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## Disillusioned

"What! You at Mass this morning? Didn't you go to the dance last night?"

"Go? Of course I went; had a simply elegant time, too. I'm sorry you were not there, girlie."

"I'm sorry you were not there, Margaret. Isn't it cold this morning?"

"Bitter! I don't know how I got myself out of bed. Mamma will give me fits for getting up; she always expects me to stay in bed half a day after a dance. But I thought I must go to Mass anyway, even if I did miss my First Friday Communion. But wasn't the sky gorgeous, Eleanor? Crossing the bridge, I looked up at the river, and there was the faintest pink flush in the east, dashed with long, bright streaks, and the ice was the prettiest lavender, really lavender, reflected from the sky. And those pearly ripples and icicles at the water fall are just beautiful. Why don't we get up early often, Eleanor, just to see the sunrise? It is so lovely."

"Dear Margaret," said her friend tolerantly, "you are a beauty worshipper. I was too cold to look right or left. I believe you would not hesitate to spend your last nickel for a hyacinth to feed your soul, even if your body was starving."

"I doubt that," rejoined the other, laughing. "My thoughts are apt to soar no higher than the dinner table when I am hungry. But I do love beauty," she added solemnly, a wistfulness in her eye, "and, Eleanor, last night it was simply divine—the lights, the holly and mistletoe, the green and white fuzzy decorations, the sweetest music coming from behind the palms—her voice had become meditative—and the last waltz—my heart felt somehow as it never did before, I think—I think, Eleanor, that Heaven must be something like that night."

"How foolish Margaret, and not very reverent, either! Perhaps some who had no difficulty in getting cards for last night won't find it so easy to get a passport to Heaven."

"Judge not!" warned Margaret. "How do you know what any of those people are at heart? Do you give no credit at all to Protestants?"

"I was not thinking of creed when I spoke," replied Eleanor. "You are not the only Catholic who was there last night. But you know as well as I do, Margaret, that the set you mingle with lately has a more elastic code than we are accustomed to. It's only reasonable to fear that you cannot long remain untarnished. And I think it very wrong of you to continue to encourage Mr. Barnes."

"You are so narrow, Eleanor, so very narrow. Just because Philip Barnes is not of your faith you condemn him."

"My opposition to him is not solely on the basis of religion, Margaret, although that should be reason enough. You know, as well as I do, the evils of mixed marriages. Even if he were a Protestant it would not be so bad, but he's a bragging atheist! And leaving the question of religion out of it altogether, he does not compare with Mr. Daniels as a man."

"Oh, do leave him out of the discussion, please!" cried Margaret, almost angrily. "You will plead for Dr. Daniels. I told you that I should never marry him, never. I told him so, too; and when he answered that if ever I changed my mind all I have to do is send for him, I told Dr. Daniels that if ever I did humiliate myself to the degree of sending for him for any purpose whatever, why, he could take advantage of it and marry me; but we both knew that I never would do that, and I never will!"

"Don't brag," warned Eleanor. "None of us know what we may do before we die."

"Well, I'd die sooner than do that, you may be sure. But about last night, why, there was no and religious circles in Utica half a century ago."

had a perfectly dazzling time. Everything in the past is tame compared with the joy of last night!"

"Last night! Last night!" repeated Eleanor, smiling indulgently into her friend's bright face. "Did anything extraordinary or wonderful happen last night, that it should make such an impression upon you?" There was a searching glance in Eleanor's face.

Margaret blushed, and then looked annoyed, as if displeased with herself for doing so.

"Well—I—I" she stammered.

"Never mind, dear," soothed Eleanor. "I can't help having my suspicions, but you never can tell. However, let's forget about your affairs for a moment in the interest of my own. I've chosen today to tell you, because it is the First Friday that we've both been so faithful to. I've decided to enter the convent, and will be leaving you in a few weeks."

Margaret, in her surprise, stood stock still, while the wind blew her hair and veil and skirts into all kinds of tangles.

"Eleanor Burke!" she exclaimed. "The convent? So soon? Why were you out of school only a couple of years?"

"Even so," was Eleanor's calm answer. "Why not?"

"I shall be so desolate," said Margaret slowly.

