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(Continued from last week.)

CHAPTER XXI.

His recovery indeed seemed almost impossible for he seemed at times to linger at the very portals between life and death, but so strong was his nurse's faith in prayer that she insisted that he would get better. In little over two weeks the crisis was passed and when there was a slight change for the better her joy was so great that she could scarcely control herself. The next week he was able to sit up and with his permission she willingly consented to return to her school, but she would not go back to Mr. Snell's until he was strong enough to be wrapped and carried back with her.

"I am so glad to be home again," he said wearily as they laid him on his own bed once more.

"Yes, Willie, we will take that little journey together to which you have looked forward all winter."

"I hope so," he said raising himself up to look out of the window at the road leading to the station. "The snow is almost gone, spring will soon be here and then you know what you have promised me."

The invalid smiled as he sank back on his pillow and closed his eyes to rest. Beatrice bent down and looked at the pale innocent face which she had feared would soon be hidden beneath the sod, then turning away with a tear in her eye she thought:

"I fear he may not be left with us long, but dear Mother look down upon the poor orphan and do not let him go until his one great wish has been granted."

CHAPTER XXII.

"Doctor is there any help for him?" and Beatrice looked at the physician as if she faint would read his answer in his face.

He did not reply but bent his whole attention to some powders he was measuring out. "There, give him one of those in two tablespoonfuls of water once every four hours."

Beatrice promised to follow his directions then repeated the question. The physician looked at her and said: "That is a hard question for you to ask, Miss, and still harder for me to answer."

"But surely you must have an opinion: Is there any hope for him?" "While there is life there is hope," he replied again eluding her question, through no other motive than kindness, for knowing well how tenderly she loved Willie he did not wish to wound her tender heart unnecessarily by warning her of the rapidly approaching end.

"Please doctor tell me the truth, for it is far better for me to know the worst than to be kept in such suspense as this."

"You are too young, miss, to be borrowing needless trouble and it is enough for you to suffer from it when it comes."

Beatrice was somewhat provoked by his answer and said with tears in her eyes:

"Doctor, a brother could scarcely be dearer to me than our sick boy; and if, as I understand from your remarks, there is no help for him it is your duty to tell me."

Tender pity filled his eyes as he silently gazed upon her who in her youth and delicate appearance seemed almost unfit to be told of any coming sorrow. Had she been the strong daughter of one of the farmers who had been accustomed to the hard ways of life he would have been less solicitous for her, but in every act she still showed marks of how tenderly she had been brought up, and he suspected with others that she was secretly suffering enough from hidden sorrow, undoubtedly reveries in future, which had placed her where she was. He was fully aware that the boy's death would be a great blow to her, but he believed that when away from the place she was soon to leave she would forget and cease to mourn him.

"I wish you would tell me the truth and not elude my question for I have good reason to wish to know in time."

"I do not understand your reasons but I would say this much: if the boy has any relatives or friends, which I understand he has not, I believe they could not be sent for too soon."

It was a bitter blow to the loving heart of Beatrice but she managed to say: "Then there is no help."

"None, whatever, as far as I can see. I believe his days are few."

"Thank you for that much information for I will be better prepared for it now, and besides there is a friend whom he must see before he leaves this world."

"I would advise you not to frighten our patient by letting him know what you have forced from me, for it might hasten the end."

"No fear of that, doctor, for I knew too well the character of our poor little suffering friend to have any fears of injuring him by what I may tell him. Young as he is, he has a brave, manly heart that would not be afraid of death. But I am leaving him too long alone so I must bid you good-bye."

It was now spring, or rather almost summer; and contrary to the hopes of those who loved him, Willie had not recovered from the illness caused by his long walk in the storm. His removal had brought on a relapse which had developed into consumption and it was sometimes feared that he would never see the summer, but the doctor had remained obstinate as to expressing what his opinion of the boy's condition was. The way he clung to life seemed at times almost miraculous, but hope often does wonders for the sick and seems to preserve life when doctors' remedies would fail.

The bright hope which was keeping our boy alive was that Beatrice had promised to take him in the spring to receive his First Communion, and together they earnestly prayed each day that God would not let him die without it.

"Only to receive our dear Lord just once," he said one day, "and then I will be content to go. It would be such a happiness to die on my First Communion day, then I know I would go straight to Heaven where my father and mother are."

Beatrice looked at him and it was hard to keep back the tears when she thought of the fair young face hidden in the grave.

"May you live long years afterwards," she said. "You are too young to die."

Since his illness his other studies had been discontinued but with the exception of a few days when he was the lowest he had never given up the study of his religion, of which before Beatrice's coming he had been so ignorant, and with wonderful strength he applied himself to his preparations for the great event which was to prove the crowning act of his short career.

