

Cross was removed and carried back after the service; all this occurred at 11 o'clock.

On Holy saturday the fire was made and its blessing took place at the vestry, and the rest with the same ministers as on the preceding Day; it seemed to me again that, as for the *Exultet*, father de Quen would have sung it better. There was no mention of the Emperor, either on Friday or Saturday. I went to find Monsieur the Governor in his place, in order to begin with him in giving holy water from the baptismal fonts. I omitted to say a brief word before the procession to the fonts, to invite them to pray God for the blessing. We began an hour too soon; it is enough to begin at 9 o'clock, and we began at 8. At the *gloria* several Cannon shots were fired; the hospital nuns rang at 9 o'clock, *et hoc male*.

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The 1st Day was easter, which was very beautiful: I prepared, or rather gave, at mass the holy water of the Day before.

*Easter.*

I Announced the benediction for the 3 feasts,—on easter Day with us, on monday at the hospital, and on tuesday at the Ursulines'. The 1st Bell rang at the parish church at 5 o'clock; there we sang the litany of the name of Jesus, abridged by half, the *o filii*, and the *regina cæli*. After the litany, I said the prayer for the Day; and, at the end of the *regina cæli*, the prayer which belongs to it.

On the 8th, we made at evening the benediction in the honor of our Lady of the

*Benediction at low-sunday.*