The Holy Father's activity.—The London Morning Leader tells the following to show the Holy Father's extraordinary activity:—A certain cardinal occupied rooms close to those of the Pope in the Vatican, and his Eminence frequently had the honor of being consulted on matters in which the Pontiff was engaged or interested. As time went on, however, the cardinal found the Pope's energy not a little trying It was by no means confined to the daytime. Very often during the night his Holiness would send his faithful man-servant to request the cardinal's kind attendance the daytime. Very often during the night his Holiness would send his faithful man-servant to request the cardinal's kind attendance for a few moments to talk over, it might be, an elegant passage in some Latin verses or the turn of a sentence in an encyclical. This was an exceedingly high honor for the cardinal. Only the more he marvelled at the energy of Leo XIII, the more he felt the necessity of undisturbed rest for himself. The unfortunate cleric was nearly worn to a shadow before he surrendered the honor and glory of his rooms to an unsuspecting brother, and himself fled to a dwelling less distinguished and less disturbed.

A Prisoner of the Mahdi.-Many of our readers will remember the trials and sufferings undergone by a brave Italian missionary, Father P. Roseignoli, who was for 12 years a prisoner of the Mahdi in the Soudan. They will be glad to hear that the Holy Father has just appointed him a Canon of the Liberian Basilica

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THE NECESSITY OF A CHRISTIAN REVIVAL.

ENCYCLICAL LETTER OF THE HOLY FATHER.

THE following summary of the Encyclical Letter of his Holiness the Pope on 'Jesus Christ the Redeemer,' is taken from the Liverpool Catholic Times:—Although it is not possible to look to the future without auxiety and the dangers to be feared are neither light nor few (says the Holy Father), the sources of evil, private and public, being so many and so inveterate; still, through God's goodness the end of the century assems to afford goodness, the end of the century seems to afford

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Despite all the attractions of the world and so many obstacles to piety, at a single sign from the Roman Pontiff a great multitude of pilgrims througed ad limina sanctorum Apostolorum. Who could fail to be moved by this spectacle of extraordinary devotion towards the Saviour? This fervor of so many thousands of men joining with one mind and one heart from the rising to the setting of the sun in acclaiming and exalting the name and the glories of Jesus Christ would readily be deemed worthy of the noblest days of Christianity. Would that those flames of the old Catholic piety which had; as it were, been bursting forth developed into a great fire, and that the excellent example set by many pilgrims might move the rest of the world. For, what was so necessary to this age as the restoration to States, far and wide, of the Christian spirit and the ancient virtues? The misfortune was that others—and they were numerous—closed their ears and did not listen to the admonitions which arose from this renewal of the religious spirit. If they had known the gift of God, if they recognised that nothing could be more wretched than to have left the Redeemer of the world and abandoned

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surely they too would arise and, changing their course, seek to escape
certain ruin. To preserve and extend the Kingdom of God on
earth was the office of the Church, and now that special opportunities were offered during the Holy Year the knowledge and the love
of Jesus Christ should be more largely diffused by teaching, persuasion and exhortation directed not so much to those who listened
attentively as to all those unhappy people who, whilst retaining the
Christian name, spend their lives without faith and without the
love of Christ. He Who once restored nature, fallen through sin,
preserves it and will preserve it for ever. 'He gave Himself a redemption for all' (I. Tim., ii., 6): 'in Christ all shall be made
alive' (I. Cor., xv., 22); 'And of His Kingdom there shall no end'
(Luke, I., 33). Therefore, according to the eternal design of God,
the entire salvation of individuals and of society as a whole depends
on Jesus Christ, and they who desert Him, by this fact blindly and
and madly determine upon their own destruction, and at the same
time, as far as they can effect it, cause human society, tossed about
by a great storm, to fall back beneath the burden of evils and
calamities from which the Redeemer in His mercy relieved it. Now,
He desired that the mission confided to Him by the Father should

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