Rene Menard

By ALEXANDER M. STEWART (Continued from Last Week)

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journal, baptized the daughter of the Senior Grossellers, uncle of the famous trader and explorer. The first wife of Medard Chouart Grossellers. the explorer, dled and he married the Cayuga mission he was olevated the widowed sister of Rudisson. After the tragic end of Huronia to the position of Superior of the These two men, Grossellers and Fr. Menard, who had returned to house of the members of his order. Radisson, friends of Fr. Menard in Three Rivers toward the close of Imagine him with his early morn-former years, then became loyal life-1650, became a member of the rest ing spiritual exercises just drawing long partners, sharers in business and dence there for the next five years, to a close when the early morning sharers in many thrilling adventures. During these years he must have business of the little town would be- it is almost certain that they reached journeyed down to Quebec, where his gin. A familiar sound, cling-clank- the upper waters of the Mississippi great elequence made him a favorite clink, a regular resounding ring, before Marquette and Joliet and if preacher. In the letters of Marie de would begin not the ring of a La Salle, their successor in the work l'Incarnation, who founded the Urchapel bell, but the ring of a black of exploring the heart of the contiguities Convent in Quebec, Fr. Menshith's anvil—not fashioning horsement, had had their facility and and is mentioned. But one of the shoes, because rivers and lakes were diplomacy the tragic element in La aims of a good Jesuit was to suppress the only roads to go on. Cling-clank, saile's life would have been missing personal vanity and boastfulness, so and the hiss of hot metal in water for For two years Father Menard did not the years in this period of his second tempering and another trade axe or see them. And then on the 19th of residence in Three Rivers are almost tomahawk was made. The black August, 1660, there arrived at Mon. stient as far as records go. But he smith was coining axes, the money of treal 60 five-man cannot with 300 had continued to gain the esteem of the wilderness, axes for exchange Ottawa tribesmen and Pierre Esprit his order and to be pleasing and for more fur, axes to hew out larger Radisson and Medard Chouart Gros-

> Fur Rush to Great Lakes Some men, upon seeing this vast fortune in fur, naturally enough

to the nearby China Sea, where Fr those days was almost the price of a

Menard hoped that some day his la kingdom. The two years of hard

hors would join with the labors of work and most skillful negotiations

the missionary here, St. Francis Xav- had on the part of these two citizens

ler, for no one had even suspected of Three Rivers, opened up new ter-

the stupendous width of this conti- ritory in the far end of Lake Su-

nent: and was not La Chine, near perior.

Montreal, the gateway to China.

Cling-clang-cling! Who was working

faster? who by trade or by war

would win the continent, the black

Life at Three Rivers 1651-1656

with Fr. Chaumonot in 1665. Iro-

quois raids continued to take place

approached, which called for the

Iroquois warriors to go west of the

Two Experiments

The Last Portage 1658-1661

shape.

out more fully.

dining room.

