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MISCELLANEOUS

533. Bishop Odin's Diary (typed copy), 2 May 1840 to 9 February 1853. 44 pp. English.
534. Amat, Philadelphia, to Étienne, Paris, 20 May 1852. 1 p. English.
Amat nominated bishop of Monterey by Fathers of the Council of Baltimore. Asks Étienne to use his influence in Rome to keep the nomination from being confirmed, reasons.
535. List of letters from Amat (assistant provincial) to the superior general to Sturchi, 3 November 1839-20 May 1852. 3 pp. English.
536. Abstract from a communication from the archbishop of San Francisco to the Prefect of the Sacred Congregation Propaganda Fide regarding titles to properties used by Religious. Council of Baltimore decreed that the titles to such properties be held by the bishop. Asks if this applies to the Daughters of Charity and the Congregation of the Mission.
537. Notes left by Felix De Andreis relative to the mission in Louisiana. This notebook is in the handwriting of Gabriel Perboyre, n.d. 23 pp. French.
Contains the account of the origins of the American mission, the journey narrative, notes on varieties of Protestantism, arrival in Saint Louis. This is a French translation, and slight adaptation, of De Andreis's "Notizie importanti."
538. Memoir on The Province of America, n.p., n.d. 3 pp. French. (No author, but probably an English speaker.)
Contains regulations and notes about Community life and its obligations, both spiritual and temporal. Probably comes from an official visitation from outside the province.
539. (?) to Étienne (?), Genoa, February 8, 1854. 2 pp. Italian.
Concerns payment of debts.
540. Account of the celebration of the feast of Corpus Christi at the Barrens, n.d. 4 pp. French.
541. List of properties held by the Congregation at Cape Girardeau, the Barrens, Saint Louis, and Texas. (Handwriting of Timon.)
542. Catalog of Vincentian missionaries on the United States, made in 1828, containing biographical information on Rosati, Cellini, Borgna, Potini, Dahmen, Tichitoli, Rosati, Vergani, Paquin, Odin, Timon, Permoli, Boullier, De Andreis. 3 pp. French.
543. The story of Bishop Leon De Neckere, bishop of New Orleans in Louisiana, n.d. plus letters written by De Neckere to Étienne (procurator general), Sainte Genevieve, 11 September 1829. 8 pp. French.
544. Extracts from Circular Letters about the U.S. mission, 1830 - 1844. 4 pp. French.
545. Document from Propaganda in Rome, 16 August 1853. 2 pp. Italian.
Appointing Thaddeus Amat bishop of Monterey.

- 545b. Bishop Alemany of Monterey, to Étienne, 12 March 1853. 3 pp. French.
Asks for sisters from Paris to care for the sick French-speaking people in San Francisco.
546. Financial report on various houses in the province, 1840, viz. Philadelphia, La Salle, Saint Louis, Sainte Genevieve, the Barrens, Cape Girardeau, Natchitoches, Donaldsonville, Assumption. 4 pp. French. (Handwriting of Timon.) Includes the personnel of each house.
547. Amat, Raho, Dahmen, Burlando, Saint Louis, to Étienne, Paris, 20 November 1845. 3 pp. French.
Budget for coming year for repairs at Cape Girardeau, the Barrens, to build another house at Saint Louis and to pay debts for repairing the church.
- 548 a. Congregation of Propaganda Fide, Rome, to Nozo, Paris, 6 April 1839. 1 p. Latin.
Suggests that a member of the Congregation be appointed Apostolic Administrator of Texas and proposes Timon for the office.
- 548 b. Congregation of Propaganda Fide to Nozo, October 1839. 2 pp. Latin.
Requests missionaries for Texas and one qualified to become Prefect Apostolic.
549. A résumé of the constitutions of the Association of the Holy Cross established at La Salle, 1839. 9 pp. French.
Document (copy) placed in the cornerstone of the Church of Saint Vincent at Cape Girardeau, 1838.
550. Cornerstone laying at Cape Girardeau, baptisms and confirmations at the Barrens, dedication of the church at Sainte Genevieve, (newspaper article.)
551. Article from the Catholic Herald about cornerstone laying of the church at Cape Girardeau, 1838. 4 pp. French.
Copy in Étienne's handwriting.

ROSATI CORRESPONDENCE

552. Fiorello, Paris, to Rosati, 9 November 1837. 2 pp. Italian.
Expresses regret that Bishop Rosati had departed before his (Fiorello's) arrival in Paris.
553. Nozo, Paris, to Rosati, Saint Louis, 15 May 1836. 6 pp. French.
Speaks of the difficulties in providing confreres and money to maintain the college and seminary at the Barrens and at Saint Louis. States conditions under which he would accept a mission at Old Mines.
554. Nozo, Paris, to Rosati, 3 November 1837. 2 pp. French.
Fears that Timon will be named bishop. Asks Rosati to use his influence to prevent such an appointment.
555. Account of a sudden cure for Mlle. Olympie De Monti, on 10 December 1835 through the prayers of Bishop Flaget of Bardstown. 6 pp. French.
556. Nozo, Paris, to Rosati, Saint Louis, 1835. 4 pp. French.

