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[Copyrighted by the Author, 1901.] (Continued from last week.) PART FIRST. CHAPTER II.

Summer had come again and it was a glorious Sunday morning in July when in the little church where we first saw him, Thomas Conlin, robed in snowy vestments, stood at the altar to offer up the Holy Sacrifice. He were a beautiful alb of handmade lace which had been sent to him by Agnes several weeks before his ordination, but he knew not that in having it made she had been obliged to use the greatest caution to hide her gift from her husband. The letter, or rather short note, sent with it was the only message he had received from her, and though she claimed to be happy in her home, which had far surpassed her excepta tions, he was not to be deceived, and to-day while he prayed for all in his Mass she was remembered particularly

Never in the history of the little town had there been a greater day than this and the church was overflowing. But there was a gloom over the Conlin family. Agnes, who had faithfully promised when she went away to be home for this happy day, had neither come nor sent an excuse. Her letters of late were becoming fewer and shorter, and it was now several weeks since she had been heard from. She was missed everywhere, but more expecially in the choir. It was noticed by some that the young priest shed tears at the consecration, and some rightly guessed that those tears were for the absent one as well as in the holy awe which filled his heart at the thought of the sublime t he was performing Father Co. lin was given a short vacation of a few short weeks at home and everything was done to make his visit a pleasant on 3, but he missed the smiling face of his little cousin, as he always called her, and home was not what it had once been. If she had been laid away in the little family burial lot during his absence he would have had the consolation of knowing that she was safe, and could have offered prayers at her grave; but oh, the cruel fate which had caused such a separation as this! He had promised to remember her at the altar and this he did daily. The autumn months and part of the winter he spent with his bishop, then asked and obtained permiss on to go as a missionary to America. It is needless to say that Agues was not wholly absent from his thoughts when seeking this favor. The hope of soon seeing her and perhaps helping her in an hour of need made it easier for him to leave his home behind. But how has it fared with Agnes since we last saw her? She left us a happy bride and she might have remained in happiness for many months mother's tears bathed his head. had it not been for what her cousin feared most. Arriving at her new home she fairly went into ectacies when her husband after showing her through the house and grounds, he told her she was mistress of it all. But her bright hopes began to fall when he informed her that the elect circle in which she was to move was strictly Protestant, and she might as well give up her superstitions and become a member of his church. This she refused to do and he never succeeded in prevailing upon her to attend his c! urch, though he kept her from her own. As he was in reality no church member himself, he was satisfied with this arrangement, though he thought it would look much better for her to said to her husband: go once in a while to the fashionable Presbyterian temple. want to see mother." In the secrecy of her own room Agnes spent many sad hours and vou will be stronger. would gladly have given up all of her wealth to be back where she was a year ago, but she closely guarded her sorrow from her husband She could not send for her mother now, for she knew that her husband would not approve it; even if he did from home and called on a priest in a from home and called on a prices in a distant and secluded part of the city. To him she told all, and as long as her business which would keep him out of before noon the young pricet was on the time. No January les, February PHLO

exbausted. "Please send him up to my room but now he felt that it was all for the servant, "and best. Had it been possible he would you," turning to her companion, who soldom left her, "may be excused, as but duty selled him and he must go he is my cousin from home and I He knew that is a few we opportunity presented itself for her to wish to met him alone."

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A companion was hired who give her be yory careful about admitting lessons daily on what was required of strangers to his wife's room and not

ber in her social position. So well did abe to allow any one to remain long for TRUE MIRTOR OF THE PRINTER PRINTER IN A she passed out present her to his friends, and he Agnes, with one powerful effort, arous listened in triumph to the comments and tottered towards the door, but EDITOR OF CATEDLIC JOURNAL; passed on her rars beauty. He re- fell in his arms and he had to carry A feasies and determined people presented that she belonged to an her back to her chair. Then he know no defeat. Especialy such is aristocratic family and so artfully did glanced around and took in every- the case when the object is view or road that leads to it, are the face of he cling to his lie that only in part thing.