wanted to start, not a gold rush but smith in Three Rivers or the black. smith in Fort Orange (Albany)? a fur rush to the Upper Great Lakes. Axes destined for a century to make But not so with Fr. Mengrd, for in the reports which these men brought both France and England in Amerof populous regions, and of many ica, bear a share of bloodshed and tragedy; axes to be buried in many new tribes and of some remnants and of some remnants and of some remnants and of some remnants and refugees of the old.—Huron mission. an Indian warrior's grave, to help refugees of the blue-reduced treasure far him hew Ms path to the happy hunting ground; axes for paper weights. when now this story is being write opportunity appealed also to the Su perior of the Jesuit order and the an early risor—Fr. Menard's spiri- decision for Fr. Menard to go came ten. Cling-clang, the blacksmith is tual exercises are over and it is time suddenly. Grosseliers and Radisson did not return to the upper Lakes for Fr. Menard and his brothers in with these Ottawa tribesmen, yet this the order at Mass and then to go to immense piece of business which they breakfast at the long table in the had now brought to a climax afforded transportation for Fr. Menard to go-back-with the-Indians .- The In-Among the new emigrants from dlans were in a hurry to return. In New France in 1651 came the Radissons, who became residents of Three comes in late August. Their minds Rivers and friends of Fr. Menard. were set on gathering wild rice and Occasionally cances would stop at Occasionally canoes would stop at on the fall hunt. They were anxious Three Rivers from the upper lakes about the possibilities of long delays and wandering children of the north- from storms on large lakes, so now that they had made their purchases. pastor's blessing. How, then, would and seen the marvels of the white Fr. Menard's face light up with pleasure, and how he would forget wait for a few white men to make man's settlements, they could not for the moment that his heart was comfortable preparations. Moreover, aching to be back with the people they were a foreign tribe in an and the work that he leved. Their enemy's country and no one canoe, or conversation would bring back small group of canoes, could be per memories of faces he had seen by sunded to take the risk of wasting. many a campare light; memories of for, on their way down, they had friends, some not living but present come through great risks. A band of in the spirit and bound to him for- Iroquols had threatened the destrucever by the fascination of a mysteri-tion of Montreal itself and were ous land and by the unbreakable tie diverted from their sinister purpose of having risked life together in extreme hardship; versatile in languages and trusted by the Indians he would be called in to interpret for others less gifted. Preparations, them so great damage that Montreal them so great damage them so great damage that Montreal them so great damage that Montreal them so great damage them so great da however, for the mission at Cayuga was saved, but Dollard and the last Lake were indirectly being made in of his twenty heroes had fallen on 1664, when Fr. Simon Le Moyne May 21, 1660 like in the days of old made his first journey into the land in the Pass of Thermopylue. Fr. of the froquols, near Onondaga Lake. Menard must go at once.

American Historical Review, 1896. on lonely French settlements, yet Campbell. Also Pere Menard by H. Grosseller and Radisson, by H. Colin many Indians showed friendliness to C. Campbell, also Thwaites Jes. Rels. Fr. Le Moyne and as the Erie War Gros. & Rad.

Farewell Letter to Superior

"At two o'clock a. m., August 27 Genesee River and leave their villages unprotected, the movement 1660, just a few hours before deamong the "upper Iroquois" (up riv- parture, Menard wrote to his Superer beyond the Mohawks) for a lor, "I write you the last word and I French colony amongst them took desire it to be the seal of our friendship into Eternity. In three or four months you may put me into the me-Fr. Menard was soon to be called mento of the dead, considering the from the Jesuit residence at Three manner of living of these people and Rivers and as a member of the new my age and weak constitution. Notcolony he was to participate in that withstanding all this, I have felt so major piece of work, the revealing of powerful an attraction and have seen what is now Central New York to so little of nature in this undertakthe world of reading Europeans. This ling, that I cannot doubt that I would also was to bring into contrast two have had eternal remorse, had I experiments—one, the experiment of missed this opportunity. We were the Iroquois in making a world of taken a little by surprise, so that we peace by war and bloodshed, and the were unable to provide ourselves experiment of the missionaries in with clothing and other necessary making peace with the Iroquels by things, but He who feeds the birds persuasion and religious influence, and clothes the lilles of the field will The experiment of the Iroquois came take care of His servants. Should o ar end, but the experiment of re- we happen to die of misery, that ligious influence needs to be tried would be for us a great happiness. (Campbell, p. 7)

"Father," said La Val. the bishop After the return of Fr. Menard of New France, "every consideration from Cayuga, in 1658, to his official seems to demand your staying here, residence in Three Rivers, he was but God who is stronger than all. made the Superior of that residence. Wants you in those parts"—pointing an honor which was a recognition of to the West." "How often," Menard his faithfulness and ability but hard- wrote in his house of boughs on the ly a sufficient consolation for the shore of Keewenaw Bay on the south sorrow which he felt at leaving his shore of Lake Superior, "have I revery prosperous Cayuga mission, volved these words in my mind mid where he had made 400 converts, the torrents roar and in the solitudes. While at Three Rivers "Father Men of our great forests."