With the truths she herself had so recently learned fresh in mind, Beatrice could not fail to make them interesting. In connection with her teachings she told many little stories of the saints which he had never before heard.

On entering his room when the doctor was gone Beatrice found her patient lying so still with his eyes closed that she thought him asleep and was about to glide away as she had come when he opened his eyes and looked searching in her face, said:

"What did the doctor say about me, Beatrice?"

"He always has but very little to say," was the evading reply.

"You needn't tell me if you don't want to, for I heard it all."

"And did it make you feel badly?" she asked, brushing back the thick yellow curls from his brow.

"It wouldn't, for I long to be with my dear mother; but I am afraid I will never have a chance to receive my First Communion."

"Yes you will, dear, I will not let you die without it."

"How can I if I am never strong enough to travel?"

"We will send for a priest to come here."

"How soon?" and much seemed to depend on the answer.

"To-morrow if you wish."

"And do you think he will come?"

"Certainly," said Beatrice.

That bright, happy look which she loved to see on the youthful face appeared, and closing his eyes he soon fell asleep.

"But surely our boy does not think he is going to die!" said Mrs. Snell. "He does, for he overheard what the doctor said, but I almost believe that he expected it himself before."

"How unfortunate, I am so sorry the poor child knows it for it might hasten the end. He is too young to think of such things."

"It does not trouble him for he is willing to go and asks only one favor, that he might see a priest."

"Won't our minister do just as well? He is a good man and everybody likes him. He can pray over him and I think he can help him get to heaven just as well as a Catholic priest."

Beatrice shook her head. "If he had wanted the services of your minister," she said, "he would have accepted them while he was well. As you say he may be a good man, but he is a priest our boy wants and please do not refuse to comply with his dying wish."

"I do not see how we can get a priest to come here. The nearest Catholic Church is many miles, but I will speak to Mr. Snell about it."

"Please do, but if it is distance you are thinking of, our telegraph and railroad systems make that very short indeed, and as for the expenses that will be incurred I will pay them all."

"I wouldn't have you do that, Beatrice, for you worked too hard to earn your money, especially since Willie has been sick. I hardly know myself how you have kept up to teach school and wait on him as you have. Had it not been for you I believe I would have been sick myself with trying to wait on him and do my other work."

"Love makes many things easy," said Beatrice, "and I do not regret the time and labor spent on our boy."

When Mrs. Snell spoke to her husband he could see no more sense in sending for a priest than his wife, and he remarked that those Catholics were queer people whom he could not understand.

"I know it," said his wife, "but Willie has always been a good boy and as Beatrice is willing to pay the expenses I think we ought not to refuse, especially as it may be his last request."

"If it is a possible thing to bring a priest here to see the boy, I will do it," said the kind-hearted farmer, "then when he is gone I will have nothing to regret, but Beatrice has worked too hard for her money to spend it in that way, so whatever it may cost I will pay it."

"God will reward you for your kindness," said the teacher who entered the room just in time to hear the last remark.

It was too late to do anything that night, but early next morning Mr. Snell went to the station and sent a message to the nearest large town on the line of the railroad where he found a priest. In less than half an hour the reverend gentleman was found and wired back that he would be there on the evening train.

"You are always so kind to me," and the boy pressed Mrs. Snell's hand to his lips when she told him the good news. "I will pray for you in Heaven. Does Beatrice know?"

"No, she will not know until she returns from school to-night."

When the teacher returned that afternoon she was joyfully surprised to find Mr. Snell ready to start to the depot to meet the priest and she proceeded directly to Willie's room. The boy was in a state of feverish excitement for he feared that the priest might not find him well prepared as he should be and would refuse him his heart's desire. Like a final attack from the enemy these temptations had been tormenting him all day; but knowing the ignorance of his kind friend and protectors in such matters he had no one to whom to reveal them until Beatrice came, and soon quieted his fears and prepared him to meet his guest. Willie was the first to catch the sound of the carriage as it turned into the yard and trying in vain to raise his head from the pillow to look out, he said:

"Where is the carriage, Beatrice, has he come?"

"Yes, Willie, the priest has come," and she started to go to meet him.

"Please stay with me, Beatrice, you know I never saw him before and I am almost afraid to meet him."

"You should not be afraid when he has been so kind as to come so far to see you."

"I know it, Beatrice, but it is always so hard for me to meet strangers."

(To be continued.)

Seventh Week At Cliff Haven.

But two weeks remain before the close of the season of 1903, the most successful in the history of the Catholic Summer School. For over three weeks every available room has been taken. Even the private cottages have helped out in the emergency by giving up their spare room to the patrons of the school. Despite every effort many were forced to go elsewhere for accommodations.

The Board of Trustees mid-summer meeting which was held on Tuesday of this week, the overcrowded condition of Cliff Haven was the chief subject of consideration. It was determined to push forward the erection of cottages both public and private, so that hereafter the supply of rooms may equal the demand.

