

suicidal war. The man responsible for this war himself invoked it by the horrid word "extermination."

The leaders of the campaign of destruction, however, have shown no readiness to accept the olive branch that has been offered to them. Liam Deasy's peace initiative has been turned down by Liam Lynch. The rejection does not put any obstacle on the path that lay before the Irish people and the Government. On the contrary, both have shown their readiness to pursue peace if possible by the methods of statesmanship. They have demanded merely the guarantees that would secure the peace when won. Mr. Liam Lynch, who owes his liberty to the Irish Generals' too trustful acceptance of his word of honor, insists that the fratricidal war shall go on until Mr. de Valera's vision of "extermination" is fulfilled. We have the conviction that both these war-makers will be disappointed. The country is able to judge, not merely between the patriotism of Liam Deasy and the patriotism of Liam Lynch, but between their capacities to measure the possibilities of the situation.

## Answers to Correspondents

T. O'B., Slope Point.—The Lawrence bazaar was held some time ago. The winning ticket was held by a gentleman in the North Island. Further information should be sought from the parish priest of Lawrence.

IGNORAMUS.—As a rule we take no notice of queries like yours, sent in without name and address of inquirer. However we refer you to the *Tablet* a few weeks back for the information you require as to the attitude of the Church on Freemasonry. We cannot be publishing items of this kind everytime a reader who does not read thinks of asking about them.

"WEEK-ENDERS."—The law obliging us to hear Mass on Sunday under pain of grievous sin begins to bind from midnight on Saturday. Hence, to leave your parish and to go to a place where there is no Mass after midnight on Saturday is a violation of the Law. To go away for any reasonable cause before the obligation begins to bind excuses one from grievous sin. Hence a "week-enders" who, once in a while goes to such a place on Saturday does not actually violate the law, but between avoiding grave sin and doing what sincere Christians ought to do there is a wide margin.

"PER S. M., Marton".—We regret that we have no fund for the starving children of Europe and are therefore compelled to return your charitable offering.

SPOOKS.—There are many good books on Spiritism. Mr. Godfrey Raupert, who was himself a spiritist, has written at least three very informing volumes. Recently there has appeared a new volume by Father de Heredia, an American Jesuit. It is probably the best book that has been published up to date. He proves that spirit photos and ectoplasm and similar "proofs" which gulled Conan Doyle can all be faked, and has faked them himself in public halls.

TO SEVERAL CONTRIBUTORS.—We are not dealing with the Tauranga election at any length. Beyond a brief editorial comment we have nothing to say to it as we are "off" politics just for the present. We appreciate the accounts of the ways and means by which Sir Joseph was defeated. Some of the information sent us reads too much like what is connoted by the old Irish saying: *Dubhairt bean liom go ndubhairt bean lei gurab bean in Ballinrode le poca in a lein.*

READER.—We answered your question before. The *Tablet* first appeared on May 3, 1873, so that our issue on May 3, this year will come out exactly on the day of the paper's Jubilee.

### The Venerable Sister Terese

Clients of "The Little Flower" will be pleased to hear that the Sisters of the Sacred Heart Convent, Highgate Hill, W.A., have received from Lisieux a cable announcing that the beatification of the Ven. Sister Terese will take place on April 29.

## BOOK NOTICES

*Marist Brothers' First Book*, Burns, Oates, Washbourne, London. Price 1/6.

To comply with a widely expressed request the Marist Brothers are issuing a new series of Reading Books which will aim at cultivating the child's golden gift of imagination by making it acquainted with some of the best stories of the world's imaginative literature. The compilers avail themselves largely of Catholic legends and the lives of the heroes of God, knowing that nothing is better calculated to maintain a Catholic atmosphere. The present volume is the first book of the series, and it is in every way all that the aims of the compilers foreshadowed. Particularly notable are the illustrations in color, usually reproductions of masterpieces.

*Catholic Truth*, Vol. 1., No. 1. Catholic Truth Society, London. Price Threepence.

This is the first number of a new journal intended to forward the aims and interests of the C.T.S., and it is bound to be welcome to all educated Catholic readers. A glance at the contents of the first issue is sufficient to make its scope plain. There is an article on "The Title *Catholic Truth*" by Hilaire Belloc, one on "Bad Popes" by Herbert Thurston, and a section named "The Antidote" dealing with Pope Joan, Galileo, and Married Priests—fables new and old about the Church.

*Catholic Medical Guardian*, the Quarterly Journal of the Guild of SS. Luke, Cosmas, and Damian. Edited by Lieut. Col. P. W. O'Gorman, C.M.G., M.D., etc. Burns, Oates, Washbourne, London. Price 1/4 (post free).

Here is another first number of a first volume of a Catholic journal with high aims, restricted however in its space. It cannot fail to be of great interest to Catholic doctors even outside the guilds of which it is the official journal.

*Boisín Dubh*, The Annual of the Cumann na n'Gaedhael, Wellington. Vol 1., No. 1.

Last but not least we welcome a third first number in *Dark Rosaleen* which comes to charm us with its attractive cover, its proud record of a year's achievement, and its kindly spirit of brotherhood. There are articles and stories and poems *go leor* in this first number. Among them we note a characteristically beautiful verse from "E.D.", a brilliant sketch from the pen of Jessie Mackay, a fine address on John Mitchel from M. O'Leary, a sonorous poem by Ua Nuallain, a good article by J. Robinson, a bright story by Carol Mangan, and a tiresome paper on Irish Literature by Seamus Ua Ceallaigh. To the young Annual we say *Slaínte agus saoghail Fada!*

C.T.S. Publications—London: *The English Pope*, by G. R. Snell; *The Resurrection of the Body*, by Vincent McNabb, O.P.; *The White Pearl and the Black Peril*, 2d each. Melbourne: *Annual Report*; *The Church and Prosperity*, Parts 1 and 2. Price 2d each.

The America Press Publications—*Human Evolution and Science*, by Rev. Francis P. Lebuffe, S.J.; *God and Caesar*, by Rev. Joseph Husslein, S.J. Ten Cents each. *The Ecclesiastical Review*, February, 1923. Linchan, Melbourne. 20/- yearly.

The February number of this valuable ecclesiastical periodical contains many articles of interest and importance. Father Cornelius Cremin contributes a scholarly paper on the Petrine Confession; Father Herbert Parker writes a practical and timely article on Socialism and the Catholic Pulpit. All the recent Roman documents are given and the more important Catholic publications are noticed.

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