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Beckett, organist of the St. Paul's church - With Mrs. Beckett (his Wife), two sons and four daughters] - The oldest of the beckett sisters was Gertrude, called Gettie or Tottie by his friends - Rizal came to know Dr. Rienhold Rost, the librarian of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and an authority on the Malayan languages and customs - He called Rizal " a pearl of a man" (una perla de hombre) - Rizal spent Sundays in the house of Mr. Rost News from home, good and bad - The bad news, were the injustices committed by the Spanish authorities on the Filipino people and Rizal family - Among which were as follow: 1. persecution of the Filipino patriots who signed the " anti-Friar petition of 1888" which was presented by Doroteo Cortes, Prominent Maso and lawyer, to Jose Centeno, Civil Governor of the Province of Manila, on March 1, 1888. 2. persecution of the Calamba tenants, including rizal's family and relatives, for their courage to petition the government for agrarioan reforms. 3. attacks on rizla by senators Salamanca and Vida in the Spanish Cortes and by Desenganos. 4. Manuel T. Hidalgo, husband of Saturnina was exile by gov. gen. Weyler to Bohol w/o due process of law. 5. Laureano Viado rizal's friend in UST was arrested because of copy of Noli were found in his house. Rev. Vincente Garcia depend the Noli against the attack of friars. Rizal heard this good news from Mariano Ponce. On Jan. 7, 1891, he wrote to father Garcia, expressing his personal thanks. Annotating Morga's Book This is the greatest achievement of Rizal in London , Sucesos de las Islas Filipinas (Historical Events of the Philippine Islands) which was published in Mexico, 1609. He spent many days in reading room of the British Museum poring over the pages of this book and laboriously reading the old histories of the Philippines, such as those written by Fr. Chirino, Fr.

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