

# The Catholic World

## CANADA—The See of Quebec

The Right Rev. Paul Eugene Roy, who has been consecrated Auxiliary Bishop of Quebec, Canada, is one of a family of 20, 15 of whom are living and four of whom are priests.

## ENGLAND—The Manning Centenary

In commemoration of the one-hundredth anniversary of the birth of the late Cardinal Manning, a great demonstration, organised by the League of the Cross, was held in Hyde Park, London, on Sunday afternoon, July 19, over 10,000 people taking part. The assemblage was one of the most memorable of the kind that has been witnessed in the metropolis for many years, and was a magnificent tribute to the memory of the revered prelate, who did so much for the amelioration of the masses. What was most remarkable about the demonstration was its representative character. From far and near marched men of all nationalities, classes, creeds, and political views to take part in it, and the banners of no fewer than 60 sections of trade organisations fluttering above their heads. Processions were organised from the East End, from Central London, from West London, and from South London, the first assembling at Tower Hill, the second at Clerkenwell Green, the third at Paddington Green, and the fourth at St. George's Cathedral, Southwark. Accompanied by bands, each section then proceeded to the Thames Embankment, whence shortly after 3 o'clock the united processions started for Hyde Park, headed by a banner bearing the words 'Cardinal Manning, the Workers' Champion. He Wrought the People Lasting Good.' Amongst the contingents were several branches of the temperance league, with which the late Cardinal's name is inseparably linked, members of the Order of Total Abstinents, Irish National Foresters, United Irish League, Catholic Total Abstinence League, and Irish National Club, whilst of trade organisations there was a splendid representation. From eight platforms orators addressed the great gathering, and many were the eloquent tributes paid to the work of the late Cardinal as prelate, social reformer, temperance advocate, and friend of Ireland.

## ROME—Irish Offerings

Two audiences interesting to English-speaking Catholics have just taken place (writes a Rome correspondent). On July 14 the Rector of the Irish College, Monsignor O'Riordan, received by the Holy Father in his private apartment, had the privilege of presenting to his Holiness several jubilee gifts of great intrinsic and artistic value on behalf of Irish Catholics. The first was a precious Papal cope, made of white poplin decorated with gold lace, and bearing the Papal arms. This was sent by a group of Irish gentlemen as an expression of their homage and devotion to the Holy Father, and was sent through Mr. Charles Dawson, of Dublin. Mr. Dawson is the author of a Life of Pope Leo XIII., and of a sketch of the career of the present Pontiff. Monsignor O'Riordan also presented to the Holy Father a richly-bound album containing photographs of the Archbishops and Bishops of Ireland. It was sent by the well-known Dublin photographers, Messrs. Lafayette. His Holiness had the album opened before him, turned over the photographs, and smilingly recognised the prelates whom he has already received in audience. The Holy Father spoke several times in praise of the excellence of the artist's work. A third gift consisted of several hundred articles for sacred use from different convents in Ireland, and from individual ladies also. These had been sent through Mrs. Fitzgerald, now absent from Rome. The Right Rev. Rector, on behalf of the Irish Sisters of Charity, further presented over 700 articles; amongst them being about 50 sets of vestments for Mass, copes, humeral veils, and, as might be expected, many of them very beautiful in design and in execution. It is, indeed, superfluous to add that the Holy Father was deeply moved by this latest demonstration of Ireland's devotion to the Successor of St. Peter, and that his Holiness commissioned Monsignor O'Riordan to convey to the donors his sincere thanks, and that he imparted to all the Apostolic Benediction.

## The Recent Decrees

Some of the secular papers (remarks the *Catholic Times*) are very much puzzled about the exact meaning of the recent Decrees reforming the Roman Congregations. They affect to see in them a policy of more complete centralisation, of extension of the Pope's personal power, of easier repression of people and things that lack favor at Rome. What they might see if they chose to look is that the Holy Father is simply changing

one method of government in ecclesiastical affairs for another and a better one. He is also providing that countries so wealthy as England and America should no longer have free administration of their particular business carried on for them, but should take their place with the other countries concerned in the ordinary system on which the Holy See manages the legislative requirements of the Faithful. There is no longer any reason, the Pope believes, why the countries he withdraws from the jurisdiction of Propaganda should not have their affairs conducted by the Congregations which deal with the affairs of countries like France and Spain. And certainly English-speaking Catholics everywhere will feel that the Holy Father, in putting them on a different status than that which they had as inhabitants of a missionary country, has but recognised the fact that they are quite able, as they are quite willing, to bear their share in the burdens of administration which the Holy See has to meet. They fall into their place in the general life of the Church, and know that in Rome, whether their matters come into the hands of this Congregation or that, they will have justice and right done them now as ever before.

## Pilgrimages to the Eternal City

During the months of September and October (writes a Rome correspondent) very large numbers of pilgrims will visit the Eternal City to congratulate the Supreme Head of the Church on the great occasion of his sacerdotal jubilee, and to testify their loyalty to the See of Peter. Besides the English, Irish, Scottish, French, and United States pilgrimages already announced, there is a national pilgrimage being organised in the Argentine Republic primarily in honor of the Papal jubilee, but with the intention of visiting also Jerusalem, Lourdes, and Saragossa. A committee has been formed for working up the matter successfully by freely advertising the pilgrimage, holding conferences, and organising fancy fairs in all parts of the Republic to aid in meeting the heavy expenses necessarily incurred, and to help to make the jubilee worthy of the staunch Catholics of the young Republic.

## The Late Pope

The fifth anniversary of the death of Pope Leo XIII. was celebrated by a special Mass in the Sistine Chapel, Rome, on July 20. The Pope was present, in addition to all the Cardinals living in Rome. The music for the ceremony was composed by the Abbe Perosi, who conducted.

## Wireless Telegraphy

The *Daily Telegraph's* correspondent at Rome says:—A French Catholic newspaper recently stated that a group of friends of the late General de Sonis, with a view to paying homage at one and the same time to the Pope and to the deceased, had decided to present to his Holiness a wireless telegraph station. This statement is now repeated by the Metz Catholic journal, *La Lorraine*, which adds that the Holy See and the Italian Government are now in negotiation for the establishment of the station. The *La Lorraine* also states that the Vatican decided to carry out the installation so that its despatches should not be intercepted by the Italian Government.

## UNITED STATES—Catholic Indians

According to the report of the Bureau of Catholic Indian missions just issued, there are 51,107 Catholic Indians in that country, ministered to by 134 priests in 90 missions. Mother Catherine Drexel still bears the greater part of the burden of the support of the Catholic Indian schools. During 1907 she contributed £25,000.

## A Present for the Pope

A costly chalice made of gold and precious stones, contributed by Catholics of Philadelphia, will be presented to Pope Pius X. in celebration of the golden jubilee of his entrance into the priesthood.

## GENERAL

### The Church in Brazil

There are in Brazil 18,000,000 Catholics out of a total population of something near 20,000,000. There are some 5127 churches and chapels, 2067 secular and 560 regular clergy, 2083 nuns engaged in hospitals and educational institutions, 524 schools, and 12 large and 17 small seminaries for the training of priests.

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