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The New Saints of 1888 by Rev. Francis Goldie, S.J. from the libraries at The Catholic University of America, Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary and the University of Notre Dame.
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