ar," as he is called in Radisson's Pope Hears of Mission Work October 29, 1660, Laval wrote as follows to Pope Alexander VII. "This summer a priest of the Society of Jesus left for a mission more than 500 leagues from Quebec. That country is inhabited by innumerable nations who have never heard of the faith. Seven Frenchmen have joined this expedition. They to buy castors thenver skins) and he to conquer squis." Campbell's Menard, p. 7, footnote. The "we" in Fr. Menard's letter includes Fr. Albanel, but the Indians set Fr. Albanel out of their the ruins of the town of Corbie canoe before leaving the settlements. France, has just been returned to the However, this setback did not deter church at Gorble by the Archbishop Fr. Albanel from performing a ma- of Birmingham, the Most Rev. Thom for piece of exploration on this con- as Williams. theat. He completed a trip a few year's later, by way of the Saguenay was a sports trophy. He gave it to a River, to Hudson's Bay, and a large Birmingham family who had been

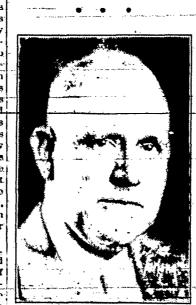
PERSONAL PORTRAITS

of Catholic Lay People in the Rochester Ducesé



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COLONIL FRANK H. BILL SCIENTRY and Manager to The Rome Co. 85-Allen-Street, has been actively associated with that company for Jwenty-eight years. Colond Bullis a member of the Supremy Board of Knights of St. John, his membership in the Knights of St. John dates back to beek average, where against the St. John dates back to beek average, where against the St. John dates back to beek average at the St. John dates back to beek average at the St. He is also a member of the Rich ester Council, Kinghis et Colum-Colonel Bol has the privilege of being ranked among the members the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchic, a Papal Organization, by an appointment of Pope Pius XI.



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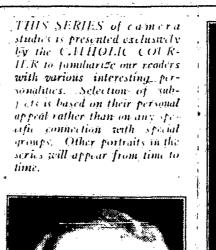
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George J. NIER is a member of the law firm of Whitman, Dey and Nier, located in the Genesee Valley Trust Bldg., at 45 Exchange Street. Mr. Nier is former commissioner of Public Safety, and a former County Commander of the Amer-ican Legion. He received his educounty Commander of the Americant Legion. He received his education at Cathedral High School, and Albany Law School. During the World War, he served overseas as a Sergeant of Infantry. Mr., Nier is a member of Rochester Council, Knights of Columbus. He is well known in Rochester circles as an outstanding baseball and football player. His home is at 235 Albemarle Street.

CHALICE RETURNED

London -/(NCWC) - A chalice found by a non-Catholic Australian soldier during the World War amid

The Australian thought the chalice lake east of Lake Mistassini as yet alkind to him. Years passed before most inaccessible bears his name. they realized the sacred nature of the gift, and it was then handed over to the Archbishop.



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a Grand Vizier of the National
Alhambra, at the 1933 National

convention o the Order of the Alhambra, which was held in Balti-more last month. Mr. O'Mara is a member of the Rochester Council, Kilights of Columbus, and the

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Canterbury Road.

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B. EDWARD SHLESINGER, President of the Rochester Diocesan Holy Name Union, is the Patent Attor-University Avenue, Mr. Shlesinger was former Patent Examiner, U. S. Patent Office, and former Technical Patent Advisor U. S. War Department. He is a member of Rochester Council, Knights of Columbus, Fourth Degree, and Al-hambra. Mr. Shlesinger is also President of St. Ambrose Holy Name Society. His home is at 63 Culver Parkway.

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Office of the Maternity of the Virgin-Mary is read, with its words of plety, of history and of art. It says

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"In an Encyclical Letter also, after having precisely delineated the characters of the Council of Ephesus, he pionsly and abundantly illustrated he ineffable privilege of the Divine Maternity of the Blessed Virgin Marv. with the object of inculcating always more profoundly in the minds of the faithful the knowledge of this sublime mystery. In the same temple he proposed the most blessed of all women. Mary Mother of God, and the Hoty Family of Nazareth, as the most noble exambles i be imitated. As much for the disn'ty and sanctity of hustian marriage as for the education that must be imparted to the oung.

"Finally, so that all this should be recalted in the liturgy, he ordered hat the Feast of the Divine Maternity of the Virgin Mary should be celebrated each year by the Universal Church on the day of the 11th of October with Mass and proper Office and the Double Rite of second class.

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