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When, to the great joy of all the Jesuits in Canada, all the Iroquois cantons were open to missions, in 1667, Father Beschefer had to bear the humiliation of staying in Quebec for a year, because of illness.

When one remembers that the Indians sometimes flavored their food with rancid fish or offered dog meat as a special delicacy, from which the hair had been scorched, the possession of a stout digestion was evidently one of the requisites before starting for the mission field.

In 1670 Father Beschefer was with the Mohawks as a missionary. The Mohawks gave him a great feast and called him "Ondessonk," which means hawk or bird of prey, which was the Indian name given first to St. Isaac Jogues and then to Fr. Simon Le Moyne.

In 1690-87 Father Bruyas was the superior of all Canadian missions. After 1687, he was Prefect of classes in the College of Quebec. Fr. Beschefer returned to France, November 13th, 1689, and died in Rheims, France, the 4th of February, 1711.

So when men worship and find God in Rheims Cathedral, they are not far from this veteran soldier of the cross and hero of the Canadian mission.

## Francois de Gueslis

On an evening in the Summer of 1903, in a parlor in Paris, France, two gentlemen are looking at a copy of the *Catholic Courier*. One is tall, light and courtly, of Irish-Scandinavian ancestry—an American, the other is dark and aristocratic, a Frenchman of noble family.

The Frenchman has treasured the *Catholic Courier* for a year or more. He has just brought it out of his library. It is evident that his profession as a lawyer calls for a very eloquent use of the French language and he explains to his guest that he has not kept up his study of English. His American guest then explains that the *Catholic Courier* recognizes him as a collateral descendant of the same family as Father Vaillant de Gueslis, S. J. The American is our friend, the Rev. Edward J. Byrne, D. D., of the faculty of St. Bernard's Seminary.

The Frenchman is Mons Jacques Vaillant de Gueslis, attorney for a large Paris corporation. He studied in the Jesuit College at Moulins, in which city his great grand-uncle died. The death of Father Francois Vaillant de Gueslis took place September 24, 1718.

Dr. Byrne said that the location of the grave in Moulins had been lost. Members of the faculty of the Seminaire des Missions received Dr. Byrne with very great cordiality, being very much delighted to entertain him because he had participated in placing the names of their graduates on the 17th Century on a monument in America. The Rev. A. Messier, V. M. and the Rev. A. Constantm, formerly of the Jesuit Seminary at Moulins, provided the information whereby this happy connection with Mons Vaillant de Gueslis of Paris has been made.

### Two July 19th's

Two 19th's of July, 250 years apart, now comes into the picture. After the destruction of the Seneca villages, the army of de Denonville stood on parade at Totiakton, in the Great Bend in Honoree Creek, at Rochester Junction.

With flags unfurled and with all the pomp and circumstance an army somewhat worn by wilderness marching could summon, the army awaited the words of the Act of Taking Possession "such an army." Some men were in the courtly dress of the nobles of Louis XIV, much bedraggled by hard wear of the rivers and forests and by sleeping on the ground.

There were some regular French soldiers showing still some remains of military finery in the camp-worn uniforms, then there were French runners of the wilderness, with French coats and Indian leather breeches; then Indians clad in fur and feathers with wolf tails and deer horns for decorations, and other Indian wild men.

### First Legal Document

Then there were the priests in black robes with sun tan covering the pallors of a monastic life. When the Process Verbal was read, with a loud voice, Father Vaillant de Gueslis was called forward to be named in this legal document as witness. This is the first legal document of record in

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