

Morning Star and Catholic Messenger, NEW ORLEANS, SUNDAY, JULY 5, 1874.

THE AMERICAN PILGRIMS IN ROME.

THEIR RECEPTION AT THE VATICAN.

Bishop Dwenger's and Judge Theard's Addresses to the Holy Father.

[Translated from the Journal-de-Florence, June 11.] I come from the Vatican under the charm of the touching reception which our Holy Father, the Pope, has given to the pilgrims who come from the furthest countries of America to express to the Vicar of Jesus Christ the same absolute devotion which was expressed to him, a month ago, by the pilgrims from France; to share, like them, the anguish of their despoiled and captive Father, and to beg for themselves and their absent brethren that apostolic benediction which has not ceased to vivify all the works of our Faith, in ancient and modern times.

The revolutionary writers, priding themselves on their outrages, have not blushed to represent the American pilgrims as tourists uniquely desirous of making, at the return of the beautiful season, an agreeable voyage at the expense of fanatics who have assessed themselves to pay them. And do they not see, these senseless calumniators, that, to procure for these hundred and thirty pilgrims the pleasure of an excursion of several thousand miles, it would be necessary to find, in each State from which these pilgrims have started, hundreds of fanatics, that is, of Catholics, all devotion and all zeal, who would assume the expenses of a long and costly voyage, and that thus the absurd calamity, far from diminishing the importance of the demonstration which has just been accomplished, would increase it!

As for the rest, it is notorious that each of the pilgrims undertook, with his own resources, the voyage to Rome, although some among them, in view of their limited means, must have made real sacrifices to satisfy their filial piety. It is evident from this that the real object of their pilgrimage attains to the height of their sacrifice, and that this end they achieved to-day when Pius IX. appeared to them radiant with vigor and health and that it was given unto them to hear his revivifying words.

"What a happiness it is for us," one of them has just said to me, "to be able to contemplate the prodigy which heaven, departing from the rule which in a certain way is traditional, consecrated by eighteen centuries of history, has worked in sustaining beyond the years of Peter, the august Pontiff who has known no limits in his glorification of the Blessed Mother of God, and who has not placed a boundary to his paternal solicitude for the great Catholic family!"

The pilgrims who were joined on the occasion by the students of the American College and some resident or passing strangers in Rome, were introduced into the vast hall of the Consistory, where the Sovereign Pontiff presented himself at about midday, attended by their Eminences, Cardinals Galtieri, Guidi, Borromeo, Panbiano, Archbishops Hassoun, Howard, Pedriccini, De Merode, Mgrs. Ricci, Pacca, Samminatelli, Nardi, Chataud, rector of the American College, etc.

Immediately Mgr. Dwenger, Bishop of Fort Wayne, approached the throne and read an address in Latin, of which the translation is as follows:

Most Holy Father—You see prostrate at the feet of your Holiness, sons who are from the far West, and who, in these times of your affliction, have feared neither the ocean, nor the earth, nor immense distances, in order to contemplate in your person, St. Peter, truly sovereign Pontiff, sovereign by sufferings and by persecutions, sovereign by patience, hope and confidence in God.

Never has a son so much desired to see the father who is dear to him, as we have desired to see your Holiness; and distance has not diminished our love; it has increased it. Abandoned as you are by the princes of earth and confined in prison, we have not abandoned you, but we have come from so great a distance in order to testify, in the face of the whole world, our affection and respect for you, who are the Infallible Pastor of the whole Church, the centre of unity of our Faith, and the Rock on which is built the Church of God.

We wish that by you, worthy successor of St. Peter, our faith be confirmed and augmented. Behold the long-desired day upon which we can see you and receive your benediction, not only for ourselves, but for all the others who cannot be here, but who from afar off, offer to God their supplications with their tears for you, who are a prisoner!

They declare here with us that, while being friends of a liberty which they nevertheless condemn, with all their hearts, they tyrannical persecution of the Church of God on the part of those who boast of a false liberty and who wish to subject the soul and the conscience not to God but to the civil power.

Most Holy Father, that one of us, in the name of the lay pilgrims, be permitted to express briefly our devotedness. Immediately after the reading of this address, which his Lordship delivered with evidences of the most profound respect, Judge Paul Emile Theard, of New Orleans, President of the pilgrims, read before the Holy Father this magnificent address which was several times interrupted by applause: Behold at your feet American pilgrims from the various Dioceses of the United States of America and of Canada. We come from a free country where, fortunately, true liberty is well understood, because we are not there persecuted. On the contrary, we enjoy full liberty of conscience. We have left our country, our homes, our families and our temporal affairs, to come and kneel at your feet, to offer you our hearts, our fortunes and, if necessary, our lives. It has been our most ardent desire to contemplate face to face that glory which does not emanate from the princes and people of this world, but which is the reflex of God Himself and of that cross which casts a halo around your august head. Our voices cannot give utterance to the sentiments of our hearts, which beat with one common pulsation expressive of our submission, respect and love for your Holiness. The greater your afflictions the more our love increases for you. But what comes to us is that you are undergoing the fate common to all the just, for none but the just are persecuted. We nevertheless pray to God

that your chains may soon be removed, that the eyes of your persecutors may be opened, and, seeing their error, may restore to you the State of Our Lady, to which the Holy See has the most perfect right, and the title to which has been sustained by the sword of Pepin and Charlemagne.

