



### MEDAL OF ST. BENEDICT.

In the year 1880, a medal slightly different in form from that generally known and described in preceding numbers of our journal, was circulated to perpetuate the solemn celebration of the 1400th anniversary of the birth of St. Benedict. Pope Pius IX, of blessed memory, deigned to grant to all who wear this "commemoration or Jubilee Medal of St. Benedict," extraordinary indulgences besides those already attached to the Medal of St. Benedict by the Holy See. This he did by a Brief issued Aug. 31st, 1877. On the side of the Jubilee medal, bearing the image of the holy Patriarch, there is above the cup and raven the following inscription: *Crux Sancti Patris Benedicti*. The Cross of Holy Father Benedict. Around the edge on that same side is the aspiration: *Ejus in obitu nostra præsentia muniamur*.—May his presence protect us in the hour of death.

The particular benefits attached to wearing the Jubilee Medal consist chiefly in this, that the plenary indulgences granted to the visitation of the Cathedral, Crypt and Tower of St. Benedict at Monte Cassino, Italy, can be gained on the following festivals: Feast of St. Benedict (March 21); St. Scholastica (Feb. 10); St. Maurus (Jan. 15); St. Placidus (Oct. 5); St. Gertrude (Nov 17); All Saints of