application of the Badge. For spiritual and temporal favors received. For two favors received. For the partial recovery from paralysis. For two temporal favors ob-

tained. A Member, for the cure of a dear relative through continual prayers to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Blessed Virgin. For many favors both spiritual and temporal.

HAMILTON.—A Member, for the cure of a brother from the habit of drinking, through her prayers to the Sacred Heart. For three spiritual and two temporal favors. A Promoter, for a very great temporal favor received through the intercession of Our Lady of Victory and the Souls in Purgatory. A Member, for a temporal favor received through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin and St. Joseph.

HASTINGS.—For favors received. A Member, for recovery from a dangerous illness through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin, good St. Ann and St. Joseph. For a very sore shoulder cured through the intercession of St. Ann. For a great favor obtained.

INGERSOLL.—A Promoter, for two special favors obtained through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin. A Promoter, for a temporal favor received after making a novena in honor of the Sacred Heart. An Associate, for a special favor. For the conversion of a husband who was addicted to drink. A temporal favor obtained through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin. For a favor obtained after making a novena to the Blessed Virgin.

KINGSTON, ONT.—For a special favor obtained. For another favor received. A Promoter, for four favors received during October. For the cure of a sore throat through the intercession of St. Ann. For a cure obtained after prayers to St. Ann and St. Benedict. For one great special favor, after a novena to St. Anthony, also for many temporal favors received.

LA SALETTE.—A Member, for a great spiritual favor obtained.

LONDON.—Special thanks for employment obtained after having a mass offered for the Souls in Purgatory. For a very great favor obtained by having a novena of masses offered, also two other favors obtained by making the Way of the Cross. For a spiritual favor. For health and employment. For better health obtained by making a novena for the Souls in Purgatory.

MARYSVILLE.—A Member, for a special favor obtained through the intercession of St. Joseph after special prayers and devotion during the month of March.

MEDONTE.—For health received through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

MONCTON.—An Associate, living in Pictou, Nova Scotia, for a favor granted.

MONTREAL.—An Associate, for her cure after two operations by putting herself under the protection of the Blessed Virgin, and making a novena to St. Ann and praying to the Souls in Purgatory. A Promoter, for two spiritual favors received after making a novena in honor of St. Anthony and the Blessed Virgin; one favor was granted the eve of the last day of the novena; also for a favor granted some time ago after saying the Thirty Days prayer to the Blessed Virgin. A Promoter, for having passed a successful examination. For having received news of an absent brother, through the intercession of St. Ann. An Associate, for having obtained, through the intercession of St. Ann, the grace for her husband, who is also a member, of being more regular in making the Monthly Communion of Reparation. An Associate, for a situation obtained and for the recovery of a grandchild. A Member, for a complete cure, and an independent position secured. A Promoter, for a father's recovery from illness obtained through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin, St. Joseph and St. Ann. Also, for a situation obtained for a Member. For employment for a

husband through a novena to St. Anthony. An Associate, for being cured of a bad cold through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin. For the success of a student who passed his examinations. A Member, for the cure of a child through prayers to the Sacred Heart. A young person, for a temporal favor obtained some time ago through the intercession of the Canadian Martyrs. A Member, for a conversion to the Faith which had been for a long time recommended to the prayers of the League. A Member, for a young man who has been brought back to the practice of his religion. For a temporal favor obtained. An Associate, for a favor obtained. A young man, for two temporal favors received that seemed almost impossible, through the intercession of the Holy Family and St. Anthony. For restoration to health. For recovery after a novena to the Holy Family. A Member, for a temporal favor received. For a good situation obtained. For a special grace through the intercession of the good St. Ann. For the birth and baptism of a child through prayers to the Blessed Virgin. A Promoter, for recovery from a painful abscess after having to undergo two operations, through the application of the Badge and a novena to St. Philomena, also for having heard from a dear sister. An Associate, for the answer to a request and a favor granted. A family, for a special temporal favor, also for a special spiritual favor received.

NEWCASTLE, N.B.—Two Members, for favors received. A Promoter, for favors granted. A Member, for a favor received.

NEW HAMBURG, ONT.—An Associate, for a great temporal favor granted in October, after a novena made in honor of the Sacred Heart. A Member, for a great spiritual favor granted through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin and the Holy Souls in Purgatory. A Member, for relief from pain in a sore finger, after applying the Badge and saying special prayers.

NIAGARA FALLS, ONT.—For a temporal favor obtained.

OAKVILLE, ONT.—A Member, for a special favor granted, after promising to have a mass said in honor of St. Anthony, for the Souls in Purgatory. A Member, for four temporal favors received. A Member, for a favor received.

