

THE DECREE OF PRAISE

In an audience granted by His Holiness to the undersigned Most Reverend Secretary of the Sacred Congregation of Bishops and Regulars on the 14th day of September, 1860, His Holiness, in view of the commendatory letters of the Most Eminent Vicar of Rome, of the Most Eminent Archbishop of Paris, and of the Bishops of Tivoli, and Hamilton, has praised and commended the scope outlined, that is, the purpose of the above-mentioned pious society; ratifying the simple vows pronounced by its members, and permitting the same simple vows of poverty, chastity and obedience to be pronounced in the future on the completion of a year of novitiate; safeguarding, in all things, the jurisdiction of local Ordinaries and the provision of patrimony for sacred ordination. He has, furthermore, commanded that this Sacred Congregation be informed every two years of the state of this same pious society.

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A. Arch. Philip., Secretary