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Synopsis of Previous Chapters. Chapter I - Edward Daton, of America, while Chapter I - 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 hinger 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 Coulin is ordained and comes of America as a missionally and arrives at his cousin is ica as a missionary and arrives at his cousin's home. There he learns that while his cousin has wealth and awary she was not happy. Her husband had selected a circle in which she was nusband had selected a 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 Catholic church She would no, gratify him however and when Father Conin arrived she insisted that he hear and she and Air Daton are effect charter VI. After a lapse of seven and a half years we had Mr and Mrs Daton again happy with a daughter Cecella, who is about to celebrate her seventh birthday. Chapter VII.—The husband, of Nellie O Kane, now Mrs Cullen, dies and she is left a widow with one child, Agnes, Mrs. Daton adopts, her rates and burnes her in with her own daughter Chapter VIII and IX—Cecelia and Agues are sent to a convent school. The grandmother is very much opposed to this and reproaches her daughter-in law Chapter X—Mr Daton is suddenly taken sick and Cecelia is called home from school. Chapter XI and XIII Cecelia and Agues are graduate and a grand XII-Cecella and Agnes graduate and a grand reception is given them Mrs Cullen while at her sisters home it taken ill Cecelia and her grandmother have a dispute over religion Chapter XIII - Mrs Cullen recovers and remains at Daton's hom: Chapter XIV-Cecelua tells her mother that she intends entering thecon her mother that she intends entering the convent and becoming a nun. After a dispute she promises to remain at home one more year Chapter XV--Cecelia and her grandmother are visiting in a distant city when a terrible fire breaks out, making many homeless. Chapter XVI-Cecelia visits the prisoner, Charles Coon, who started the fire Chapter xVII-Grandmother Daton tells her grand-daughter that she has been convinced that the Catholic church is the only and true church and Mrs. Daton beis the only and true church and Mrs Daton be-

Part Second-Chapter 1 Allyn St. Clair, an infidel, meets Cecelia and falls in love with her. Chapter II - Allyn St Clair accidently finds a book belonging to Cecelia entitled Following of Christ He reads it and becomes interested services at the Catholic Cathedral where Cecelia sings. Chapter VI-Allyn asks Cecella to marry him and she refuses. Chapter V-Mrs Cullen discovers that Charles Coon, a criminal, is her long lost brother. Chapter VI - Allyn St Clair visits at Ceccina Daton's home Chapter VII—Ceccina enters a convent to become a num.

comes a convert. Chapter XVIII-Mr Daton is in fear of losing all he has and Cecelia goes on

(Continued from last week.) PART SECOND.

CHAPTER VIII.

"You have missed your vocation," said the aged nun; "your place is where you can give sympathy.

her mother's admiration when at home.

God. Dear mother admired my hair her ear. so much I shall send it home to her."

a look of reproach and after Mass in his appearance. sent for her to ask the cause of her

the truth. "My child;"said the Sister, reproachfully, 'do you consider such a spirit first thoughts should be of God.'

forgiveness and promised to do better such grief as his." in future. The memory of her fault remained with her during the day, but ten goes a long way." it did not prevent her committing another far more grievous.

In the afternoon the young lady boarders were going for a long walk, and in company with one of the elder Sisters Cecelia and the two other postulants who were to enter upon their retreat to-morrow were allowed to go with them. Her last act before leaving was to try on two robes which were all ready to be worm at the ceremony of next week. One was her not think of approaching him?" bridal robe, a gown of pearl-white satin, with a long train and deep frills of rich white lace which were to be mother would not approve it." festooned with orange blossoms. It

was grandmother's gift and just arriv- I feel he would appreciate it." ed the day before. It was the last robe she was to wear as a woman of Cecelia was gone, and her companion when he had heard her during Holy world. It fitted her perfectly, and a looked sadly after her, filled with sad Week. But where were the singers? lover of beauty and style would have misgivings. She knew that the girl's For some time he looked for themfound it hard to refrain from telling motives were good, but what could a vast crowd in spotless white gathered and in her present state of humility silent prayer. she felt that it was far more suited to her than the costly garment of satin

hastened to join the girls.