Inasmuch as our country is especially consecrated to the Immaculate Virgin, we have deemed it proper, as a preparation to our visit to your Holiness, to prostrate ourselves first at the grotto of Our Lady, to which the Holy See has the most perfect right, and the title to which has been sustained by the sword of Pepin and Charlemagne.

In that continent which has lately sprung up, as it were, from the ocean, and from which we come, the Catholic religion has increased so wonderfully that it may be considered miraculous. Do not be astonished, Most Holy Father, at our love for you. You are the first and the only Pope whose sacred feet ever touched our soil. When from all parts of the world such demonstrations of love and obedience spring up, we may trust that the hour is not far distant when there will be but one flock and one shepherd.

We, the first American pilgrims, have come to this holy city, not to offer you rich presents, but the sentiments of our love and obedience, which are far more precious. For our holy religion we are ready to make every and all sacrifice. May God long preserve you as the head of our Church. You have seen the years of Peter—may God deign to preserve you, that you may witness the triumph of our Holy Church. And now, Holy Father, prostrate at your feet, we ask your love, and humbly beg you to bless our country, our families and ourselves; and we humbly beg you to accept the small presents, which we lay at your feet.

After the reading of this address the members of the committee of management of the pilgrimage were permitted to kiss the slipper and ring, and offered to the Holy Father the gift provided by the filial love of the pilgrims and other presents, amongst which was a cane with solid gold head, which was filled, from the head to the ferrule, with coined gold.

The respect which the Journal of Florence has for the words of the Holy Father does not permit me to trust to memory for the reproduction of the admirable discourse which he addressed to his visitors. I will hasten to transmit it to you as soon as I shall be authorized to do so.

I now limit myself to recording the text which the Pope principally interested himself in explaining: "Children have come to me from distant countries, bringing gold and confessing the name of the Lord." *Ferventi tibi filii de longe, aurum auferentes et nomen Domini confitentur.*

Father Burke on Gothic Architecture.

In a sermon delivered in the Cathedral at Ennisecorthy, Ireland, Father Burke remarked:

"When the church was established, pagan architecture was symbolical of a false religion; spacious colonnades, large courts and great buildings, with lines running level with the earth, and as little as possible raised above the earth. There was nothing in them looking to Heaven—nothing leading the imagination to God. But when society improved, then the church of God rose to the height of her sacred mission—to cultivate the arts, to create the sciences once more; and, inspired by the highest Christian ideas, that which before was but a beautiful corpse recel its living spirit from the inspiration of the church of God.

Slowly, but surely, under her care came forth from the church—consecrated by her monks—stealing back into the light—the arts which barbaric armies had spread over and destroyed. Forth came science with new rays of beauty in her face; and from her mind came forth the magnificent institution of Gothic architecture. It was no level, horizontal line, spreading out and taking in large portions of soil; the new idea was to take in so much of the earth only as was necessary to raise up a structure which would be a 'thing of beauty and a joy forever'; a structure sufficiently broad to take a strong hold of the earth; and gradually narrowing to a point, as if it were an arrow shot from the church and destined to meet the skies.

"That silent preacher, the cross on the spire, would proclaim to them every day, pointing away into the skies, the great and mighty truth that, as a man aspires to heaven, in the same proportion he must recede from the baseness and sinfulness of his fallen nature. They saw what a hold that spire had taken of the earth—going down to the rock on which it had firmly fixed itself, raised by inches into solid squares, and from the tower springing an edifice which tapered gradually to a point, as it proceeds towards heaven, rising beautifully, diminishing in weight, diminishing in thickness until it reached the point, and then, and then only, touching and upholding the cross. Thus it was with the true Christian, who must aspire heavenward, leaving earth and its cares and sins behind him."

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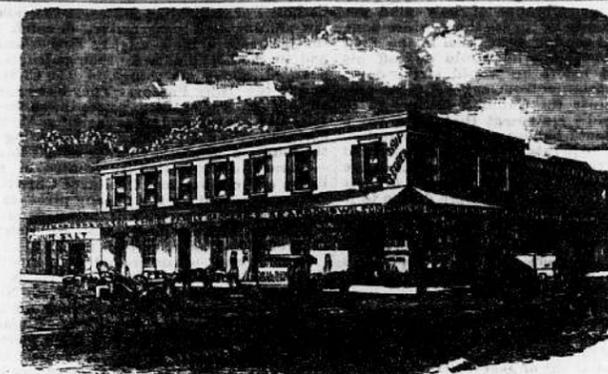
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