ORILLIA.—A Promoter, for a temporal favor received.

OTTAWA.—A Member, for a temporal favor granted. A Member, for the cure of deafness in a child. For the cure of a dangerous swelling in the neck of eight months' standing, through the intercession of the Canadian Martyrs, St. Ann and Our Lady of Liesse. A Promoter, for a very great favor received after making the Nine Fridays in honor of the Sacred Heart, and offering special prayers to St. Joseph and the Blessed Virgin.

OWEN SOUND.—For success in an examination after a novena to the Sacred Heart.

PARKHILL.—A Promoter, for the recovery of a sick mother after praying in honor of the Sacred Heart and through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin and the Suffering Souls.

PENETANGUISHENE.—Two Members, for two very important favors received after two novenas, through the intercession of our Holy Martyrs. A Promoter, for two temporal favors granted her through the intercession of good St. Ann.

PETERBOROUGH.—An Associate, for recovery from illness after a novena in honor of the Sacred Heart and St. Joseph, also a novena in honor of Our Lady of Pity. An Associate, for a temporal favor. A Promoter, for a temporal favor obtained through a novena to St. Ann and the Canadian Martyrs. A Member, for a great temporal favor received—the means to pay a debt which weighed heavily on the person and caused great mental anxiety. A Member, for a great many temporal and spiritual fa-

vors. A Member, for a great temporal favor received shortly after a promise to publish if granted. The same Member, for the cure of a pain in the side after offering up prayers to the Sacred Heart. A Member, for the safe return of a friend obtained through the most pure Heart of Mary and the intercession of St. Joseph and St. Aloysius. Also for the abstaining of a dear friend from the use of intoxicating liquor for a certain period, through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin, St. Ann and St. Joseph.

PORT HOOD.—A Promoter, for a favor obtained through the intercession of St. Michael the Archangel. A Promoter, for six temporal favors obtained in August.

PORTLAND, ONT.—A Member, for great improvement in her health, through making a novena to Blessed Margaret Mary; also for many other favors.

QUEBEC.—For the cure of a girl suffering from fever, through a novena made in honor of the Blessed Virgin. Also, for the recovery of a child and the cure of a sore throat, after a novena made in honor of Blessed Gerard Majella. For a favor obtained through the intercession of the Canadian Martyrs. An Associate, for having obtained employment after praying to the Sacred Heart. A family, for a very great temporal favor obtained. A Promoter, for peace of mind restored. A young school boy, for a great favor obtained. A Promoter, for a very great favor obtained; also for another great favor after making the Novena of Grace. A Member, for a very great favor received. An Associate, for a very great temporal favor obtained through the intercession of Our Lady of Perpetual Help. A Promoter, for being cured of indigestion and nervous trouble which seemed to cause temporary insanity, after praying to the Sacred Heart and applying the Badge of the League. A Member, for the return to temperate habits of a relative through prayers

to the Sacred Heart. For success in a temporal undertaking. A Promoter, for several spiritual graces received. A mother, for the restoration to health of her sick child. A Promoter, for several spiritual and temporal favors received.

RENFREW.—For a special favor received.

SAULT ST. MARIE.—An Associate, for a favor obtained after a novena in honor of the Blessed Virgin. For a temporal favor. A Member, for a favor obtained through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin. For two favors obtained after a novena in honor of St. Joseph and St. Ignatius. Two favors,—one a safe journey, through the intercession of St. Benedict.

STRATFORD.—A Member, for three favors obtained.

SUDBURY.—For two cures obtained after making a novena in honor of the Sacred Heart.

ST. CATHARINES, ONT.—One Member, for a temporal favor received. For several spiritual and temporal favors obtained through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin, St. Joseph and St. Aloysius. A Member, for a reconciliation between mother and daughter. A Member, for ten temporal favors obtained after prayers to the Sacred Heart.

ST. THOMAS.—A Member, for a temporal favor.

THOROLD, ONT.—For having obtained a situation. For spiritual and temporal favors received during the last month.

TORONTO.—A Member, for a father securing employment after prayers to the Blessed Virgin. For a favor obtained by a Promoter after making a novena to the Sacred Heart; also, for a special favor granted. For a situation obtained. For the cure of a sore eye after applying the badge of the Sacred Heart. For a great favor received through the Blessed Virgin. An Associate, for work obtained for a friend, also for a brother's return to confession. For a propitious answer to a petition.

TOTTENHAM.—A Member, for a cure of stiff neck after applying the Badge. For five special favors granted, also for temporal favors after a novena.

VANKLEEK HILL, ONT.—A Member, for two great temporal favors received.