They took a long walk, but to Cecelia it seemed short She was deeply panion of the happiness of so soon receiving the habit of the order. As allowed the girl to go on. Cecelia Allyn St. Clair. realized it not at the time, but she was displaying pride in the intensity of stranger he said, sad and reproachfully. her feelings and the woman of experience had some misgivings lest it might not last. She was strongly tempted try to speak words of consolation to but her companions lifted her out. to warn the girl that prudence and calmness were very essential for her, but feeling that it would be useless remained silent.

cemetery, which, with its wealth of spring flowers, looked its very prettiest now, gone forever, and my confidence not seen before. and were about to pass when one of in women is buried in her grave. the girls came back and asked perwinter. The dead girl, though not of her away. With folded arms and a ble figure. their own faith, had been very dear hardened face the man stood looking to all, and the request was readily after them as they went to a seat some time to lock the church."

her."

let us hope that the innocent child is her. happy where she needs not our pray-

weeded and watered the plants put on |dealy (Mrs. St. Clair had been ill but a the grave by Alice's own mother day), but she who spurned my love then returned to the Sister and asked must come to me in the detestable as he loved and respected the priest, Cecelia laughed at that remark, so to be allowed half an hour to go around robe of a Catholic nun and mock my he felt that he often carried his charity lightly made, and entirely forgot it and see some of the grand monuments. distress while pretending to give too far. for the time, but it returned to her As it was yet early, they were given sympathy." long afterwards, conveying much the privilege, their mistress promising | For fully half an hour he stood on bring him to the home. to wait for them where she was the corner of the street opposite the It was a bright May morning and Cecelia remained with her, but the convent, then walked up and down he had been taught to despise was Cecelia was awake before the stroke of other two postulants accompained the in front of the building for some time, something wholly unlooked for by the first bell, thinking of a happy day girls. With the exception of the but for what purpose he knew not. Allyn St. Clair and at any other time so near at hand. The bell sounded singing of the birds in the trees and He was fully aware that there would he could not have accepted it, but he and, waiting not an instant, she has the faint rippling of the fountain be no chance of seeing Cecelia, but was too weak now to resist and willtened to dress. Unloosening her long, nearby not a sound could be heard, there seemed to be some strange com- ingly permitted himself to be carried shining braids she left her hair hang and Cecelia, whose ardent spirit had fort in gazing at the building which into the house and then to the infirmloose, just as she had often done for subsided with the end of her conver- he knew sheltered her. He felt himsation, was now silently admiring the self growing faint and weary, for he he was tenderly cared for by the "Only eight days more and that beauties of nature among the habita- had taken scarcely any food and had Christian Brothers and the priests. hair will be cut off. It will be a sacri-fice, but I can do it for the love of man's bitter, agonizing cry reached death. The policeman on the beat was supposed that he was a Catholic,

She did not stop to consider that heart of the strongest. It was a cry pleasant to one of his sensitive nature severe attack of illness, offered at once she was wasting precious moments in without hope as coming from the Trembling violently from weakness, to set his spiritual affairs aright. On foolish vanity until the second bell re- broken heart of one who has lost all, he tried to walk to a car which would learning that he had no religion, the called her. Hastily doing up her and Cecelia was deeply touched. She take him home, but reached the corner good father did not mention the matter hair, which seemed greatly inclined firmly clasped the hand of her com- just in time to see one pass, and it would to him again until he was stronger. to tangle, she covered it with her panion and looked around to see a be fully ten minutes before another His rapidly increasing weakness caused postulant's cap and hurried down to man in deep mourning seated at the came. There was a large church on his benefactors to fear that he would the chapel; but the tempter had gain- head of a newly-made grave. His the corner, and he was about to sit die and while the inmates of the house ed a victory and made her a little back was toward them and his face down on the steps to wait for the car took turns in caring for him, they late for morning prayers. As she en- was buried in his hands, but Cecelia when he noticed that the door was daily besieged heaven with carnes tered the mistress of novices gave her thought there was something familiar open, and, thinking that he would at-prayers for his conversion. In even

tardiness. She was obliged to confess friend, "said her companion, "and been undisturbed he would have en- serted itsely, and the aged priest who try, and four new convents established. to bear it."

"I would like to speak to him,"

greatest prudence, especially in public was visible, then that too, faded and cellence and holy purity of the life to and among strangers. I hope you do he was asleep.