against the low out, sleevelees dress she was given to wear, but her hus-band and companion insisted upon it so changed in little over a year, and whose cause is similar to our own of they wish for happenets bet know so she had been obliged to submit. he found it hard to believe that the 1776-the Irish, the Boers, and the not the venity, the impriment, the pale, subken features before him were phillipinens. Who dare question not hingman of riches, however, and have guestion beaution the same that had bloomed with the the equity of their defense! Who power for which they here for it in glances and heard the compliments roses of health when last he saw her, dare dany their right to the first law value. his friends paid her beauty, but that But that was not the worst; he, too, of nature as is granted to the single We should learn from the blad not individual? As it is in the individual man sever to let a favorable opportunity separation from his fair queen. Over heated from dancing she sought re-health, but the rest was no more than caught a severe cold, which confired her to the house for several days. On her to the house for several days. On Almost instantly a faint or ber to the house for several days. On grasp Almost instantly a faint cry of freedom depends on " conditions. " by prayer, internal approximations, and her recovery, which was only partial, from the cradie aroused her, and her Aye a lame amerilon from these by the voice of the prime. she was ready to enter again upon the first words were: "Please give me advocates of "might" against right.

rich dress aroused the envy of not a to her and she soon soothed it to sleep that God's given right or laws do not few of the reigning bells of the season. again. I hen she whispered;

and the homage of z gay some works, ed you so much. have made real happines, the joys of Agnes Daton would have been complete. She had sacrificed her permitted to come to you, but sorry that ever polluted God's markil Par. Vies President, Mrs. R. Canada M. become a grand lady, and far more than she had wished had been given punis ed me for the wrong I have than she had wished had been given punis ed me for the wrong I have serpent is proclaimed in every mation Thumas R. Brankford of the by men of construct I Ye gods and Mrs. Joseph Fleetanether Thumas R. Brankford of the serpent is proclaimed in every mation Thumas R. Brankford of the serpent is proclaimed in every mation Thumas R. Brankford of the serpent is proclaimed in every mation Thumas R. Brankford of the serpent is proclaimed in every mation Thumas R. Brankford of the serpent is proclaimed in every mation Thumas R. Brankford of the serpent is proclaimed in every mation Thumas R. Brankford of the serpent is proclaimed in every mation Thumas R. Brankford of the serpent is proclaimed in every mation Thumas R. Brankford of the serpent is proclaimed in every mation is the serpent is proclaimed in every mation in the serpent is proclaimed in every mation the serpent is proclaimed in every mation the serpent is proclaimed in every mation in the serpent is proclaimed in the and she would have given all she and I have a kind husband, too: little fabes why speak of conscience Mine Mary Bellinger; Directored to the but-" She buried her face in her in this our enlightened (?) century [] William O. Barry Mine Mary Bellinger; Mine Mary

00000000 on her face for many months over the gist of the great element in his spread her features, and she tried to dear little consets, and ander different arise from her obsir, but mak back circumstances is would have be sound a convert sources have been opportunity presented itself for her to attend Mass or receive the strengthen-ing storament of the Blessed Eucharist. The women reluctantly retired, for and believed that help would show the had been warned by Mr. Daton to follow his mother to the grave.

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that season her brilliant beauty and The young priest brought the child forget or don't want to remember Vorily a class of men who seem to PREFETUAL MELT SOCIETE Could riches, con bined with the ten-der love of a most devoted husband know God sent you here when I need-in '76 was a fust one, likewise is the and reports for the most world, ed you so much." clash, Hence if the cause of the Americ Mary's Hoepital ware in their struggle against England nual meeting Wednesday affertable in the number of the pair water to be the second Do those individuals who pride them Carroll, Miss Julia Cher, Mr. Mission selves in the obaracters and advocates Kalb, Mrs. Elizabeth Madden Time, cir umstance, and conditions oan never right or justify wrong doing. This is not the deduction of a sinti-

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Spring came and with it the return "But what, Agnee? Tell me all. of the birds and the flowers in the You can trust me now as you did beautiful gardens, but the sweet note when you were home."

of the little feathered songster remind-ed Agnes, so much of home that she had happened since last they parted, welcomed them not as she had in years but he was painfully conscious that it gone by, and the very odor of the was not as the little Agnes of other flowers, often sickened her. The hard days had talked to him Then she est task was to keep a smiling face in had spoken in tones of unaffected the presence of her husband, whom childlish trust; now it was not his she loved most dewotedly. In the innocent little cousin, but the brokensummer a bright boy was sent to hearted women of society. cheer her life. But as she beld him "Poor little Agnes! Poor child!" he

in her arms and gazed upon his inne. murmured. "God has indeed punishcent face for the first time her ed you."

heart was filled with strange "Yes, Thomas, He has, but I de-e notions. A true mother's pride and served it for refusing to take your happiness on the advent of her first advice as well as that of our kind old, born baby was hers, and she hoped priest," that she might live to see him a man,

