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Xmas Present for Father Brooks.

Father Brooks hasn't had a lot of publicity on the Bulletin lately, but the fund has been sliding right along. At the last report the sum was about \$210. Yesterday a sophomore stuck a V into an envelope with the glad news that his favor had been granted a couple of days before John Doe left fifty dollars around ticketed for Father Brooks; last Sunday the collection amounted to \$120. And with the other offerings that have been dropping in steadily the fund is now at \$545 mark, with \$255 to go before Xmas.

Is it worth your while to give Father Brooks a house for a Christmas present? Have you got the jungle fever? (He has had it several times.) You will recall that the original suggestion was that 35 cents a man would build the house. A lot of men have not kicked in; others have done much more than their share. When you are getting ready for Christmas remember that it is more blessed to give than to receive.

Van Gets His Percentage.

Mr. Confrey had a letter from Van yesterday. It reports that the flu has cleared up and that it is undergoing new treatment preparatory to some strenuous measures to relieve the paralysis. Father Brooks must have his converts working for Van already. Van expresses his deep sympathy for Jimmie Powers, and concludes by wishing that he could thank the Notre Dame men for all they have done for him. Every dollar given to Father Brooks means more effective missionary work, and consequently more prayers for Van's recovery. Are you interested?

Extra Mass Tomorrow.

There will be an extra low Mass for the guests of the University tomorrow, at 11:15 or thereabouts -- which means as soon after 11:15 as the church is cleared after the 10:15 Mass. Let us hope that we will not be treated to the disgraceful spectacle of students coming to this Mass at the Communion or the Last Gospel. That is what happened last Sunday.

You Can't Hatch Eagles from Buzzard Eggs.

Nov. 5 - Dear Father: The logic of certain letters which have appeared recently on the Bulletin is certainly non-existent. Some of my classmates used this argument: "If the majority of your Notre Dame students are not of good Christian character, then your praises are but mockery, and Notre Dame has failed. We all know that Notre Dame has not failed."

For the general and individual instruction of these gentlemen let it be known that laws and rules are made for the lawless who are in the minority. We all know that there are some among us who are not what they should be. Can anyone teach a pig to behave in the drawing room?

Most people agree that environment in early life has a large influence on the ultimate character. A man is usually at Notre Dame four years. These four years are important, I will grant, but they are powerless against the foregoing years if these were spent in the environment of sloth and indifference: four years matched against fourteen poorly-spent years.

If the son is a gentleman he is the offspring of a lady and a gentleman; if not, draw your own conclusions.

--- Earnestly yours, A Sophomore.

Prayers.

George Demage requests prayers for his sick sister, three other students for sick relatives, and five for other intentions.