"I would like to, Sister."

air around him was suddenly laden tail: With the deepest interest the The regular monthly meeting of the story was listened to, but no comment Central Council will be hald at the part of the story was listened to, but no comment Central Council will be hald at the part of the story was listened to, but no comment Central Council will be hald at the part of the story was listened to, but no comment central council will be hald at the part of the part of the story was listened to, but no comment central council will be hald at the part of the part of

her how lovely she looked; but her excuse this act of disobedience on the around the altar. Their faces shone mistress stood before her, a reminder part of a postulate so near the habit? with a wonderful radiance and all of her one fault of pride, and her face And then she thought of the pretty, seemed so happy that I e would have never changed as she looked over the winning face and sweet voice which given all he possessed to have joined dress, pronounced it all right and was too apt to attract the notice of them, but a deep rushing stream colled bade her take it off. Then she put strangers, especially of the opposite between which he could not cross He on the other, the habit with which sex. Cecelia had acted contrary to her approached the hank and stood looking she was to be invested at her reception, wishes and now she could breathe a wistfully across, fixing his gaze on one

man as Cecelia stood over him, then entwined with white lillies before her Dominican priest. and lace. With deep regr t she took she spoke what was intended as a and beckoned him to cross. it off and, donning once more the word of consolation. A moment he He made one effort, which failed.

Unbeeding the presence of the fell into the stream.

"Lost, lost forever," he murmared, in bitter tones. "It was not enough to With the tenderest care the girls have my mother taken away so sud-

passed him once or twice, eyeing him and the priest, who saw that he was

"Some poor man has lost a dear All was quiet here and had his mind derlying his manly character had asmay God comfort him and help him joyed making a thorough examination had taken him in often declared that A number of young ladies have joined its beautiful works of art. Such things would possess the power to do much and the numerous aspirants that are of vanity fitting for one who is about to receive the habit of the religious?

I would not have suspected it of you, especially in the morning, when your much one kind word may cheer him."

would no charm for him now. All that good.

"I would not," said the other.

"Why not? You know not how brance that the church in the far was a singer by profession and alone was a singer by profession and alone was a singer by profession and alone in the world without a relative, his "True, Cecelia, with some people, altar. Now and then a devout wor- longest on the scene in the cemeter

> many voices singing in tones more was made. "For charity, Sister, do not object. grand than anything he had ever be-

fore heard. Cecelia's voice arose loud BEAUTIFUL SERVICE. On the impulse of the moment and clear above them all, just as it had face—Cecelia's She turned once and Another deep, sad groan escaped the looked at him, then held a golden cross gi en by Rev. M. Albert Knapp, a

uniform worn during her probation, was silent, then quickly his hands then formed a mad resolution not to dropped from his face, he turned to her go to her, but to bring her to him, and springing to his feet stood looking heeding not the danger she must enstraight into her eyes. The Sister, counter. For a long time she firmly ble altar formed a scene long to be interested in talking with her com- fearing that Cecelia had confronted resisted, still holding the cross before remembered by those present. a madman, hastened to her rescue. her face, and he discovered that while Cecelia was spellbound by the man's she clung to that she was immovable. she talked she fairly went into ectacies, glance and there was a responsive Picking up a stone he simed it straight and the good Si ter could not help tenderness in her own eyes. To the at the cross, crushing the lillies and ladies presented themselves for the feeling that she was showing too much Sister the man was a stranger, but striking it unbroken at her feet. She habit of the order, following which an ardor, but she remained silent and Cecelia knew she was confronted by made one fruitless effort to recover elequent sermon portraying the subher prize and in so doing slipped and limity of the religious life was deliver-

"She is mine now," he thought, "Cecelia Daton, how can you stand "and I will rescue her." So saying, many truths expounded touched the before me in your nunnish robes and he plunged in and tried to reach her, hearts of all present. me after having broken my heart? I Her white garment was dripping with once believed you to be all that was the muddy water, but, strange to say, good and true in woman, but in my it was not stained. She gave him one will be known as Sister M. Fidelis. mad love for you I made a sad mistake. | look of sad reproach and then pointed They and reached the Protestant The only woman who had a true heart to a man of noble appearance who M. Xavier. was my own mother, but she is gone hung dying upon a cross which he had

The vision vanished and he felt Cecelia dared not speak, but stagger something clutching him. Opening mission to visit the grave of a young ing into the arms of her companion, his eyes he looked to the left of the lady who had been a boarder at the she looked into her face with an im- high altar and there beheld that same convent and had died during the ploring expression, which bade her take cross on which hung a life-sized mar-