Announces the resolutions of the general council about the establishment of the province in the United States and other decisions.

557. Cardinal Pedicini (Prefect of Propaganda Fide), Rome, to Étienne (procurator general), Paris, 30 April 1834. 2 pp. Latin.

Asks that missionaries be sent to the Territory of Oregon to evangelize the Indians.

558. Étienne, Paris, to Rosati (?), 26 December 1833. 2 pp. French.

Sends copy of Circular Letter for year 1834. Odin visiting the Mother House. Community prospering in France. Superior General well in spite of advancing age.

559. Deeds to properties bought by the Congregation in Cape Girardeau, 1833-1840. 20 pp. English.

560. Étienne, Paris, to Rosati (?), 28 November 1830. 2 pp. French.

Sends copy of 1831 Circular Letter. Conditions in France improving. New government has not suppressed the Community. Daughters unaffected by state of affairs.

561. Baccari, Rome, to Rosati, Rome, 18 July 1830. 4 pp. Italian.

With the death of Pope Leo XII, De Neckere could not refuse his see. Pius VIII approved Baccari's own election, at age 84. De Neckere left some time ago; Tornatore to leave shortly from Paris. Tornatore is hard to understand since he has a speech defect. Baccari hopes to send a German postulant brother [Johannes Tuneck]. Remarks on Brother Potini, and on Boccardo. He has money to send, left as a legacy. De Neckere wants to translate a work by Baccari into Latin. The first edition sold well.

562. Baccari, Rome, to Rosati, the Barrens, 3 April 1830. 2 pp. Italian.

Thanks Rosati for the consoling news he sent concerning Canada. No one is available for this mission from Propaganda Fide. Baccari is looking for candidates for America from Paris and the other Italian provinces. Tornatore is on the way. Baccari had gone to Paris, a difficult trip for someone of his age. He is doing fund raising for America. Has commissioned a portrait of Saint Vincent from a Roman painter. No need to pay for the painting, destined for the church or wherever Rosati wishes.

563. Baccari, Rome, to Rosati, the Barrens, 8 October 1830. 2 pp. Italian.

De Neckere is going to New Orleans after all. Baccari responds to letters from Rosati. The painting is underway. He is happy the Barrens is doing well. He has not yet been able to send the brother tailor, but he will leave soon. He is a German, actually from Bohemia. Without Tornatore the province will have some problems in fulfilling its responsibilities. Sends news about Colucci and Roberti.

564. Deeds to property bought by Paquin in Cape Girardeau, 1830-1839, 28 November 1839. 21 pp. English.

564b. Étienne, Paris, to Rosati, the Barrens, 24 June 1829. 4 pp. French.

Purchases and sends articles requested by Rosati. De Neckere elected Bishop of New Orleans.

565. Étienne, Paris, to Rosati, the Barrens, 24 June 1829. 4 pp. French.

Speaks of financial assistance from Propaganda Fide for Rosati and De Neckere.

