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The Poor Fund.

Yesterday's collection in the church amounted to $220; in the Sorin chapel, $3.41; in the Badin chapel, $12.00. Previous contributions were: New Jersey Club, $25; Grand Rapids Club, $25; individual donors, $31.00. Total to date, $324.41.

The Collection Will Continue This Week.

To give an opportunity to those who were broke on Sunday, the collection for the poor will continue this week. One box in the pamphlet rack in the corridor of Sorin Hall has been set aside to receive your donations; it is marked, "For the Poor." If you prefer, you may leave your donations with Fr. Farley or Fr. Doremus or the Prefect of Religion.

"Harden Not Your Heart."

Governor Emmerson's commission for the relief of the unemployed was forced last Wednesday to issue the following statement: "Only forty-three of the well-to-do citizens of Chicago have responded to the mercy appeal. The others must feel a sense of shame when they face the 125,000 ordinary citizens who have contributed."

God's Blessing On Givers.

"Then shall the King say to them that shall be on His right hand: Come, ye blessed of My Father, possess the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry, and you gave Me to eat; I was thirsty, and you gave Me to drink; I was a stranger, and you took Me in; naked, and you covered Me; sick, and you visited Me; I was in prison, and you came to Me.

"Then shall the just answer Him, saying: Lord, when did we see Thee hungry, and fed Thee; thirsty, and gave Thee to drink? And when did we see Thee a stranger, and took Thee in? or naked, and covered Thee? Or when did we see Thee sick or in prison, and come to Thee?

"And the King, answering, shall say to them: Amon I say to you, as long as you did it to one of these my least brethren, you did it to Me." Matthew, 25:34-40.

Offer Holy Communion For The Poor.

In your Holy Communion tomorrow remember the poor, according to two intentions:

1. That God may move the hearts of the rich to come to their aid (and thus save their own souls);
2. That the poor may accept their lot in the proper spirit and merit the blessing of Christ: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

Saturday's dispatches carry a sad story of a man who entered the office of a mine to ask for work. When he was told that there was nothing to offer, he walked to the door of the shaft and stopped in. He dropped 1600 feet.

For The Next One To Die.

On October 21 last, Joe Ford offered Holy Communion for the next one to die; 1408 other students were at the Communion rail with him that morning. None of them know who the next one would be. Next Thursday morning a Mass will be said for the next one of us to die. Bear that intention in mind in your Holy Communion that morning.