"Come," said a man's voice, "it is

granted. All started for the spot, distance away to wait for the board- It was the sexton. St. Clair tried which was in a remote part of the ers, who soon assembled When they to rise, but fell back in the seat. The formed in line and walked away he sexton thought he had been drinking "Poor little Alice," said Cecelis, left the plot where his mother had and would have called in an officer to 'how nice it would be if we could all rested for less than a week and follow- help put him out, but one of the priests, Gerald. kneel down and recite the Rosary for ed at a distance, as if unwilling to lose an elderly man, who was walking up sight of her whom he still loved until and down the sisle saying his Office, "Yes." said her companion, "but the door of the convent closed behind was now upon the scene, and bending over the youth he took his hand, saying:

"This man is quiet ill." Allyn looked gratefully into his face, but could not speak.

"He cannot remain here," said the sexton, rather impatiently, for much

"No, he cannot, so you must help

Hospitality from one of the priests

It was such a cry as pierces the suspiciously, which was anything but in all probability entering upon a tract less attention inside, he entered. his weakest state the true nobility unof the interior of the vast edifice and with the light of the true faith he the order. These new foundations

rst thoughts should be of God."

Wery little, I fear. Time, not was much like this. Dropping into a mother having recently died, but for and the sisters there conduct a board to seem to the threat. In world without a relative, his of the threat in mother having recently died, but for and the sisters there conduct a board to describe the threat in the office the breat seem and promised to do better the first nothing was revealed until he ing school known as the Academy of line this office the breat seem and promised to do better. ly on the little lamp which, in the had fully recovered, when he told his Our Lady of Angels. "We cannot always tell; a word of midst of a costly array of cut glass, good friend about Cecelia, hiding no burned like a bright star before the thing of his love for her and linguing "True, Cecelia, with some peeple, but remember the man is a stranger." shipper would enter the edifice, but he kneel a few minutes in prayer and go family in Christ, and would it be charitable to refuse to do good to strangers?"

"You are right, but it is our duty as women of a religious order who are criticized on every side to use the greatest prudence, especially in public."

"True, Cecelia, with some peeple, but he devote worships and how he had followed her to the street, has one the most complete street, which she aspired reminded him of his In his dreams he thought that the dream and he told that in every deair around him was suddenly laden tail; With the deepest interest the

(To be continued.)

SIXTEEN YOUNG LADIES DON HA-

BIT OF ST. MARY'S ORDER.

it was the Closing of the Annual Retreat which has been in Progress at the Convent of St. Mary,

the annual retreat of the disters of St. Mary's Convent, Lockport, N. Y., came to a close Friday afternoon, Aug. 8th, in the Convent chanel. The retreat which has the same meaning as a mission to lay people, was

The program for the closing of the service was very beautiful. The chapel was handsomely decorated with natural flowers and palms, and the myriads of lighted candies on the pretty mar-

The service opened at 5 o'clock in the afternoon with the singing of the Veni Creator, after which 16 young ed by Father Knapp, who is an eloquent and forcible speaker, and the more.

The young ladies who received the abits were: Cecilia Colgan, of Dunkirk niece of Belle Fletcher, Sherman, Texas, Sister

Della Cartright, Sherman, Texas, Sister M. Monica. Leah Cartright, Sherman, Texas, Sister M. Austin.

Jeanne Beauregard, niece of Reverend L. Dacrer, Fournierville, Ont., Canada, Sister M. Philip. Margaret Flood, Canada, Sister M.

Anastasia Aylward, Boston, Sister M. Nellie Tighe, Lowell, Mass. . Sister M Helen Stack, Waco, Texas, Sister M

Thomasina. Anna Moran, Ireland, Sister M. Am-Julia Lynch, Ireland, Sister Mary

Catherine McNulty, Scranton, Pa. Sister M. Colletta. Julia Houlihan, Binghamton, Sister Mary Gertrude. Rose Ann Malo, Canada, Sister M.

Nellie Grotz, Buffalo, Sister M. Anthony. Alice Mooney, Waco, Texas, Sister M.

Four novices made their temporal vows. They were Sister St. Patrick, Theresa McConville, Sherman, Texas. Sister Mary Edward, Stells Cotts, Sherman, Texas.

