THE MONK

And have ye lost your chivalry, Ye vassals of Sieur Rodd, That ye should curl the lip at me Who henchman am of God?

Your liege-lord rides the king's white road In vair and gold and mirth, My Master shares the beggar's load O'er by-ways of the earth.

Rodd rides between the wheat and vine, The torch flares in his hall; The lantern's dusky flame is mine, Flick'ring from cloister-stall.

Ye boast his men, his towers, his ships, Fair fife and seigneury-A burning coal hath sealed my lips, My Lord's humility.

See in the grape His life-blood's dole Who made this flesh one with the corn: The sky is His blue drinking bowl, The moon his silver hunting horn.

-E.M.D.

THE MAORI MISSIONS

The Very Rev. Dean Van Dyk, Superior of the Maori Missions in the diocese of Auckland, spent a few days in Dunedin last week, and visited St. Andrews on Sunday. The Very Rev. Dean, who left on Tuesday last on his return to the North Island, expresses his sincere gratitude to his Lordship Bishop Brodie for the invitation he extended to the Missionary Fathers of St. Joseph to collect funds in his diocese for the upkeep of the missions, and for the generous response to their appeal met with in the various parishes visited, resulting in the very satisfactory amount of £500 being received to assist the Missionary Fathers in their work among the Maoris.

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"Writers have not always sufficiently appreciated the benefits which mankind derived from the pacific influence of the Roman Pontiffs. In an age which valued no merit but that of arms, Europe would have been plunged in perpetual war had not Pope after Pope labored incessantly for the preservation or restoration of peace. They rebuked the passions and checked the extravagant pretensions of sovereigns. Their character, as the common fathers of Christians, gave to their representatives a weight which no other mediator could claim; and their legates spared neither journey nor fatigue to reconcile the jarring interests of countries, and interpose the olive of peace between the swords of contending armies."-Lingard's History of England, Vol. II. chapter 2.

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