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A BRILLIANT CAREER.

(Continued from last week.)

CHAPTER XXXII.

To all outward appearance George became a most obedient son, and when at an early age his father took him into the store, reposing much of the responsibility upon him, he seemed to enter with great interest upon his work and soon became a great favorite among his subordinates. His face seldom bore anything but marks of a sunny nature. The secret of his happiness, far from being a real interest in his present work, was founded on the anticipation of the great good he hoped to be able to do as a minister. Long after the rest of the household had gone to rest at night he would sit up and study in preparation for his great work. It was often hard for him, but the many duties of the day gave him no other opportunity. He had his youth and health so what was a little extra labor compared with the reward he hoped to reap. That God was on his side he felt confident, and cared for nothing else.

After his twenty-first birthday he felt that he was free to choose his profession for life and he was greatly surprised when on unfolding his plans to his parents he met with bitter opposition. His father told him in few words that he had intended on that day to make him an equal partner in his business which was to be all his after his death.

When he saw that George was unmoved by his fair promises he became very angry and told him that if he persisted in his foolish course he might go, but he would never again call him a child of his or give him a cent of his money. It was more of a threat meant to frighten him into submission but the young man took it in earnest and with the holy zeal of a true missionary he went from his father's home and with the assistance of his old friend who had been ordained some time before, he succeeded in completing his studies and reaching what he then blindly considered the highest dignity to which a true Christian man could aspire.

Shortly after his ordination he was given the fashionable parish where we first made his acquaintance in New York. Even there where he had hoped for perfect peace of mind, he was, as we have seen, not content nor did he ever find perfect happiness until in the humble garb of a priest of the Society of Jesus, he had taken the three holy vows of the religious. Then he thanked with all his heart the God who had at last, after many bitter trials, given him the true light.

He was back in his native city not through any wish of his own for he would have preferred to have given up his life among the missions of the far West, but because it was the will of his superior and he had only to obey.

Naturally on reaching Chicago his first thoughts were with his parents from whom he had not heard for years. He believed them still to be living in the prosperity in which he had left them, but he had voluntarily bound himself by the vow of poverty and he wanted no help from them, only to seek once more a renewal of their friendship.

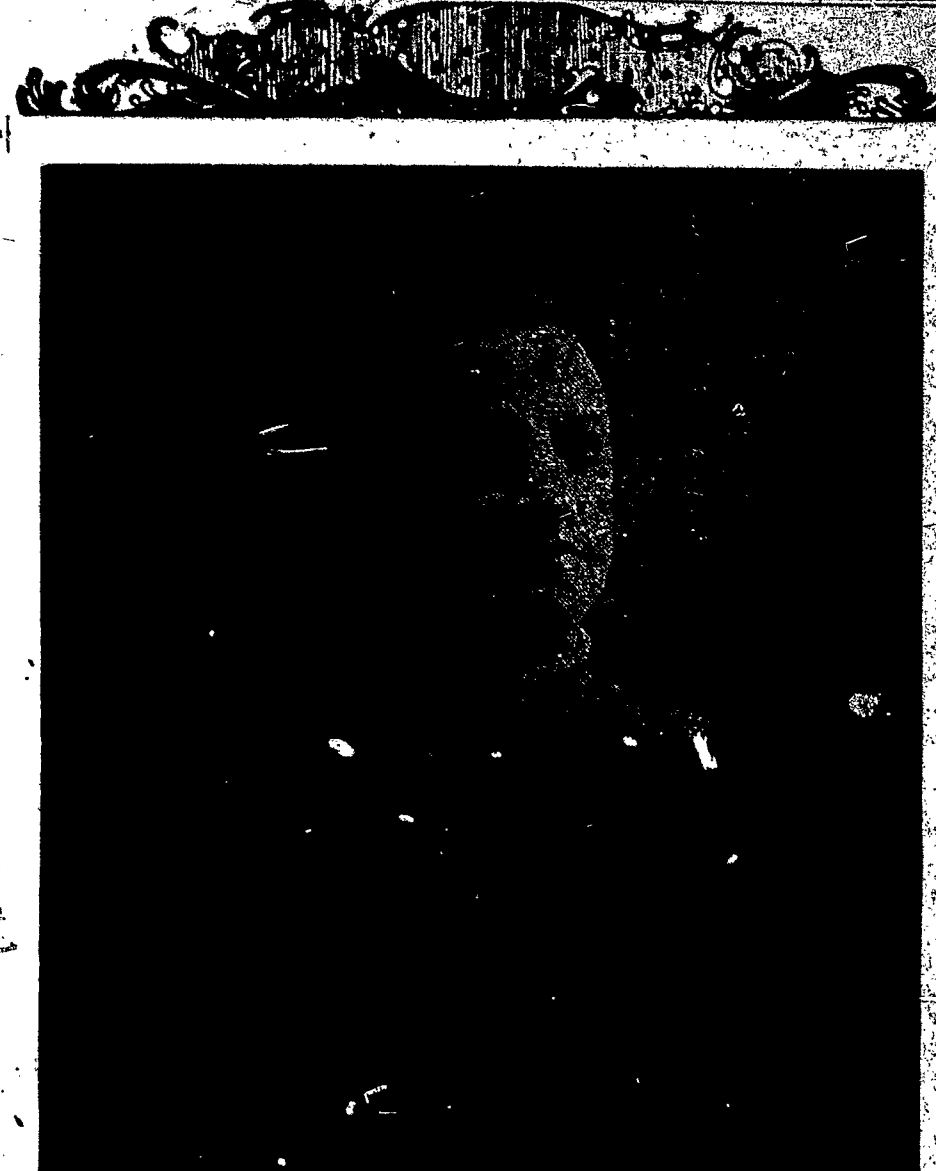
How often he now thought of Beatrice, whose life in a way had so closely resembled his own, and he hoped that like her he might find a welcome home. The house where he had been sent was in a distant part of the city from where he had lived and it was several days ere he had an opportunity to visit his home. When the time came he set out with mingled feeling of hope and fear, for the span of years which had elapsed since he had left there might have wrought many changes, and, perhaps, he dreaded to think of it, his dear parents might long have been sleeping beneath the sod and strangers in their place.

