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Synopsis of Previous Chapters. Chapter L.-Edward Daton, of America,

while visiting in Ireland, falls in love with Agnes Conlin, a poor Catholic girl. Thomas Conlin, Agnes' cousin, who is soon to be ordained a priest notices a serpent ring on her finger and when told it is her engagement ring he tries to persuade her not to marry this Protestant stranger. She, however, refuses and is married by the old parish priest after which they depart for the strangers beautiful home in Boston. Chapter II. -- Thomas Conlin is ordained and comes to America as a missionary and arrives at his cousin's home. There he learns that while his cousin has wealth and luxury she was not hardly seems possible happy. Her husband had selected a slmost a young lady.' circle in which she was to move and as it was strictly Protestant he said that she might give up her superstitions and become a member of his church. He would not even allow her to attend a six inches taller than you." Catholic church. She would not gratify him however and when Father Conlin I feel almost tempted sometimes to try arrived she insisted that he hear her confession and baptize her little baby son, who had just been born. Father Conlin goes away with his secret. Agnes dies a week after. Mr. Daton marries again, a rich Protestant woman, and his son is brought up a Protestant When Edward is eight years old his father Edward is eight years old his father dies. Chapter III and IV.—Cecelia O'Kane, an orphan, who lives with her sister Nellie, is engaged by Mrs. Daton sister Nellie, is engaged by Mrs. Daton burnels as young lady, when I am six months of cake and other delicacies both girls of cake and other delicacies both girls a young senior."

The street is our motto.

The people would not always be ing more pounds than there were girls in served in the Nickel Plate Dining this hand in served in the Nickel Plate Dining this in school, to say nothing of the store of cake and other delicacies both girls a young lady, when I am six months of cake and other delicacies both girls and your senior."

We concessay was the reason was celebrated at 8 o'clock. Cars, are the best in the world; prices are the best in the world; prices and of cake and other delicacies both girls your senior." as companion. Her step-son, Edward, falls in love with this Catholic girl, Cecelia, and marries her against the wishes of his step-mother. Chapter V. Cecelia is married eight years and has three children all of whom die and she Mr. Daton are left childless. Chapter VI After a laspe of seven and a half years we find Mr. and Mrs. Daton

(Continued from last week.) PART FIRST. CHAPTER VIII

When the parties most interested, the young ladies themselves, were informed of the plan they received the same old thing over and over again news with differing emotions. Agnes, day after day. I long to be free to news with differing emotions. Agnes, ever fond of novelty and glad of a chance to prepare herself for high life, was delighted, but she did not know then of the many hard days of school work ahead of her, neither did she know of the strict rules to which she, always accustomed to freedom, must submit She had had much of her own way with an overindulgent governess, and the only thing that had saved her from utter ignorance had been her natural ability to learn easily. Cecelia in the presence of others had made no ing my vacations and I have heard comment, a proof of her disaproval stronger than words, but when alone the poor child wept tears of real homesickness. Her mother never knew. but it required the kindest words to console her. Instinct prompted Cecelia to be most cheerful in the presence of her father and grandm ther, for she felt that they might not approve a

For a few days Cecelia suffered keenly, but she had resolved to be younger than I brave, and she was glad that she could go to the chapel to lay before the tabernacle the sorrows which she of us would not reveal to even her cousin. The good nuns goi g in at times and seeing how devoutly she prayed were deeply touched; they felt that there were choice blessings in store for one so devout, but they did not suspect why she praved. Agnes missed her home and freedom far more than she had anticipated, but whilst her cousin's mind turned on High for relief, she sought it by trying to win friends among the gayest girls in school, and it was soon proved that the old and tried friendship of her cousin was no dearer to her than the new ones she was continually making. It was noticed that she chose her intimates chiefly among those who dressed best and appeared to be wealthy. Cecelia for you that I know you could not sit was slower in making acquaintances, still and see me approach the holy and while she treated all kindly, she table without you. How I wish I was intimate with few; but those few were young ladies of sterling worth, in me and I could not do it if I tried and it mattered not to her that some ever so hard." of them were among the poorest in the school. She made friends to keep girl and I would ask nothing better them long, but, alas! poor Agnes, many to whom she gave her affections proved in the end not to be as true as opinion of my sanctity.' she had anticipated. It was a bitter lesson to her, but one well learned and remembered, and the time came when she was glad to take up with the companionship of those her far more

wise cousin had chosen. Both girls were greatly admired and loved by teachers and companions, but the one flaw in her character, namely, her pride, robbed Agnes of me you will do it " much of the esteem she would other-

