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Church, "The Holy Cross Fathers...
are giving it, They are very good,
No better than the Columbians.
One of them reminds me of
my own little Priest,
Not quite as nice of course.
Please Alice, thank everyone
for me who went to the boat
to see Billy off, I'm sure he
was pleased. And now I'll
take that kiss you have for me
and give it right back to you
(X) With a big hug to boot.
I'm inclosing a few of Billy's
prayer for priest cards I know
you will remember him in
your prayers. The family join
me once more in thanking you
all for everything. Father Billy's
Grateful Mom.

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Providence R.I.
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Dear Alice,

We were delighted with
your wonderful letter of last
week telling us all about the
Priests departure from this
country. This morning the
snap-shots arrived, and it
sure is good to have them.
I think you are very kind
to go to such trouble.
It is with much gratitude
I thank you from the bottom
of my heart.
We are going to miss our little
priest in more ways than
one I can assure you.
He has only been gone

question his holy will, It was³
hard to part with him, God only
knows how hard, after having
him near home for the past
four years made it even harder,
I have been quite sick as he
probably has told you, I am still
not any to well, however the
girls are taking very good care
I don't over do, or over eat.
They keep reminding me that
I want to be here when Billy
comes home. And how I do,
So, I'm careful. The girls
wanted to answer your letter
for as I am not much of a hand
at writing, I first had to write
my self. We are making a
mission this week in our

a few weeks but it seems²
like months. However it is
what he has wanted to do since
he was twelve years old,
and I know he will be more
happy having at least a few
years in the missions.
O dear God, some day before
Dad or I pass on, I hope
and pray he will come back
to this country to stay,
I'm sure there is plenty of
work, missionary work, right
in the good old U. S. A.
I have always taught the children
"God does all things well."
If he wants my little priest
for the missions, who am I to