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OF THE

VERY REVEREND SUPERIOR-GENERAL

TO THE

Congregation of the Holy Cross.

Notre Dame, October 19, 1875.

REV. FATHERS AND BELOVED CHILDREN IN JESUS CHRIST:

From the following letters, just received, you will learn that the Congregation has again suffered a serious loss in the death of a valuable member. I knew him well, and esteemed him very highly. Fortunately, most of our departing associates bring to us by their edifying death the consolation always attached to a sweet conviction that they will soon be our powerful advocates in heaven. May our last moments be similar to theirs.

E. SORIN, C. S. C.,

Superior General.

NOTRE DAME, CÔTE-DES-NEIGES, October 8, 1875.

TO THE VERY REV. SUPERIOR GENERAL, C. S. C.:

VERY REV. FATHER: I inclose you the letter of Rev. Father Gastineau announcing the demise of our good BROTHER GREGORY, whose death leaves a void in our Province. This good Brother was always a model of religious devotedness, and his great knowledge rendered him doubly precious. God gave him to us, and He has now judged it well to take him from us. May His holy will be done!

With devotedness and respect, your servant in our Lord,

C. LEFEBVRE, C. S. C., Provincial.

REV. DEAR FATHER: Our dear Brother Gregory, for five years a professed member of the Congregation, died at nine o'clock on Wednesday, the 6th inst., without any agony. It was one of the sweetest and calmest deaths that I have ever seen. He had received the last Sacraments on the previous day. The dear deceased saw death approaching without experiencing the least trouble; he was perfectly resigned.

I am, with the profoundest regard, yours devotedly in Christ,

J. GASTINEAU, C. S. C.

*Requiescat in pace.*