000000000000000000000000 wise have commanded, and it did not help matters any when some mischievous person whispered about Agnes Cuilen was an orphan whom the Datons were bring up. Cecelia, overhearing the remark, rebuked it in a treat to-morrow" manner that prevented its repetition. CHAPTER IX.

"Sweet sixteen to-morrow," and Agnes Cullen drew herself up proudly, standing on tiptoe to make herself look taller, just as her aunt had done years ago when she was about to go with Mrs. Daton as a companion. "Sweet sixteen to-morrow, and it hardly seems possible that I am really

"And so am I," said Cecelia, teasingly; "you need not be so proud of being a young lady, for I am at least

"What a misfortune to be so small wearing thick soled shoes with high heels to make me taller."

"And make yourself look perfectly ridiculous, too."

"I would not care if I did, because

"I would willingly change with you if I could Agnes, for I do not like to be called a young lady while I am still in school"

"It is all right here. To appear young makes people think that we are really the more brilliant in our classes who is about to celebrate her seventh but it is when I am out of here that I feel it "

"You should not care for that, Agnes, for our vacations are two short

"I wish it was all over, for I am really tired of this school work; the

"You should be more patient, Agnes, for we shall have to leave this peaceful sh lter soon enough, to be thrown on the world.'

"You talk like one of vast experience, Cecelia Where did you get your superior knowledge of worldly affairs? Certainly not here."

"From the great book of life, Agnes. I have observed different things dur-

She might have said that, young as she was, she had been entrusted with many a secret by her companions which her cousin suspected not, but she could not by even the slightest hint betray the confidence placed in

"How very learned you are, Cecelia. cannot understand it, since we have always been together and you are

"Our dispositions differ," laughed Cecesia, "and that is no fault of either

"I think so. My nature calls me forth into the world, but you, Cecelia 'why, it almost seems at times that your place is right here for life," 'What do you mean, Agnes?"

"That you should be a nun." "It is certainly a most holy life. but I have never thought of it, and I fear I am not called to such. How

do you intend spending your birth-"I shall begin well by receiving Communion in the morning." "And I, too, Agnes, will receive

Communion for your intention." "Thank you, Cecelia, you are so kind; but I suppose I should not be thanking you, for it is such a pleasure were a good girl like you, but it is not for her dear father.

"Nonsense, Agnes; you are a good of you. If you knew me as well as you think, you might alter your

"Well, here we are preaching again when time is passing rapidly and I have far more important business to attend to just at present."

"What is it, Agnes, may I ask, or is it none of my business?"

"Yes, it is your business, for I have come to ask a favor of you and you must not dare refuse. Promise

"It depends wholly upon what it

"Something very easy. Will you promise?'

I assure you if your request is reason. can get along very well." able, I shall too gladly comply with

'I want you to go and ask Sister kind father to me." Katherine if we may go shopping down town this afternoon."

"What for, Agnes?" "I want to buy some candy and cannot do it alone." good things to give the girls a big

"Why not ask her yourselt?" "Because I am ataird she might refuse me, and you know she never refuses you anything."

"I do not know why she should you would ask her."

"Come now, Cecelia, please do,

cousin, went to find the Sister, from whom she obtained the desired permission, and as soon as the afternoon session was closed the two girls started

"I intend to let the boarders have enough candy for once," said Agnes, whose great love for sweets had been one weakness she could not overcome, and she proved her statement by buypurchased. With happy smiles they lowest rates, is our motto. returned just as their companions were Write F. J. Moore, General Agt., setting down to supper.

