

FOREIGN MISSIONS

A GIFT BETTER THAN GOLD The generous and Catholic spirit of the American Hierarchy was finely exemplified recently at Maryknoll by the Right Rev. Austin Dowling of Des Moines. Bishop Dowling, after ordaining one of his men for the

foreign missions, said: "This young priest represents the first-fruits of our little diocese. We have many things to do in our part of the country. We have great needs and much anxiety as to the future. We are but 34 000 Catholics in the midst of 525,000 Protestants, and our position calls for sacrifice, courage, patience, and, above all, the grace of God. We need especially young priests, and as yet there are looked a not many vocations that have origin-fulfilled. ated in our diocese. It is a sacrifice, then, for us to give up this worthy young man, that he may go abroad to fulfil his vocation to the foreign missions. Yet I have most cheerfully and most willingly given him up and today I complete the sacrifice by assisting at his ordination.

"I send him to be a propitiation for the struggles of his own diocese, that God may bless his sacrifice and bless us. And I tell him this morning that wherever he goes, he shall not be out of our sight. We will follow him and we will help him. It will be part of our pride and obligation to see that he shall not suffer, as so many missionaries do, for the means necessary to his work. At least, he shall have the promise of many prayers, and our eyes and hearts

shall be focused on him.
"The beginning of the foreign mission movement should be a sacrifice from the whole American Church. The work is not diocesan; it is not provincial. Great and glorious, it concerns all the dioceses of the coun try, and it is a witness and a challenge to the spirit of sacrifice in our young men. This new priest shall be prayer for us. May God bless his life and the lives of his companions."

\$3,600 MORE IN SPITE OF THE WAR

The report of the Sodality of St. Peter Claver for the year 1916 shows an increase in receipts of about \$3,600 over the previous year, the combined collections amounting to \$86,000 in round numbers. This means that in spite of the second year of the War, the young and novel missionary society reached a higher figure than ever before. Let it be remembered, too, that the Sodality's propaganda up to the present time has been practically restricted to the nations now fighting. If the people of those nations with a thousand new demands made upon them by reason of the War haven't found it in their hearts to draw a tight purse string against the Missions of Africa, what should not the people of America do for those deserving missions now that the work has been introduced into this country? After ten years of propaganda the United States now is at the end of a twenty years' propaganda.

A LITTLE HERO OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

There is many a silver lining to the war clouds, even when at their front. darkest. In a certain Italian village, a correspondent from Rome tells us through the Bombay Examiner, the suddenly interned during the night by the military authorities, without any previous warning. The inhabitants too were commanded to leave their homes. But how could they depart, permitting the Blessed Sacrament in their little village church to be exposed to the danger of insult outrage in their absence Their simple faith suggested a beautiful answer:

"They picked out a boy six years of age who, they knew, had learned his catechism well. They dressed the child in a white robe and led the child in the c village had already gathered there men led the little boy to the rail and bade him mount the steps—they What the white reside bade him mount the steps—they would not enter the sauctuary in their humility. He opened the Hosts, the God of Battles, and tak he kept the Indians of File Hills and descended the altar steps to the rail, Blanket, one of the big chiefs from

where those who believed themselves in the grace of God were kneeling. And there in that out ofthe way little church the boy of six administered Holy Communion to the people until the last sacred particle was consumed. Then he purified the ciborium as he had often seen the priest do. The sanctuary lamp was put out, and the villagers with tears and sobs left the church."

When: tidings of the touching event reached the Holy Father he not only expressed his paternal pleasure, but likewise sent a present to the little hero of the Blessed Sacrament.— America.

IF YOU CANNOT FIGHT, PAY, PAY, PAY!

Fight or Pay! These are the alternatives that are before the people of Canada today. From taking one or the other of them there is no escape for the man of military fitness.
All of us must make sacrifices if

the War is to be won. That is so self-evident a proposition that it should not be necessary to make it. Yet there are people who even yet do not accept it as applying to themselves. In the matter of financial sacrifices, many a man is beginning to say to himself that he has given as much as he should be expected to give. But where is he to draw the line if he is in earnest about "Doing his bit" to win the War?

Plainly, there is one place at which he cannot draw it, and that is where the claims of the Canadian Patriotic his little flock. Fund present themselves.

If there is one Fund more than another that must be maintained, at cost of sacrifices, if need be, it is this prominent resident of Milan, Italy, one. The work it has undertaken cannot be allowed to drop. The ceived into the Catholic Church. dependents of our soldiers must be protected against want, privation or unnecessary suffering. All Canada has pledged itself to the men at the front that their families will be looked after, and that pledge must be



PTE. ROY WALKER REPORTED MISSING, BELIEVED KILLED

TWO PALS

A friend of the CATHOLIC RECORD had the pleasure recently of spend-Clifford Ironsides, of the 57th Btn. who has spent a year and ten months in the War zone. "Tim," as he is familiarly known in his home town, is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ironsides of Orillia, was wounded in the Battle of Ypres on June 15th, '16. He spent over a year in the hospital in land, and, as he says himself, it was the good care of the nurses and physicians and the prayers of a most devoted mother to whom he owes his recovery.

Pte. Ironsides mentioned the fact alone ought to be giving as much to that the Council of Africa as all Europe welcome visitor to the boys in the trenches; he used to receive it quite regularly.

Pte. Roy Walker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Angus Walker of the same town, and Ironsides were constantly to-gether, and the latter recalls many brave act of his Pal Roy at the

Roy Walker was reported missing some time ago and is now believed to have been killed. We are indebted parish priest and his assistant were to the Orillia Packet for the picture which appears above.

FATHER HUGONARD DEAD

HEROIC MISSIONARY, SINGLE-HANDED, RESTRAINED INDIANS FROM MASSACRE

Canadian Press Despatch

Regina, Sask., Feb. 12.—Father Hugonard died yesterday at the

him to the church. The entire Marseilles, France, in 1848 and came to Saskatchewan as a priest in 1872. for the ceremony, simple and He established the Indian school at sublime, that was to be held. Two Lebret in 1882, and has been con-

tabernacle and took out the Lord of 1885, few appreciate. Single-handed ing the lid off the ciborium, he Crooked Lakes from a massacre. Star

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File Hills, had come down and entrenched his braves in the ravines to the north of Lebret. Father Hugo-nard met the old chief and virtually forced him into submission.

Although frequently offered pro-

motion in his church, Father Hugo-nard always begged to be left with Rome, Jan. 25.-William Busch, of

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DIED

FINEGAN.-In London, on Feby 13, 1917. Elizabeth, wife of Jno. Finegan, aged thirty-eight years. May her soul rest in peace.

JORDAN.—At 95 Riverdale Ave. Toronto, Ont., on January 28, 1917, Mrs James Jordan. May her soul rest in peace.

MEEHAN.—At Huntley, Ont., Mrs. John Meehan, relict of the late John Meehan, aged eighty-two years. May her soul rest in peace.

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