"Oh, no," replied Eleanor. "There are many to supply my place. You have not been with me at all lately, yet you're not very desolate. But it's just as well; the weaning will be easier."

Margaret felt the sting of her dear friend's reproach.

"I confess," she answered, "that I have neglected you since I have been going into society so much. But you must believe me, dear, for you know it is true when I say that no one can ever take my exact place in relation to me."

"I do believe that, Margaret, although circumstances have taken us different paths since school days, and now it seems to me our ways are to diverge even more."

"More even than you think," said Margaret pensively. "In return for your confidence, here is mine. I am betrothed to Philip Barnes since last night."

In spite of the balm Margaret had offered her conscience in regard to this engagement, the girl was much troubled but she would not admit it, especially to Eleanor, who tried hard to swerve her from the marriage. Margaret knew that her missing that First Friday Communion was on account of Philip Barnes and the dance she knew that she remained from Holy Hour that evening because it would interfere with Mr. Barnes' plans, and these terms bothered her intensely.

"But we are only just engaged," she told herself.

"I should not be so mandatory about things at first. Everything is sure to come out all right after a while." But, somehow, whenever it was a question of a Church engagement or an appointment with Mr. Barnes, Mr. Barnes won, and Margaret kept postponing the time when she should make him understand that her attitude toward the Church and religious affairs must remain unchanged. It was so much easier to drift, and drift she did, just a wee bit farther away each time. Her mother's worldliness encouraged this course; Mr. Barnes was one of the season's "catches," and many a girl envied Margaret. The girl's father was too busy making money to notice much what she did; so there was no one to remonstrate but Eleanor, who regretted that she must leave her friend in such a crisis but promised to pray for her faithfully.

To Be Continued.

Rt. Rev. Bishop Burke, of Albany, has presented the Church of St. John, Utica, N. Y., with two handsome stained windows, as a memorial to his father, the late Dr. Ulrich Burke. Dr. Burke was prominent in professional and religious circles in Utica half a century ago.

## News From Ireland

**Carlow.**

Messrs. Michael Molloy, M. P., and Thomas Murphy, have been re-elected chairman and vice-chairman, respectively, of the Carlow Urban Council.

**Cork.**

P. E. Keaneally has been elected chairman of the Ennis Urban Council.

The body of an old man named Jeremiah Daly, of Ardara, was found on the sloop near Newcourt, on January 25. On the matter being reported at Skibbereen the police took charge of the body and communicated with the coroner. It appears the deceased, who was a laborer, was missing for two weeks.

**Down.**

Robert McConnell, farmer, of Macorcunningham, while out shooting at Burt, met with a serious accident. His gun went off accidentally, with the result that he got his ankle badly injured.

**Donegal.**

At the opening of Lifford Quarter Sessions, Judge Cook congratulated the jury on the peaceful state of the county.

**Dublin.**

Edmund Beatty, and Matthew King have been re-elected chairman and vice chairman respectively, of Newcastle Urban Council.

Damage to the extent of over £30,000 was done by two fires in Dublin, on January 19, one being the printing works of Messrs. James Walker & Co., and the other the Whitechurch laundry, Fatharnham.

**Kerry.**

The death of Sister Mary Patrick (Keane), aged 40 years, took place in the fever hospital, Tralee, on January 25, after a brief illness. Deceased went out to Listowel to nurse some patients suffering from fever, and contracted the disease, which had fatal results. The deceased was sister to Dr. Keatt, Annascaul.

**King's.**

A sum of \$2,000 has been subscribed to the funds for the new Catholic church in Edenderry.

**Kilkenny.**

Alderman Purcell, a staunch Nationalist, has been elected mayor of Kilkenny.

Matthew Dunne, who completed forty-three years' service in the employment of the Great Southern and Western Railway company, thirty-nine years of which were spent as station master at Thofas town, has retired on pension. He has been succeeded by his son, Leo Dunne, who was formerly on the clerical staff at Waterford station.

**Queens.**

The Commissioners propose re-instating seven evicted tenants on the untenanted lands in Corrawn and Kyledellig, and dividing the remainder—something like 250 acres—amongst the uneconomic holders in the locality.

**Rosecommon.**

The Elphin Town tenants have passed a resolution calling on Arthur O'Connor to lodge the maps of the Palace, Shankill and Killoey grazing farms with the Congested District Board, so that arrangements may be made to allow the tenants to purchase.