Cecelia after a little while stole away lar excursions. to the chapel to prepare for to morrow's communion. The daily Hail Mary which she had promised years ago to say for her grandmother had never will figure in next week's bill. once been omitted, and she repeated act that will especially please the chilit now, adding some earnest prayer dren, and interest the grown-ups as a bitter heartache had she suffered for Italian Liliputians. The troup conhim when she fully realized how blind sists of four male midgets who sing.

admiration for her pure devotion. the night when the door bell rang, taining of the monologuists now in her on her return, but she did not able vocalists. Phyllis Allen has a speak and the incident was torgotten clear contracto voice and she knows in Avon a few weeks ago, has now sold palms. An orchestra was high In the morning the girls were ready how to use it. Ritter's dogs are clever the others, and told the Sister they and the three Keatons fill out the bill. wished to go to confession before Mass.

lia, prepare yourself well for your agement wishes to call attention to the church has been well attended. In

to the mother superior's office. The are under the personal supervision of good nun arose and putting her arm Mr. James Clancy, manager of the around her, said tenderly:

"Cecelia, I received a message late last evening saying that your father is very ill and you must go home at

fore she reached him It was hard, quisitely handled and the company very hard, to think of losing him, but that will present it here assures a to have him die as he was seemed most splendid performance. terrible. In obedience to Sister's request she had offered her Communion for her intention instead of for Agnes, as she had intended, and she was glad of it now, for it had undoubtedly been

'Does Agnes know; is she going, too?" she at last found strenghth to

"No; only you have been sent for: but Sister will tell her before you go. You must hurry now, as your time is limited."

When Cecelia thought of it afterwards she scarcely knew how she had strenghth to reach the room where her clothing was kept, and she could never have dressed had not Agnes,

Agues, you would have been sent for, the scenic environment and mechani-"You know, Agnes, I make no and the fact that you were not gives cal effects, we are informed, are really blind premises, and I shall not do it hope that father may not be danger- magnificent, now even to please you. Of course, ously ill. As for traveling alone, I

"I think I should have been sent for. Uncle Edward has been like a

for you if he is really very ill, and strong and interesting sermon on the Columbus. About 300 now please help me get ready, for I Saviour and His sacred name.

(To be continued.)

Unprecedented Mevement of the Marce seekers to the Prevan Farm Lands of the West, via, Nickel Flate

not grant you a reasonable request attention to the Nickel Plate Road, for you as well as for me, and I wish and its superior facilities and attractions to the Home Seeker contemplat- mey, in a neat little speech, introduced ing a trip to the West, such interest the orator of the occasion who held the and I will do something for you some is apparent in our service, and so audience's closest attention for an hour. much encouragement has been given Cecelia unable to resist the bewitching smile and pleading voice of her ducted parties via., the Nickel Plate to Father Rose for his charming and Road, leaving Buffalo the first and eloquent address. third Tuesdays of each month during the period these low rates are in effect.

to the fact that they can enjoy s me vin. of the prosperity being meted out to the Western Farmers, and are going after it Join one of these special parties. Try the superior service of the Nickel Plate Road. The meals

Nickel Plate Road, 291 Main street, In the evening Agnes spent her for all information regarding Western ope offering will be taken up. whole time in the recreation hall, but Farm Lands, and rates for these popu-

COUR OPERA HOUSE. Numerous turns of headline value we do not have a chance to meet many for her father, whose irreligious life well, will be that presented by Picpainfully plain to her now Many colo's midgets, an aggregation of of relatives in Avon on Sunday last. he was of the blessings of faith which present acrobatics and give a lively Communion, when he had gone simply scored an emphatic hit in "Skinny's because she had asked him She knew | Finish." Their present vehicle, it not then, but he had been filled with | "Driftwood, however, is said by crit ics to be better than the old piece The boarders had just retired for Digby Bell is one of the most enter arousing no little curiosity as to whom America. Thorne and Carleton dethe late visitor might be. The mistress liver a rapid fire of jests that are said of boarders was called from the dor- to be conscientiously renewed every mitory, and Cecelia saw her glance at season. The Andelusians are agree

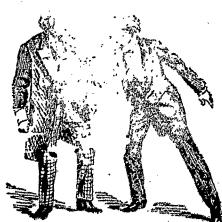
to go to the chapel a little earlier than performers. The Taylor twin sisters This show will be given twice daily

"Go, dear children, and you, Cece- during the coming week. The man Communion, which I wish you to offer for a special intention."