566. Baccari, Rome, to Rosati, the Barrens, 20 May 1829. 2 pp. Italian.
Too difficult to decipher.
567. Étienne, Paris, to Rosati, the Barrens, 1829. 3 pp. French.
A young subdeacon, member of a suppressed community (Liguorian,) wishes to offer his services for the American mission. Examined by Étienne who thinks he would be of service to Rosati. Has no inclination toward the Community. Pleads the cause of Rosati for funds for Saint Louis.
568. Étienne, Paris, to Rosati, the Barrens, 13 April 1828. 2 pp. French.
Four seminarists in Paris prepared to depart for the Missouri mission. Account of receipts and expenditures for the four seminarists going to America.
569. Bishop Dubourg (Louisiana) to Verbert, Paris, 16 May 1817. 2 pp. French.
Expresses thanks for relic of Saint Vincent sent to him.
570. Étienne, Paris, to Rosati, the Barrens, 5 January 1828. 2 pp. French.
Three seminarists in Internal Seminary in Paris prepared to depart for the Missouri mission in March or April. Grand Almoner of France promises 14 or 15,000 francs for the Missouri mission. Community prospering in France, also Daughters numbering about 4000 with 320 establishments in France.
571. Extracts from a letter written by DeAndreis to Dubourg's sister in Bordeaux about the American missions. 2 pp. French. 4 April 1820.
572. Salhorgne, Seminary of Amiens, to Rosati, the Barrens, 30 May 1831. 3 pp. French.
Asks for details on the establishment in America and on the confreres working there. Since the American mission was established by the Italian Province, Rosati should seek increase of personnel there. Sends Letters patent for Tornatore but asks Rosati to continue his vigilance over the Community in the U.S. Reasons for change of address to Amiens.
573. Nozo, Paris, to Rosati, the Barrens, n.d. 4 pp. French.
Agrees with Rosati that a seminary and Community house should be established in Saint Louis, but fears that if Timon is made a bishop the whole Community would collapse.
574. Étienne, Paris, to Rosati, the Barrens, 13 June 1834. 2 pp. French.
Speaks of political unrest in France and the state of uncertainty about what the future might bring. Requests payment of debts owed to the Maison Mere.
575. Salhorgne, Paris, to Rosati, the Barrens, 4 October 1830. 4 pp. French.
Thanks Rosati for the detailed information which he provided on the establishments and personnel of the Congregation in the United States. Sends Letters Patent appointing Tornatore superior. Sends a circular letter for the confreres in the U.S. Sends a few rules to be observed by all confreres. Fears for the existence of the Community in France.
576. Étienne, Paris, to Rosati, the Barrens, 20 July 1831. 2 pp. French.
Young priest going to the U.S. to work in Lower Louisiana will visit Rosati for advice.
577. Étienne, Paris, to Rosati, the Barrens, 25 April 1831. 2 pp. French.

All houses in France enjoying full activity under the new Government. doubts about the ability of the Government to maintain peace and order. Needs in France make it impossible to supply Bishop Flaget's seminary with confreres. Asks Rosati to reimburse sum of money used for Tornatore's voyage.

578. Salhorgne, Amiens, to Rosati, the Barrens, 22 October 1831. 2 pp. French.

Prepared to open internal seminary which was closed for four months. Spain and Portugal unable to send confreres to the U.S. Suggests that Rosati try Italy.

579. Lego, Paris, to Rosati, the Barrens, 4 January 1831. 2 pp. French.

Two brothers, a tailor and a cook, sent to the U.S. The superior general will write giving news of the Community.

580. Étienne, Paris, to Rosati, the Barrens, 16 December 1828. 4 pp. French.

Death of De Wailly, superior general (23 October 1828.) General Assembly to be held on 5 May. Speaks of difficulty with the Society of Propagation of the Faith in Lyons. No funds coming from Grand Almoner of France this year. De Neckere in Rome seeking funds for the U.S. missions from Propaganda Fide.

581. De Wailly, Paris, to Rosati, the Barrens, 13 April 1828. 4 pp. French.

Unhappy conditions in France. Bishop De Neckere gravely sick at Amiens. Has received viaticum. He was called to Rome to discuss some important business. Four students leave for Missouri mission.

582. Catalogue of coadjutor brothers at the Barrens, n.d. 2 pp. French.

Blanka, Oliva, Vanucci, Donati, Harrington, Bosoni, Pifferi, Sargiano, Palelli: biographical information and current employments.

583. Report (draft) on the mission work at Sainte Genevieve (?). Properties owned by the Congregation near Sainte Genevieve, n.d., n.d. 4 pp. French.

Handwriting of Timon. Lists the slaves by name and age.

584. Director of Customs, Paris, to Étienne, 31 July 1829. 2 pp. French.

Report on case of church ornaments shipped to America.

585. Director of Customs to Étienne, Paris, 4 July 1829. 2 pp. French.

Requests information on case of church ornaments to be shipped to America.

SPECIAL COMMISSARIES (also 613-615)

586. Translation of a report made by McNamara, Special Commissary, on the visitation of the Central House in Germantown and of the Central House of the Daughters of Charity at Emmitsburg. College des Irlandais, Paris, 20 September 1884. 23 pp. French.

587. English original of the preceding report.

588. Report on the missions prepared by T.M. O'Donoghue for McNamara during the time of the visitation at Germantown. 1 p. English.

