A Cardinal Thanks His Mother.

The N.C.W.C. News Service reports that German and Polish papers have given great prominence to the following letter, which was addressed by the Most Reverend August Hlond, Archbishop of Posen-Gnesen, immediately after he had been named a Cardinal:

"Dear Mother,

The Holy Father in his grace has made me a Cardinal of the Holy Roman Catholic Church. With deep gratitude I turn my heart and mind towards you, my dear mother, and write my first letter to you.

"When I consider the ways God's providence leads me, your image is always standing before my soul. Better than many learned pedagogues, you let down into the souls of your children a strong foundation of life based upon faith and the divine law. And, as you knew yourself how to pray sincerely and fervently; you taught us children the hearty prayer from which I take courage and confidence in God to this day.

"You opened to us the way to happiness, as you did no educate us to indolence but to strength of character and to work, and you taught us the love of duty and the desire to meet our duties sincerely and gladly.

"Therefore, nowhere but in the nobility and the sublimity of your simple and devoted heart is to be found the beginning of that way on which God's grace guided me and led me to what which generally is called dignity, but which, after the conception of our family, means a higher fulfillment in work and devotion.

"On this day, on which the grace of the Holy Father is shining with its splendor over our Upper Silesian hut, I thank heartily that you were a good mother to me and ask for your pious prayer that I may by my work serve the honor of God, the cause of His Holy Church and the happiness of my father.

"These same sentiments, in spirit, I lay upon the tomb of my beloved father, whose pious and strong character confirmed me and made me willing to follow him.

"With gratitude and piety, I kiss your hands, hard from work, and ask your motherly benediction on the way that duty will lead me,

"Your son August, Cardinal."

Tomorrow's Schedule.

8:00 - Mass in the church. 8:30 - Breakfast.
5:30 - 12:00 - Confessions and Holy Communion in the Sorin chapel (except 8:00-8:30).
6:00 - 7:00 - Confessions and Holy Communion in the basement chapel.