Another important matter which has been decided upon is the organization of a society of men for intellectual improvement and for the advancement of the interests of the school. The work of organizing is in the hands of Rev. John F. Mullane, L.L.D. The honorary president of this society will be the Apostolic Delegate Mgr. Falconio.

A veritable intellectual feast was provided on the mornings of this week in the course of lectures on "Aspect of Contemporary Apologetics" by Rev. John T. Driscoll S. T. L. who is renowned both among Protestants and Catholics as a thinker of no mean order.

The conferences of the Sunday School Workers were held on the mornings of this week in the Marquette Cottage. They were presided over by Rev. Thomas McMillan, O. S. P. and Mrs. B. Ellen Burke. A large number of schools were represented so the discussions of the various assigned topics were entered into with great enthusiasm.

The evening lecturers this week were Rev. Bertrand Conway O. S. P. and Rev. D. J. McMahon D. D. A Shillhonte party was given at the cottage Rochester.

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ST. BERNARD'S ALUMNI FORM AN ASSOCIATION.

About seventy priests gathered at the close of the session of 1903, the St. Bernard's Seminary at 10 o'clock Thursday and set down to the first alumni dinner that institution has ever witnessed. They were the guests of Bishop McQuaid, through whose efforts the seminary was erected, it having been dedicated just ten years ago Thursday. During this decade it has graduated and ordained 112 priests, about sixty of whom were present at the banquet. The occasion was also the feast of St. Bernard, patron saint of the seminary. It had been proposed to form an alumni society at this time, and the plan was readily adopted, the following officers being chosen:

Honorary president, Right Rev. Bishop McQuaid; honorary vice-presidents, Revs. Eugene E. Livorini of New Orleans; Dennis W. Murphy of Louisville, Ky.; J. C. Strub, Alton, Ill.; Victor J. Van Den Hende, Ogdenburg, N. Y.; Peter P. LaTosha, Buffalo; Patrick J. Beach, Toronto, Can.; John A. Smith, Albany, N. Y.; William J. Burke, Peoria, Ill.; John J. Elly, Hartford, Conn.; John J. Carey, Lincoln, Neb.; Lawrence Murphy, San Francisco; Louis W. Rice, Wichita, Kan.; Joseph A. Delage, Springfield, Mass.; Justin W. Corcoran, Newark, N. J.; James A. O'Callaghan, Los Angeles, Cal.; Patrick Shanahan, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Paul E. O'Neill, Scranton, Pa.; Cornelius J. Cronan, New York; acting president, Rev. M. J. Garvey, Rochester diocese; vice-president, Rev. Henry F. Curtin, Syracuse; secretary, Rev. Owen P. Farron, Rochester; treasurer, Rev. Leo O'Hare, Albany; historian, Rev. William P. Ryan, Rochester; Executive Committee: Officers ex-officio, Rev. A. Hughes, Genesee; J. P. Brophy, Rochester; B. W. Gommenginger, Lyons; J. P. Shellhorn, Rochester; J. B. Keenan, Stanley; G. V. Burns, Rochester.

The gathering was an informal one, but most delightful. No formal toasts were given, but the Bishop made a speech of welcome to the alumni, and Rev. James J. Hartley, promoter, made another, congratulating the venerable host upon the occasion, saying: "This seminary is the crowning life-work of Bishop McQuaid. He has erected three for the training of priests: Seton Hall, seminary and college, in New Jersey; St. Andrew's in Rochester; and, last of all, the best, St. Bernard's."

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BAKER THEATRE.

"Tennessee's Partner," that delightful comedy drama, which has been such a phenomenal success for the past three seasons will be produced next week, starting Monday matinee, and with matinees Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, which will close the stock season. The play will be excellently acted and staged with care and artistic taste. It will be under the personal direction of Mr. Owen Davis, whose name has never yet been associated with a trashy play or careless production.

\$2.00 Excursion To Tahiti and Islands.

The New York Central offers an excursion to Tahiti and Islands Sunday, Aug. 23rd, at rate of only \$2.00 for the round trip and which includes the beautiful fifty mile tour on steamer among the islands known as "The Ramble." The route of steamer lies through both the Canadian and American Channels, passing Fidler's Elbow, Lost Channel, Echo Point and numerous other interesting places. Tickets will be honored to and from Alexandria Bay or any other river point desired on regular steamer leaving Alexandria Bay on return trip at 4 p.m. Fast special train will leave R.W. & O. State St. and Brinker place stations 9:30 a.m. arriving Clayton 1 p.m. where change is made to the steamer for the islands trip. Returning train leaves Clayton 6:45 p.m. arriving home again 10:30 p.m. in time for street cars on all routes.

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