No more was said until after breakfast, when Cecelia was summoned to the mother superior's office. The condition of the mother superior's office. The condition of the mother superior's office. The condition of the condition to th auditorium.

"A Texas Steer" opens a three once. We kept it from you as you days' engagement next Monday night could g t no train until this forenoon, including the usual matinees on Tuesand we did not wish to disturb your day and Wednesday. This famous satrest by unnecessary worry. You have half an hour to prepare for your journey, and our carriage will be ready then to take you to the depot."

Cecelia trembled violently. One sad thought was uppermost in her mind—her father might be dead before her fore she reached him. It was hard, quisitely handled and the company and Nora O'Leary of this religing in health for the trembled country by storm when it was first produced to the bed for only four weeks before he died. The funeral services were held from St. Mary's church on Thesday morning at eleven o'clock. Rev. A. A. Hughes officiating. Deceased leaves surviving, four daughters. Mrs. B. Carpenter, of New York city. Mr. Robert E. Maher, the fore she reached him. It was hard, quisitely handled and the company.



From "A Texas Steer" at the Baker Theater. A real old fashioned comedy drama brim full of charming character deliniaon hearing the news, hastened to her aid. After the first burst of sympathy she said:

"I think it is real mean, Cecelia, that Sister will not allow me to go home with you, when I know you are not fit to travel alone."

"I tramp," will be presented. The inadmitted that he had made to the ments, but he said he had received no ments, but he said he had received no ments, but he said he had received no money, and would at once leave the town if allowed to got. At the request to the request to the ments, but he said he had received no me

"If you had been really needed, cast is one of the best obtainable and

CANANDAIGUA.

A week ago last Sunday evening the oly Name Society to the number of eighty marched to the church and were corps of Rochesser counts, in "Never mind, Agues; I shall send V. Burns, of the Cathedral, presched a

A large crowd assembled in the Davidson Grand Opera House Monday evening to listen to an eloquent Vincentian Father Ross on "Ireland as a Religious element in the World's History." The Holy Name Society formed an escort from the rectory to the Opera House. Miss Katherine Burns furnished. Since our special effort to attract ed a couple of plano selections and Mr. ttention to the Nickel Plate Road, and its superior facilities and attraction to the Mickel Plate Road, and its superior facilities and attractions. The Hon. Iohn Col-Father Dougherty then made a few

Prayers were offered Sunday for the repose of the souls of Jeremish Culhane he period these low rates are in effect. of Rochester: Mrs. Hannah Harvey, Eastern farmers are just awakening Mrs. Bridget Flannigan, Mrs. John Mei-

> Father Dougherty presched Sunday evening at the Forty Hours' in Stanley. On St. Patrick's day a high mass was celebrated at 9 o'clock, and the church

> was fairly well filled.

Next Sunday the Sodality will receive Holy Communion. Being also the fourth Sunday of the month, the school envel-

It is expected that Father Rosa's lecture will not the congregation \$125. Charles Ward sold tickets to the amount of \$16.55; Anna McDade, \$14.55, and Katherine Flynn, \$11.85.

Dr. P. M. Donovan, of Albion, has recently located here and gives promise of success in his chosen profession.

GENESEO. Miss Louise Harrington was a guest Leo Ryan has gone to New York city

to work in a meat market. Mrs. D. Toland will move into the Warden Charles R. Barnes as Scoville house on Grand street April 1st. Died, at South Boston, Mass. Monday that the work was never excel March 10th, Kern Mahoney, father of New York state and the men . Mahoney, who was here with her knights as well as the older a brother John, who is seriously ill, left here on Wodnesday of last week to attend the funeral on Thursday.