**Sligo.**

Alderman D. O'Donnell has been re-elected Mayor of Sligo.

**Tipperary.**

A verdict of accidental death was returned at an inquest held by Dr. Meagher at Milltown House, Shinrone, on Morton White Spuner, who was killed while pheasant shooting on January 24.

**Westmeath.**

John Gavin, West House, Rochford Bridge, a brother of Dr. Laurence Gavin, resident medical superintendent of Mullingar district asylum, has been co-opted a member of the Mullingar rural council.

## Catholic News Notes

A mission recently given in the Gesù Church, Philadelphia, was very successful. Of the 3000 present, 640 had to be seated in the sanctuary. About 35 converts were received.

It came as a shock to the Catholic people of Des Moines when they were apprised of the death of Rev. Daniel Molyneux, former assistant pastor of St. John's Church and later chaplain at St. Joseph's Academy, Des Moines. His death occurred at Mercy Hospital, Council Bluffs, from peritonitis, following an operation for appendicitis.

Mr. Tribel, a New York sculptor, was converted in Rome last month.

Rev. Andrew Arnold Lambing, LL. D., rector of St. James Church, Wilkensburg, Pa., rounded out lately the seventieth year of his age. The Scriptural score and ten and the distinguished clergyman hale and hearty with the prospect of added years for the continuance of his fruitful work in the ministry and the cause of temperance.

At a meeting of the Catholic Social Union of St. Peter and Paul's Church recently, the advisability of establishing a Catholic daily newspaper in Milwaukee was discussed. The project, which was first proposed at the previous meeting, is favorably regarded by the organization. No definite steps toward putting the plan into effect have been taken.

Delegates representing seventeen Irish Catholic societies held a meeting a few days ago in Lowell, Mass., and decided not to parade on St. Patrick's Day. This organization also voted that the members receive Holy Communion in a body in their parish churches on Sunday, March 17.

The University of California has this year 20 students in its Celtic Department.

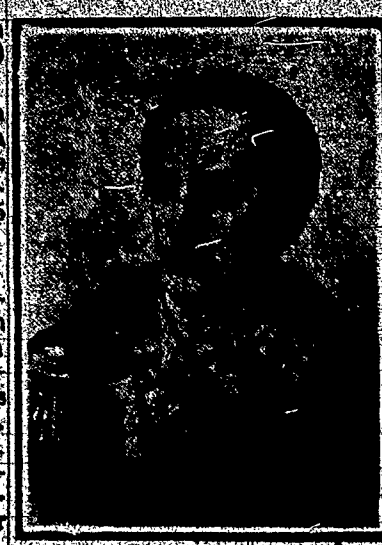
A Catholic College for boys and young men is assured for Sioux City, Iowa. It will be under the direction of the Third Order of St. Francis. Work on the buildings will be begun within a few weeks and it is expected to have the first building completed in time to open the college next fall.

At St. James' Church, Baltimore, Md., unique celebration took place recently, when three Redemptorist Fathers celebrated their silver jubilees of ordination. The jubiliarians, all well-known priests of the Order, are Rev. Henry J. Otterbein, rector of the church; Rev. Pancratius Schmidt and Rev. Theodorus George.

The De Paul Institute of the Sisters of Charity at Brookline, Pittsburg, for Deaf Mutes, ranks fourth of all the non-State schools for the deaf in this country.

The National President of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, James J. Regan, has called upon the Order to receive Holy Communion in a body on St. Patrick's Day as a public profession of faith and loyalty.

The crisis awaits the Church in Catholic Belgium this year. The Catholic Party is in grave and uncertain conflict with the Liberal Socialist coalition whose outcome the approaching elections will determine.



Robert Emmet

Emmet Guards

Robert Emmet, one of Ireland's martyred patriots, whose birthday March 6th, will be observed on Tuesday evening, March 5th, in this city by the Emmet Guards.

Weather permitting, there will be a parade through the downtown streets, after which all will gather to the A. O. H. hall where some prominent speakers will make the remainder of the evening interesting.

All should do their utmost to be present on an occasion like this to show their spirit of patriotism and love for our Mother Country, and to do honor to that noble young hero who gave his life for his country's cause.