"You have suffered much for your for the world was all brightness; then sin, but God will forgive if you are when she thought of having him truly repentant." baptized her heart sank within her "I am, I am, and I pray that I

and instead of the cleansing waters a make one more good confession and see baby baptized before I die, but Mrs. Daton's faithful companion Edward has me watched so closely and alone was conscious that her mistress will not allow a priest near the house," was not happy, and in her love for "Agnes, do you forget that I have could not penetrate her secret. She other is allowed to come "

had hoped that baby would make "Will you baptize my baby, life brighter for the young mother, Thomas?" and her face brightened, had hoped that baby would make but in vain. Slowly but surely "I was so glad to see you that I had Agnes' health was failing, and it was almost forgotten the digibity to which not long ere that dread disease con- you had been raised. And will you sumption had carried her beyond all hear my confession? I am not siraid, earthly help Baby, too, was very for I have always trusted you, though delicate, and it was thought necessary I thought you were unreasonable when to seperate him from his mother in you objected to my marriage. The soonorder to save his life. But she clung er it is over the better, for my husband so closely to her darling that he could will be home to-morrow and he must not be taken from her. Once Agnes not know even that you were here

As he took the purple stole from his "I wish you would take me home - I pocket and was about to put it around his neck she nade an effort to kneel. "Wait until spring," he said, "then but seeing her, we skness her cousin objected Covering her own face with Without a word she turned away her hands she made what was to be to hide her tears, for she knew her her last confession, after which she inhusband's iron will could not be sisted up n kneeling while he probroken. She had really hoped that nounced the absolution.

at home, she might grow strong sgain, At her earnest request he remained or if she must die baby would be that night at the house, but left before of Prague where two Novenasa month. are made on the Fifth and Fifteenth. would not approve it; even if he did she could not bear to have her see her hopes were gone now. Once ing with the consecrated host before was how she was neglecting her religion. she begged her husband to send for a any of the servants were aware of his given as a Thanks-offering for favora It would break her poor heart, she priest but the request was met with absence. He went to her room as knew. so she felt it was far better to such an angry frown that she dared early as was prudent, and while the to Mother M. Joseph 903 McCallon Let her remain where she was. One thing she did wisely. Without her that God might not let her die unpre-have breakfast sent up. Agnes had St. Baltimore Md the greatest pleasure of receiving her Fiswers are Bleesing Agus.

At last her prayer was answered. first Holy Community since leaving In California the sir is pure and To him she told all, and as long as ner business which would keep min out of before noon the round provide the time. No sansary to the field of his michonary visits; so her faith was kept alive, but ed Cousin Thomas was announced. A labors in the far Weit: He carried all that will be and you with him to be and the far Weit: He carried all that we had not her to be and you with him to be and the far Weit. He carried all that we had not her to be and you with him to be and the far Weit. be was so closely watched that no bright light such as had not been som with him a hear the

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mentalist, but the belief of those who gauge their conduct above the Ten Commandments of God-again why This is the leading event of the tents disturb the dormant conditions of the soul in those people who wish to ad-cept God's precepts to suit their own notions? A line of solice sin Youve and characterized our precept allocing the bar of conto forwar, grand by races and Badhlo bains with the precept and the bar of the bar of the bar of the bar bar of the b and dealings with the Phillipine lalande. It is a source of pride to know that in the person of President Recessively that is a ray of hope of the independence of those Islands in the formation of a committee to inquire into the rights and conditions of those her she would have done all in her love for been ordained and have the power of people in the rights and conditions of those floor was a bower of light and life people in the far off Pacific. That and the enamble when the handed such investigation may bring about outples were sathered there was also the true history of the Philipinos to gather charming, and the availant the American people and freedom to tritible of Dissipation States and States those liberty loving people is the ar dent wish of every true American Was sourced in Soward Block Stilling Watkins, N. Y., H. O'O.

TOOM The following ladies acted as p St. Antheny's shrine for the Deaf In the chapel of St Francis Xavier's School for Deaf Mutes, 903 Culloh SL. Baltimore, Md, three Novenas for Benefactors are made every month by these little afflicted children of silence on the First, Tenthand Twentieth.

on the First. Tenth and Twentieth Bowe John Melinber Corrieds (Citte Also on every Tutsday a Massia M A Slupp J. 0 O'Brick W. ... said for the same intention. This Mahon George L White "Home School" for the Deaf is sup Among the guests from ont of town ported by the Contributions of those who are interested in this Special York Miss May H Dugan of Troy. Yo Work as no City or State aid is re W C Ganey of Auburn, Miss Ger. Co

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