Miss Evelyn Walsh, of Lime, who graduated at the Normal school last Deputy Powers and to the me month has been engaged to teach at

Thomas O'Brien, Jr., has been elected principal of the Drake Business college at Jersey City, N. J.

James B. Costello, who traded his dining room was lastefully dehouse and lot in this village for a farm with flags, bunting, out flow Avon, who has land adjoining it?

Miss Mary J. Biggins, who has been in New York for the past ten days, returned home Wednesday

The lenten services at St. Mary

O'Leary has been failing in health for and Nora O'Leary, of this village, and Canada, 33 years ago. His two sons, John, of Buffalo, and Daniel moved to Buffalo was to Geneseo, and they have the sympa old and continued a reade to the of a large circle of friends in this

A few weeks age an item was published in the Journal from the Genesic correspondent for Catholics to look out for a swindler, who was canvassing for advertisements for a Catholic directory. and the following item is probably the

Attica, March 16.—A young man giver 1886, at which the ing the name of John Flemming, of Buffalo, arrived at Attica yesterday morning and commenced to canyage the Carnitare and have as business men for advertisements in a pumpers ever thee so-called Catholic calender, which he jumior member of the claimed to be authorized to get up for Bros. a member of the distribution among the Catholics of this place. Eather Gardener soon loarned of Education and a of his work and pretensions and caused neat of these or the his arrest on a charge of fraud. He was frater have taken before Justice Beans by Constable Ese and required to give an account of himself He admitted that he had made for the mittal

District Deputies Edward & I Rochester and Robert J. P. M Binghamton, ameted by the at Medina St. Patrick's day a council, No 561 of the Kai memben were present and the from Bulfalo, Lookport, Nagara J Syracuse, Goneva, Waterlee Auburn

The first and record degrees w gives in the afternoon. Will Allen soted as grand knight Rain J. Bendon as deputy grand ka Patrick J. Careley, se chance



There officers exemplified the w a manner that reflected or coupeil. John J. Melmerse the leading part in the s and acquired bimself in a

by District Deputy Powers with united in a vote of thanks to Di Grand Deputy Gutry, who had a of the arrangements to Di of the Rochester council for the

that was enjoyed. The final wind up was a beauty the Hart House hall, and the spe a bank of paless in the corner discoursed excellent

Loss master, W. B. March v. Cortory Medica: The Ki Buffalo Commell. Rochester, March 18th; and 18th; Finley, assistant at the Immaculate Conception church, Rochester, March Connect, 561 Danie J. Rev. A. A. Hughes has had services "The State Legislature" Hon. E. at the County Home during this month R. O'Malley, Burklo: In United States, Sunday, March 16th, Cornelius Sacrifice There is Success "The County House, March 16th, Cornelius Sacrifice There is Success "The County House, March 16th, Cornelius Sacrifice There is Success "The County House, March 16th, Cornelius Sacrifice There is Success "The County House, March 16th, Cornelius Sacrifice There is Success "The County House, March 16th, Cornelius Sacrifice There is Success "The County House, March 16th, Cornelius Sacrifice There is Success "The County House, March 16th, Cornelius Sacrifice There is Success to the County House, March 16th, Cornelius Sacrifice There is Success to the County House, March 16th, Cornelius Sacrifice There is Success to the County House, March 16th, Cornelius Sacrifice There is Success to the County House, March 16th, Cornelius Sacrifice There is Success to the County House, March 16th, Cornelius Sacrifice There is Success to the County House, March 16th, Cornelius Sacrifice There is Success to the County House, March 16th, Cornelius Sacrifice There is Success to the County House, March 16th, Cornelius Sacrifice There is Success to the County House, March 16th, Cornelius Sacrifice There is Success to the County House, March 16th, Cornelius Sacrifice There is Success to the County House, March 16th, King, Lookport: Les Wa the Germana M. J. Notesan

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