Home at last, and he found the outside of the house little changed excepting that some modern improvements had been made, a few small shade trees which he himself had planted had grown large, while some of the older ones had been cut down. He stood and looked up at the windows in which new and costly curtains were hanging as if expecting to see the dear familiar face of his mother, but she was not there, and the only living creature visible was a huge St. Bernard dog who met him at the gate and followed him to the door. In answer to his ring a strange girl appeared.

"Is Mrs. Lenton in?" he asked and tremblingly awaited the answer.

"No, Mrs. Lenton does not live here."

(To be continued.)



ARCHBISHOP FALCONIO, PAPAL DELEGATE AT WASHINGTON, WHO MAY GET THE RED HAT.

It is reported that Archbishop Diomedo Falconio, apostolic delegate in Washington, may soon become a cardinal. Mgr. Satoli was elevated to a seat in the college of cardinals after he had served the pope in Washington, and the same good fortune is predicted for Archbishop Falconio, who is now making a tour of the United States.

DISTINGUISHED VISITOR.

The Papal Delegate Pays Our Rt. Rev. Bishop a Visit.

Written for The Journal.

In common with his predecessors in the capacity of apostolic delegate and personal representative of the Pope in the United States, Archbishop Diomedo Falconio was delighted with the state of affairs in the diocese of Rochester. He carried back to Washington a mind picture of one of the best equipped dioceses in the United States, a diocese which, in comparison with its size, challenges comparison with any on the continent. The services last Sunday in the Cathedral, the chanting of the seminarians from St. Bernard's and St. Andrew's, the number of Catholic schools and large attendance thereon, the number of fine churches, the splendidly manned asylums and hospitals, all delighted and amazed the delegate. His compliments to Bishop McQuaid were many and hearty. Especially was he pleased with St. Bernard's Seminary, the life work of the venerable bishop of Rochester.

Monsignor Falconio, who became a naturalized American citizen while president of St. Bonaventure's Seminary in Alleghany County 82 years ago, arrived in Rochester Saturday night and was driven to the episcopal residence on Frank street. Sunday morning he occupied the episcopal throne in the Cathedral at high mass and afterward carried the host in the procession which marked the opening of the "Forty Hours Devotion."

During his stay in Rochester Monsignor Falconio kindly consented to grant the writer a brief interview. During his stay in the United States the delegate has learned to be chary of what he says to the ubiquitous American reporters. Representatives of the press in this country, if left to themselves are men of honor and, as a rule, would respect confidence reposed. But their editors are so anxious for sensational copy that the reporter must needs turn and twist and expand every word into ten so that a half dozen words often becomes half a column when seen in print. His kindly nature will not permit him to be brusque to newspaper men, so he sees them but rarely. Moreover the true diplomat should never be interviewed personally except on the most important of subjects and even then it is best to be reserved. When Theodore Roosevelt was governor of the state of New York he never permitted himself to be quoted except in the third person unless he gave out an official statement. It might be remarked that Archbishop Falconio is a diplomat of no mean order.

In personal appearance the delegate is of medium height, somewhat spare but with a pleasant face. His eye is bright and keen. He speaks English fluently but with an unmistakably Italian accent which is musical to the

ear. When he learned from Bishop McQuaid that the writer was a Catholic his face lighted up and he bestowed his blessing, adding "God bless you in your work now and in the future." He added, "Rochester is a beautiful city. I am much pleased with the evidence of intense, practical Catholicity I see here. The services of Sunday were beautiful and the singing of the seminarians breathed the true religious tone. St. Bernard's seminary, the hospitals, asylums, all reflect great credit upon your good bishop."

The delegate remarked wistfully that while he was a naturalized American citizen he had been absent from this country for 32 years and he wondered if he had lost his right to vote. "Any way," he said wistfully, "the residents of the city of Washington, D. C., do not have the privilege of voting, I guess." It has been the rule that the apostolic delegate upon his recall to Rome is promoted to the cardinalate but Archbishop Falconio declined to discuss whether this was likely to prevail in his own case. As indeed he refused to discuss any question pertaining to "ecclesiastical politics."

