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POSTSCRIPT TO CIRCULAR LETTER No. 85
OF THE
VERY REVEREND SUPERIOR-GENERAL
TO THE
Congregation of the Holy Cross.

NOTRE DAME, November 9th, 1877.

REV. FATHERS AND BELOVED CHILDREN IN JESUS CHRIST:

It appears I made an omission in my last Circular, and I hasten to repair it, although I certainly thought it should be clearly understood from the tenor of my remarks. I give textually the words of my informant, and fully endorse the same:

"Your Circular has arrived, and I hope will certainly do some good. I am surprised that in your list of economy you did not include *tobacco*. You must be aware that hundreds and hundreds of dollars are expended each year in all our Houses on that vile weed. Here we pay at least \$40 a year for it; and I really believe that all, without exception, would be better without it. A Circular like the present was needed long ere this."

I must take the subject into consideration and make sure to put a stop to such an unjustifiable expenditure. I forbid absolutely all sorts of cigars, cheap or costly. Those whose health requires smoking ordinary tobacco, must apply immediately to their Provincial, whose permission they will consider absolutely indispensable before they continue. In no case can they be permitted to do it more than three times a day, immediately after meals.

I am sincerely thankful for information of the above abuse, as I will be, also, for anything else of the kind.

E. SORIN, C. S. C.,
Superior General.