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Rochester, N. Y. Saturday, September 7, 1895.

ST BERNARD'S.

RINGING LETTER FROM THE RT. REV. BISHOP OF ROCHESTER

The Institution Haw Been A Grand Success 80 Far But Generous Donations

logical students.

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at St. Bernaed's Seminary, and an and stinted. We must therefore other year of generous aid and an exer keep before the minds of our operation on the part, of our priests diocesans the idea of endowments and and people in sustaining the Simina burses. You will be pleased to ry, cause us to raise our hearts in know that one burse of five thousand thankfulness to Aimighty God from dollars, subject to an annaity during Whom all bressings flow. To Him the lifetime of the founder, has albothe honor and the glors!

In previous letters we have so fully opened our mind with regard to that several bequests have, during our aim in founding a diocesau sami- the past year, been made to the Semnary, the part it has to play in work. inary for its general purposes. Yet ing of a diocese, and the alwantage many have gone to their account unit is to the people whose priests are mindful of the best interests of the to come from it, that little remains shurch, and without securing for to be said. By this time it is to be their souls the prayers and rememhoped that our priests and people anter into the spirit of the work with almost the same enthusiasm that notnates their bishop. We have only to the Seminary Library. It has alrecall to mind what they have done ready grown to over five thousand

number of acudence in St. Andrews ports credit will be given to our benpreparatory seminary during the efactors who by gifts of money and past scholastic year. Of these sev, books have belped to fill its shelves, eral left before its close, either be. We feel it a duty to provide each cause they felt that they were not department of atudy with all the called to the prieathood, or because books needful for use by prefessors it was found that their intellectual and students. A continuance of the capacity was not equal to the de same interest in the growth of our mands of the Seminary course of library by our friends in the diocess. studies. Ill-equipped students en and out of it; will soon make it a denied, may be considered as banktering St. Bernard's are a drawback library to be proud of. sto the class, a veration to the pro- We are deeply indebted to our fessors and mable to follow the leg- priests and people for their unfailing tures to advantage. Still, at the end support of the Seminary. Our sunuof the scholastic year there were at collection is in proportion to our compelled to est their proud words, forty nine aspirants to the sacred Catholic population, as large, as is ministry in St. Andrews.

experimental station, in the cureer pusture have shown commendable of young lade looking forward to the priestuood, it is important that pastors and others knowing of serious lapses or defects on the part of these candidates should inform the bishup. or the superiors of the seminary, so that the un worthy may not be allowed to go forward. It is a duty every one owes to God's church, and a charity to the boy himself, to turn him from a life to which evidently God has not called him.

St. Bernard's closed the year with thirty-six students, of whom three received holy priesthood and one descouship. The number to be or dained next year will enable us to fill un every vacancy and supply all the demands of the diocess We have been obliged to throw ourselves on the kind indulgence of many parishes for years, waiting for the time when it would be possible for us to answer all wants without having to admit strangers into the diocess. A sad experience in neveral cases taught us that it was better to be patient and wait rather than take risks that might be disastrons. We can now, thank God, feel that this time of waiting will apon be

The year of study in St. Bernard's was successful in every respect. There was diligent and conscientions application on the part of almost all: the ecclesisation tope of the house improved; the comportment was more dignified; the health of the students was uniformly good, These are blessings for which one can well be

What was said in last year's letter in relation to endowments and burses will be repeated in another place in this year's report. The thoughts there expressed will bear day you will take up a collection in consideration. They are true and the Church to afford an opportunity hold good for all time. They may to all whe may not have been reach not bear fruit just now; they will ed by the solicitors, to hand in their some day. St. Hernard's Seminary offerings. will never become what it eacht tobe, what the urgest necessities of in the diocese able to give one dellar the day demand of all our schools of for the seminary will withhold so theology and ecclesisatical discipline, small a sum, and the others of meruntil the laity appreciate the needs | means will not confine their generosof a seminary and their own responding to the widow's mite as an adesibilities and duties toward it. The quate offering on their part. newness of religion in the country. and the small number of our people that the continued success of whose means are ample, give some semipary collection depends in a axouse of the inadequate work of the great measure on the interest you past in founding and equipping sem- take in it, the manner is which

and heaviest of all.

proud of the magnificent buildings of St. Bernard's Seminary, but it is God for all His mersics. Are Still Needed-The Annual Collection that until full prevision is made for the endowment of professorships, the future of the seminary will still have The Rt. Rev. Bishop of Rochester hanging over it some degree of unhas issued the following pastoral on certainty. The annual collection, so St. Bernard's seconary and the theo large and so generous, is for the support of the seminarists themselves. Very Rev and Rev Brethren of the To take from this found the salaries The Liberal's of Italy Now Fear Their Olergy and keloved. Children of the of the professors would mean that the care and maintenance of the studuather year of successful work deuts would have to be restricted ready been established?

brances so much to be desired and often so greatly needed.

An effort has been made to enrich in the past to be assured of this fact. volumes, for the most part works of There was an unquitally large value and marit. In the annual re-

zual and windom. These solicitors. year after year, with unflagging devotion to a self-imposed duty, do their best to reach all their friends. seeking help in the good cause where ever they could find it. Many now make their dead friends and relatives partakers in the seminary work by entering their names on the list of contributors. Their souls receive the benefit of the many masses and prayers offered up for all benefactors. living and dead.