Sister Mary Beatrix, Anna Furey, Sister Francis Xavier, Miss immand Anne Bertrand, Canada, grand niece of Rt. Rev. Mgr. O. Routhier, Vicar General of the Diocese of Ottawa, Ontario.niece of the office of auxillary bishop.

of Rev. J. Bte Ronthier Mason, P. Q.

To some the naming of Bishop Quig. Sister Francis Xavier, Miss Marie

Many of the sisters then pronounce ed their perpetual vows. The papal benediction was given by the priest, after which the Te Deum was sutoned by Father Knapp and taken up in an list recently prepared by the be excellent chant by the 100 sisters of the New York diocese made present. The music was beautiful. Quigley second choice, though he was spirit to the angel chorus as an echo that the two most important architecture of the second choice of present architecture of the second choice of of the superb symphonies at the eter-

relatives and friends dispersed after cose.

witnessing a most beautiful ceremony: choice," said Chancellor Barry. The convent in Lockport is the Mother House of the order in Amer bishop and directly in line for the ica, and Sister Mary Therees is the nity. The choice expresses the all head of the institute. Since the has unanimous feeling of the charge assumed charge a great many improve- laity of the archelocese. I think ments have been made to the properconstantly joining the order testify to as an aid in the rite of

its growth and appreciation, of the order is located at Elmira N.Y

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THE SEE OF CHICAG

SELECTING A SUCCESSON TO TH LATE ARCHBISHOP FEEHAN.

Bishop Spalding Jamed as nimus," Blaber Muldoon of Chi as "Dignier" and Makey de of Buffalo as "Dignes"

At the recent council of irremovable rectors and diocesan consultors of the Roman Catholic archdiocese of Calcaro the Right Rev. John Lancaster Spaiding, histop of Peoris, was named as "dignissimus," or most worthy, to succeed the late Archbishop Feeban. Thin choice was concurred in by the council of suffragan bishops that met immediately after the rectors and consultors had finished their work of naming, in addition to Bishop Spalding, at their "dignlor," or second choice, Right Rev. P. J. Muldoon, auxiliary bishop of Ohleago. For "digram," or third choice, Right Rev. James Edward Quigley, bishop of Buffalo, N. X. was named.

The recommendations were forwarded immediately to Rome and to the papal legation at Washington. It is probable that a new archbishop will not be appointed within at least six months and possibly not for a year or

Bishop Spaiding has been the rules of the diocese of Peoria since 1877. He is widely known as a poet, seeaylet and philosopher, and was educated at St. Mary's, Maryland, and in Heighum and Rome. Bishop Muldoon for nome time past had been assistant to the late archbishop. He is recognised as an administrator of rare ability and is a prime favorite with Roman Catholics of Chicago, Bishop Quigley in a native of Ontario and was educated in the College of St. Joseph at Bulkale and later at the University of Image bruck, in the Austrian Tyrol. Theme he went to Rome, where he wor di traordinary honors as a student and was ordained priest on April 12 188 His first pastorate was that of R. Joseph's in Buffalo, 'He was subset quently rector of St. Bridget's, and to April, 1806, was made bishep of the diocese. He is one of the biels Archbishop Corrigan

The choice of Bishop Spaiding first ballot was something of a prime to the clergy and laity, and been expected that there would be a strong sentiment in the council is the Informal consultations on the ale before the councils, hewever, des oped a general feeling among the com sy that the honor should properly to Bishop Spalding, considering his years, learning and great services to the church. Blahop Spalding is sixtytwo years old, while Bishop Muldoon is not yet forty. The rise of Blaker Muldoon, it is said, would be most ex-

ley as third choice is taken to be a on pliment that will probably result. the appointment of Bisher Quisley succeed Archbishop Courigen as he of the archdiocess of New York Th of the superb symphonies at the eter-honor to the Buffalo prelate with a nal throne when the vows of so many, said, have great weight in his fitconsecrated virgins pierced to the at Rome Benediction of the Blessed Sasan rectors and consultors was anneaded ment closed the exercises and the by Chancellor Barry of the architecture.

"It is in every way a me op Speiding is our senter se Bishop Spalding returns to the action of the councils. "Its, be improper for me to do so," he

In the Rochester diocese & convent ly in all Catholic churches se ing this ossess the personal like the ossess of the personal farmer from the co