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BROTHER PATRICK JOSEPH, F. I. C.,
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The La Mennais Brothers have been doing God's work in this country for many years. Yet, little is known about them. Save for an occasional record of their doings here and there, no serious attempts have been made to spotlight their activities periodically.

THE CLARION will, from now on, focus the attention of a selected public on the Brothers of Christian Instruction and their work. In its modest way, it will call attention to the good deeds of the Brothers; it will announce the glad tidings of the arrival of newcomers who will labor in the Lord's vineyard; it will sound, in clear and cheerful tones, the glorious news of the spreading of God's kingdom in the areas where the Brothers operate.

The Founder of the Brothers—Venerable John Mary Robert de La Mennais—will no doubt bless this new venture of his sons in the United States. We beg him to inspire some who will read it to become his disciples too, and to dedicate their lives to help extend the Kingdom of the Master!

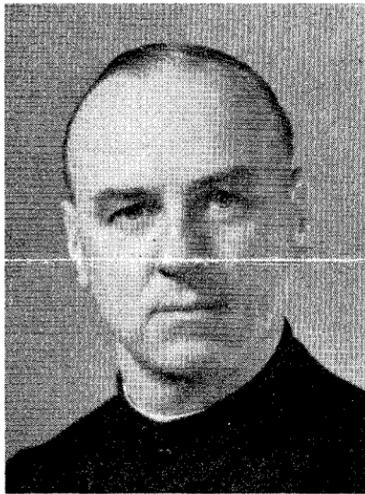
The F. I. C. family is proud to present to relatives and friends the story of its efforts in promoting God's glory and the salvation of souls.

Brother Patrick Joseph, F. I. C.
Provincial

Brothers Celebrate Silver Jubilees

In an intimate gathering last June 6, the community of Brothers at Mount Assumption Institute, Plattsburg, N. Y. celebrated the silver jubilee of religious life of Brother Dacian, principal. A high Mass of thanksgiving was sung by the Reverend Father Tardiff, O.M.I., pastor of St. Peter's parish; in the evening, congratulations were offered at a convivial dinner.

Born January 5, 1916, in Fall River, Mass. of parents staunchly loyal to the Church and devoted to its interests, Brother Dacian was educated at Notre Dame School and in our just then organized Monsignor Prevost High School. He entered our training school at Laprairie in 1928. He definitively joined the ranks of the Brothers of Christian Instruction on his first profession day, August 15, 1932.



BROTHER DACIAN JOSEPH, F. I. C.

Brother Dacian taught successively in Montreal and Buckingham, Quebec, Alfred and Biddeford, Me., before being appointed principal of St. Louis High School in 1946. Three years later he traveled to Europe to follow the exercises of the second novitiate. Upon his return, he became principal of Msgr. Prevost High School. From there, he was transferred, in 1955, to Mount Assumption, which boasts the third largest community of the order.

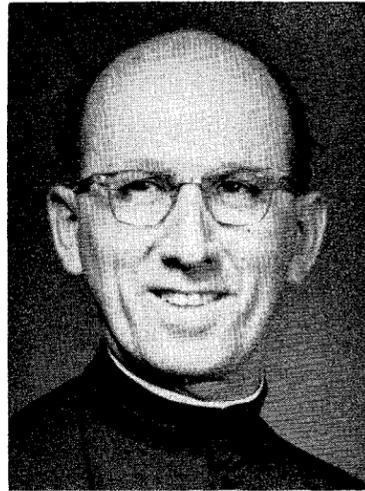
To the office of principal, Brother Dacian brought an extensive pedagogical background. He earned his B. A. and B. Ped. degrees simultaneously in 1940 from the University of Montreal and was awarded an M. A. in education from St. Michael's College in 1945. Education is his primary interest; he pursued graduate studies in education at The Catholic University of America, Fordham University, and Boston College during recent summer sessions.

Brother Dacian possesses those qualities, which mark the religious of deep conviction and the efficient administrator. A member of the provincial council from its inception, he has shown prudent judgment and a profound understanding of the religious life.

All the members of the Notre Dame District offer Brother Dacian their very best wishes on the occasion of his silver anniversary.

Soon after marking Brother Dacian's anniversary, the faculty of Mount Assumption celebrated Brother Romaric's silver jubilee. On August 29, a dinner was given in his honor. The Reverend William Frazier of Our Lady of Victory parish presided, and

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