Brothers!

Acting in accordance to the ruling of our Constitution I hereby order all members of the Emmet Guards to appear at Headquarters 193 Main St. W. on Tuesday evening, March 5th, at 7:30 wearing full dress uniform to participate in the annual parade in honor of the birth of Robert Emmet. The parade will be prevented only by the inclemency of the weather.

P. J. Mackey, Captain

## The Water's Violin

There is a very interesting water in one of the Chicago Clubs, who has a hobby and a talent for the making of violins.

When off duty he spends his time in a part of his room that he has turned into a work-shop, designing and making the violins, with his own hands. He will not, however, sell his pets. He loves them too much to put a money value on them, so he brings a great many of them over to the Catholic Church Extension Society in the McCormick Building, and has them sent to lonely missionary priests who love music. Quite a number of missionaries have been presented through the Society, with violins in this way.

A few months ago a missionary in New Mexico wrote to the Society asking assistance in some form for the building of a church. The Society was perfectly willing to make a donation; but just as one of the Secretaries was answering the missionary's letter, who walked into the office but "the violin maker." The Secretary had an idea at once and showed the letter to his visitor, who promptly said: "I will send him a violin, and perhaps he will be able to realize something on it. I want my violins to work for the glory of God."

The missionary took the violin and made \$100.00 from it. He hopes soon to begin working on his new chapel, for the Society is going to help him in that. Another missionary used four violins for his missions. From one he realized \$120.

The violin maker is delighted that his spare time work is producing such good results. Father Faber in his "All for Jesus" urges us to carry on every action in life for the honor and glory of God. This man, who in the afternoon and evenings, is a waiter and in his spare time a violin maker of no mean ability, seems to be carrying out Father Faber's idea better than most of us. It is worth noting too that the Church Extension Society people, keep on discovering original methods and means to bring help to the lonely missionary. We know they

were glad to get old people and had turned into a lot of old children. But the money for the missionary work of the Church is, perhaps, now being spent as it was.

## Rank of Churches

Catholic: St. Matthews, 1, 1/2; St. A. Liberman, 1, 1/2.

Dr. H. K. Carroll is the assistant church census man usually about this time. He comes out with his periodic figures. Here is his summary of the largest denominations in 1910.

Catholic: 1,175,000; Protestant: 1,175,000; Baptist: 1,175,000; Methodist: 1,175,000; Episcopal: 1,175,000; Lutheran: 1,175,000; Presbyterian: 1,175,000; United Methodist: 1,175,000; Christian: 1,175,000; Evangelical: 1,175,000; Reformed: 1,175,000; Dutch: 1,175,000; Scandinavian: 1,175,000; Anglican: 1,175,000; Non-Confessional: 1,175,000.

The figures represent the actual church census, and are not the total population of the church. The total increase for 1910, 1,000 members, 2,000,000, and 1,000,000 compared with 1910.

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The losses by death, exclusion, etc., must be larger than formerly, and the gathering through the school revivals, etc., are smaller. The net increase for the decade ending with 1910 was about 785,000.

Vatican Pass Has On... A Rome dispatch states that the congregation of the Vatican has issued a decree forbidding the placing of the books on the index expurgatorius. "Ancient History of the Church," by Mgr. Duchesne, a member of the French Academy, the director of the French episcopal school at Rome, "Lectures to His Holiness, Pius X," "Modernism," published in Chicago in 1910, and the "History of Modernism in New England," also by "Modernism" and issued at Boston in 1911.

Temple Theater

The headliner at the Temple Theater next week will be Marion Littlefield, presenting the "Florentine Singers," Jack Wilson Co., a 1912 Revue. Will also share in this field as will Claude Gillin, water and his company in "Strenuous Rehearsal." The other acts are: Lolo, the celebrated "Ladder," The Six "Novelty Gymnastic Performance," "Dick Lynch, The Travesty of "Herbert's Dogs" (for the Children and Pathe Weekly). Current events.

## Weekly Church Calendar

2nd Sunday in Lent

G. Transfiguration of Our Lord  
3—St. Aster  
4—St. Nestor  
5—St. John Joe.  
6—St. Felice  
7—St. Thomas Aquin.  
8—The Holy Shroud  
9—St. Frances of Rome