Five Minute Sermon

John Sends His Disciples to Christ.

According to the predictions of the prophets the expected Messiah was to appear when the nations of the East had fallen under the power of one great empire, when the seventy weeks of years spoken of by Daniel, the prophet, were completed and when the sceptre of absolute dominion had passed from the kingdom of Judah, as foretold by Jacob. Now, in the time of Christ all these predictions were fulfilled. The nations of the East had fallen under the power of the Roman empire, the seventy weeks of years were ended, and the sceptre had passed from the land of Judah, and the Israelites groaned under the yoke of the stranger. The Jews, therefore, had good reason in the time of Christ to expect the coming of the Messiah.

In Him and in Him alone they should have recognized the Messiah. In Him the most minute circumstances regarding the Messiah were verified. And if the Hebrews, instead of expecting and desiring, through a misunderstanding, a warrior, a conqueror, an earthly and powerful prince, had given attention to what was foretold of His birth, growth, habits, actions, of His humiliations, sufferings, and death, they would have been compelled to recognize Him as the Messiah.

This Gospel teaches us to be always zealous followers and disciples of Jesus Christ; to cause His holy name to be praised; by laboring constantly in His service; not to be puffed up as needs to every wind of temptation; to flee from the luxuries of life and the pomps of this world, and to show forth in our own lives the life of Jesus Christ.

CATHEDRAL.

The Forty Hours Devotion closed with a solemn high mass Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock after which a solemn procession took place and after the chanting of the litany and palms for the occasion, the Blessed Sacrament was deposited in the repository.

Tuesday morning at 7 o'clock a requiem mass was celebrated for the late Susan Moran.

Rev. Archbishop Falconio, apostolic delegate, assisted at the 10:30 o'clock mass last Sunday. In the solemn procession His Excellency carried the Blessed Sacrament.

Mrs. Mary Murphy died Tuesday morning, Nov. 24th, at her home, 114 Ambrose St., aged 75 years. She leaves one son, Hugh Murphy and one daughter, Mrs. George W. Elliott of Burlington, Iowa, and nine grand children. She was one of the oldest members of this church and a member of the Rosary society. The funeral took place Thursday morning at 9 o'clock and was largely attended. Solemn high mass of requiem was celebrated by Rev. M. J. Krieg assisted by the Rev. Thomas F. Hickey as deacon and Rev. George V. Burns as sub-deacon. The floral offerings were profuse.

The funeral of Miss Elizabeth Redmond took place Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock from Lady Chapel. Solemn high mass was celebrated by Very Rev. Thomas F. Hickey assisted by Rev. George V. Burns and Rev. Francis J. O'Hara.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION.

The regular monthly meeting of the Rosary society will take place tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock. The new members, numbering 127, who were received last month, will be assigned to their promoters at the meeting tomorrow.

Commencing Wednesday, Dec. 9th, a three days' retreat for the members of the Young Ladies Society, will be conducted in this church by the Redemptorist, Father Herzig. On the following Sunday there will be a formal reception of the large number of young ladies who have joined the society since the last reception.

On the evening of Friday, Nov. 27, the Young Ladies Society held a doll social in the school hall. The idea was a novel one and proved a great success. Each member brought with her a doll which she had dressed. The collection, numbering nearly 100, was exhibited, after which competent judges awarded prizes to the donors of best dressed dolls. Subsequently the dolls were packed and sent to the orphan asylum to be distributed at Christmas time. The display showed much originality of idea and proved the willingness of the members to cooperate in any good work. The collection of dolls was valued at probably \$200.

The funeral of Mrs. Helen Shaw was held from this church Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock.

On Thursday morning at 9 o'clock the funeral of Mrs. George White took place.

COUSIN CARROLL.

The Rosary society will hold their regular meeting on Sunday after vesper.

John R., son of John and Agnes Lynch, died Sunday at the family home, 354 Selo St., aged 28 years. He leaves besides his parents, five brothers and one sister. The funeral was held Tuesday morning at 9:30 from the house and at 9 o'clock from this church.

On Tuesday evening Branch 130, C. M. B. A. will hold their annual election of officers for the year 1904. Mr. and Mrs. Henry T. McFarlin are receiving congratulations over the birth of a young son.

CHRISTMAS EXCURSION.

On Wednesday, Dec. 23rd, the West Shore Railroad will sell tickets to Boston, Greenfield, Gardner, Fitchburg and Ayer, Mass., at the low rate of \$10 for the round trip, tickets good going Wednesday, Dec. 23rd, returning on or before Saturday, Jan. 2nd, 1904. See dodgers advertising time of through trains.

This excursion affords a splendid opportunity to visit New England during the holiday season at very little expense.

Boston is one of America's most interesting cities; it has more tourist travel than any other city in the country; it has a great many objects of importance, such as Faneuil Hall, the Cradle of Liberty, Bunker Hill Monument, North Church, The Old State House, Old Christ Church, Old South Meeting House, Boston's great stores, Boston's splendid theatres,