589. Report on the temporal affairs of the province prepared by Sylvester Haire (provincial procurator) for McNamara. 6 pp. English.
590. Part of McNamara's report to the superior general (cf. 587.)
591. List of brothers, novices, and students. Part of McNamara's report. (cf. 587.)
592. List of personnel at Germantown and their duties. Part of McNamara's report, prepared by Smith. (cf. 587.)
593. Report on visitation of the Eastern Province by O'Callaghan in 1894. English original and French translation - 16 pp.
594. Report on visitation of Eastern Province by Demion to Fiat, August and September, 1903. 35 pp. French.
595. Report on visitation of the Central House in Germantown by Demion as Commissary, 5-15 October 1903. 33 pp. French.
596. Report on visitation of houses of the Eastern Province by McHale to Fiat, 7 November 1907. 6 pp. French.
597. Report on visitation of the houses of the Eastern Province by McHale to Fiat, 15 December 1911. 6 pp. French.
598. Report on visitation of the Central House in Germantown by O'Boyle, 4-10 June 1915. 7 pp. French.
599. Report on visitation of houses of the Western Province by O'Callaghan, 1894. 15 pp. French.
600. Skipped.
601. Notes on visitation of the houses of the Western Province by D.W. Kenrick (delegated by Smith.) Original English and French translation to Fiat, 9 May 1902. 8 pp. French and English.
602. Report on visitation of houses of the Western Province by Demion to Fiat, 1903. 33 pp. French.
- 602b. Barnwell to Demion, n.d. 2 pp. Latin.
About scholastics teaching in the Apostolic School. Ratio studiorum in the Apostolic School and seminary at Perryville. Use of tobacco.
603. Demion, New Orleans, to Fiat, Paris, 28 September 1903. 4 pp. French.
Visits Daughters in San Francisco. Will forward a complete report on all the houses shortly. [= 602.] Will visit Emmitsburg after New Orleans. Will have all his notes and documents delivered.

THOMAS FINNEY

604. Finney, the Barrens, to Fiat, Paris, 5 January 1914. 13 pp. French.
Report on his visitation of the house in Chicago. Remarks on each of the confreres in the house.
605. Finney, the Barrens, to Fiat, Paris, 30 June 1913. 3 pp. English.
Report on the visitation of the house at La Salle.
606. Barnwell, Los Angeles, to Fiat, Paris, 24 October 1905. 6 pp. French.
Report on his visitation of the house in Los Angeles.
607. Finney to Fiat, Paris, n.p., May, 1910, 4 pp. English.
Report on his visitation of Saint Joseph's house in New Orleans.
608. Finney to Fiat, Paris, n.p., June 1910. 4 pp. English.
Report on his visitation of Saint Stephen's house in New Orleans.
609. Finney, the Barrens, to Fiat, Paris, 6 July 1913. 5 pp. Latin and English.
Encloses list of questions which he distributes to all confreres on the occasion of visitation.
610. Joseph Walshe, Dublin, to Fiat, Paris, August, 1911. 16 pp. French.
Report on visitation of the Western Province, 1911.
611. Patrick O'Boyle to superior general, 21 June 1915. 6 pp. French.
Report on visitation of the Central House of the Western Province, 16-20 May 1915.
612. Finney, the Barrens, to Fiat, Paris, 24 October 1913. 11 pp. English.
Report on his visitation of the houses in Kansas City, Cape Girardeau, Saint Stephen's in New Orleans, Saint Joseph's in New Orleans, and Denver. (Includes French translation.)
613. Villette, Saint Louis, to Fiat, Paris, August - October 1909. 18 pp. French.
Report on visitation by Villette and Planson of both Provinces in the USA, 1919.
614. Continuation of visitation by Villette and Planson. 35 pp. French.
615. Continuation of visitation by Villette and Planson. 14 pp. French.
616. Finney, Chicago, to Fiat, Paris, 8 May 1910. 9 pp. English.
Report on visitation of the house in Chicago, 1910.
617. Finney to Fiat, 2 July 1913. 8 pp. English.
Report on the visitation of the house in Chicago, 1913.
618. J.J. Martin to Fiat, Paris, April, 1911. 19 pp. French.
Information on conditions in the Western Province.

NOTE: The following three items were overlooked in microfilming. Originals found in General Curia archives, VIII-2-M.

619. *Sisters Helene du Tour (Religious of the Sacred Heart) and Boullier, procurator of Assumption Seminary. 11 December 1838. 3 pp. French.*

Property on the right bank of the Bayou La Fourche, 3 x 40 arpents; borders Church of the Assumption land. Formerly given by Narcisse Landry to Bishop Dubourg (14 February 1824). Witnesses: Timon, Armengol.

620. *Indenture between John Baptist Tornatore and John Baptist Nozo, 1 March 1838. 4 pp. English.*

Nozo loaned 25,000 francs to Timon; the loan was secured by property in Cape Girardeau (deeded by Ralph Daugherty). The loan is to be paid by 1 June 1840. Contains legal notarizations.

621. *Latin text of the decree for restoration of Churches and lands for Catholics in the Republic of Texas. Austin, 18 January 1841. 1 p. Latin.*

The translation, in Timon's hand, provides for the churches in San Antonio, Goliad, Victoria, Nacogdoches and elsewhere; they will be under the "chief shepherd of the Roman Catholic Church in Texas and his successors," provided that they be for the use of Catholics. (This is probably not the original, but a translation done for the General Curia.) Signatures of David Kaufman, Anson Jones, David Burnet.

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