

VATICAN SCENES.

7/12/54.

Crowds outside the Vatican offered prayers for his recovery during the serious illness of the Pope. Then --- following a revision of medical treatment, His Holiness began to make encouraging progress. It was announced that he hoped to give his Christmas message as usual. A special Mass was held in the Basilica of Santa Maria Maggiore.

GOODWINS MEMORIAL.

Off the Goodwin Sands, Walmer and Ramsgate lifeboats attended a memorial service to the members of the crew of the South Goodwin Lightship, who lost their lives in the recent heavy gales.

The wreaths were from members of their families --- and from Mr Ronald Murton, the scientist who was the only survivor of the disaster.