It has been a matter of great gratification to know that even the hard times of the past two years failed to dampen the courage of the solicitors. or lessen the generosity of our faithful people. This knowledge has heered us and made us most hope fal for the future It demonstrates the exrectness and the high motives of religion which fill the hearts of our devoted priests and generous peoples Under their care St. Bernard's will always flourish.

We repeat the monal directions for the taking up this collection. No one is free to depart from these directions without express permission obtained from the bishop.

We need the annual reports for 1894 in punkages, directed to the solicitors, hoping that they will kindly distribute the expise to the subscribers, whose names they will find written on them.

You will Rev. Dear Bir. read this letter to your congregation, on the first Sunday after its reception; and with an little delay are possible, distribute the substription books among the most sealous and the best dis posed of year fleck.

This letter will be again read or the first Sunday of October, on which

It is to be hoped that no Casholic

We need not say. Rev. Doar Sir.

laid at the door of church authorities gregation, and on your compliance who, busy with a multitude of heavy with the regulations laid down in tasks, left for the lint the greatest this letter. Seek out among your flock scaleus solicitors, and distri-All our good people are justiy bute freely your subscription books. With a boart full of gratitude to

Very sincerely in Christ.

† Bernard, Bishop of Rechester. St. Bernard's Day, 1895.

THE CATHOLIC PARTY

Influence.

Serious Disturbance Marks the Close of Parliament.

ROME, James y.

Despite the idle vaporings of the Liberals, always prone to exaggeration and always prompt to self-glori-You will also note with pleasure fication, the Catholic Party has triumphed up to the last in the Administrative elections which have just ended. The Liberals have suffered defeat after defeat, and their rout is all the more inglorious because they have always boasted that Clericalism, was a quantite negligeable. Now they can count their costs, which are so great that they may be considered as equivalent to moral insolvency. A party which has waunted that it was not only master in the field, but numerically over p wering, and which takes its stand not on the changing ground of a political party, but on that which belongs to the compact and invulnerable majority of the nation, considered as a nation, when overthrown by a despised and oppressed party, the very existence of which it rupt. For years the Liberals have per cent of the population, that they were "the nation:" now they are "L'etat c'est nous," at the bidding given by any diocese in the United of the Catholics, the gens lucifuga As this seminary is the trial, or States. In the choice of solicitors of the Italian political world. It is needless to enumerate all the communes, great and small, which have expelled Liberals from their council chambers and replaced them by Catholics and Moderates. A few instances will suffice. At Fermo, Bassano-Veneto, and Thiene the Catholic list passed with complete success and the Liberals would be unrepresented except for the law which regulates that the minority, even though defeated, shall have a representation. At Venice, twentyfour Catholics have been elected, six Moderates, and eighteen Liberals; at Treviso, twenty-four Catholics and Moderates, and sixteen Liberals; at Savona, thirty-two Catholics and eight Liberals; at Anoona twentytwo Catholies and eighteen opposeute; and so on ad infinition "At

Venice," says the Liberal Adriation. "the Clericals tave won. They lave a crushing majority—a host of most black candidates who uphold without refloence and human respect of the banner of the Pope-King. The Pope-King having coased to be a a quantite negligeable has become a fated and fear inspiring power; and the worst of it all is that when the triumphs are not bis, they belong to the Socialists. At Imola, both in the municipal and provincial elections, the Socialists and it all their own way because the Catholics atstained from voting. The Anti-Clericals are therefore, face with a terrible fact. Clericalism which they hypogritically profess to believe dead and buried, has been but sleeping. It is revived, powerful, triumphant; it is fearless, uncompromising, demonstrative. It cannot be crushed, for all the efforts made to suppress it have falled; it has the double strongth which is inherent in a reaction; it eries aloud the tre streets, and with a swort assertied of its power, it annuls the status quo. Where it fails to enter into the arena the enemies of State and society are masters. This is the dilemms which confronts secularised Italy, writhing under a financial incubus, struggling with terrible difficulties, and affrighted by the un-SOLVED BY DESIGNATION OF THE STATE OF THE ST

ST. JOSEPH'S CHUNCS

Italian Parliament. It was a fitting epilogue and in periors keeping with cod a colu, and after a d those which had preceded it. The a few matters of least in Government carried its messures. Fallament closed well 1 The Extreme Left made desperate That the deligate where resistance. There were incidents should have caused a Pyrei galore—auspensions of the sitting is not very surprising. ories, screams, applicans, blocking Soriumete that it did not 2 and, by way of variety, a termultuous; blows and wounds, such demand that one of the members freity deflet should be expelled. The Secolo of June 24. At the mores. Milan had printed an article by example of the Milan Deputy Napoleone Colajanni, in public in de which there were some hareh and and in trenchant passages shout the position was Deputies of Liguria and South Rady, buttone that ment, and Deputies had surrender ed unconditionally to Urispi, and But that they formed the majority of the Servile Parliament. The article cansed an immense southtime, so that on Wednesday a meeting of the Count Sicilian and Neapolitan Deputies took place, and is was decided to bring the matter forward in the

This was done at the afternoon seesion and nearly precipitated a riot in the Senate and the speaker was compelled to suspend the sitting. When the sitting was resumed.

the following took pince:

The Speaker — I suspended the sitting because my voice was drowned in ories. Both as Deputy and in the following took place: Speaker I understand the feeling of those who protested. (Appliants.) cannot admit that the pursue with wrote the words which the Amer has consured, intended to give offence. (Comments.) I best 1 Chamber not to lose sight of dignity, and, accepting my or tion of the case, to prope work. (Partial apple) Then the stone threat

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