WOOLER.—A Promoter, for a special favor granted. A Promoter, for the recovery of a sick person through the intercession of the Souls in Purgatory. An Associate, for a favor received.

URGENT REQUESTS for favors both temporal and spiritual have been received from Almonte, Applehill, Ont., Antigonish, Barrie, Bedford, P.Q., Berlin, Caledonia, Coburg, Freelon, Gravenhurst, Hastings, Hespeler, Lindsay, Manotic Station, Montreal, New Westminster, Ottawa, Penetanguishene, Port Hood, Quebec, Smith's Falls, Swanton, Vt., Toledo, O, Tottenham, Vaukleek Hill, Waltham, Mass. Kingston, Peterborough, Thorold.

INTENTIONS FOR DECEMBER.

RECOMMENDED TO THE PRAYERS OF THE HOLY LEAGUE
BY CANADIAN ASSOCIATES.

- 1.—S.—*Bl. Edmund Campion and Comp. MM.* Generosity in little things. 11,461 Thanksgivings.
- 2.—S.—*St. Vivian, V.M.* at. gt. rt. Fortitude. 11,150 In affliction.
- 3.—M.—*St. Francis Xavier, C. S. F.* Pray for the Eastern nations. 25,906 Departed.
- 4.—Tu.—*St. Peter Chrysologus, Bp. D.* Pray for perseverance. 15,362 Special.
- 5.—W.—*Bl. Jerome and Comp. MM.* Self-sacrifice. 1,769 Communities.
- 6.—Th.—*St. Nicholas, Bp. C.* ht. Respect little children. 8,580 1st Communions.
- 7.—F.—*St. Ambrose, Bp. D.* at. gt. Crush human respect. The League Associates.
- 8.—S.—*IMMACULATE CONCEPTION B. V. M.* at. bt. gt. mt. rt. s. Love of purity. 8,137 Means.
- 9.—S.—*St. Leocadia, V. M.* Respect to the priesthood. 2,852 Clergy.
- 10.—M.—*HOLY HOUSE OF LORETO.* Devotion to the Word made Flesh. 133,022 Children.
- 11.—Tu.—*St. D. masus Pope.* Respect the Church office. 16,169 Families.
- 12.—W.—*St. Adelaide, Empress.* Daily Decade. 13,295 Perseverance.
- 13.—Th.—*St. Lucy, V. M.* ht. pt. Holy Hour. 5,211 Reconciliations.
- 14.—F.—*St. Spiridion, Bp.* Compassion for sinners. 15,012 Spiritual favors.
- 15.—S.—*St. Christina, V.* Spirit of kindness. 10,790 Temporal favors.
- 16.—S.—*St. Eusebius, P. M.* Reparation. 80,559 Conversions to Faith.
- 17.—M.—*St. Lazarus, Bp.* Courage to begin anew. 12,582 Youth.
- 18.—Tu.—*EXPECTATION B.V.M.* Hope. 2,306 Schools.
- 19.—W.—*St. Juliana, Falconieri, V.* Love of the Eucharist. 7,484 Sick.
- 20.—Th.—*St. Eugene, Priest.* Morning offering, 2,787 Missions.
- 21.—F.—*St. THOMAS, Ap.* bt. mt. Unshaken faith. 692 Works.
- 22.—S.—*St. Flavian, M.* the spirit of faith. 1,484 Parishes.
- 23.—S.—*St. Victoria, V. M.* Trust in God. 108,396 Sinners.
- 24.—M.—*St. Delphinus, Bp.* Prepare for Christ's coming. 11,582 Parents.
- 25.—Tu.—*CHRISTMAS,* bt. gt. mt. rt. st. Renewal of Spirit. 6,301 Religious.
- 26.—W.—*St. Stephen, First Martyr.* Forbearance. 1,706 Novices.
- 27.—Th.—*St. John, Apostle.* bt. ht. mt. pt. Love the Sacred Heart. 2,784 Superiors.
- 28.—F.—*Holy Innocent, MM.* Pray for the little ones. 5,438 Vocations.
- 29.—S.—*St. Thomas a Becket, Bp. M.* Zeal for the right. The Promoters.
- 30.—S.—*St. Sabinus, M.* Generosity. 18,393 Various.
- 31.—M.—*St. Sylvester, Bp. C.* Thanksgiving and compunction. The League Directors.

†=Plenary Indulg.; a=1st Degree; b=2 Degree g=Guard of Honor and Roman Archconfraternity; h=Holy Hour; m Bona Mors; Promoters; r=Rosary Sodality; s=Sodality B.V.

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