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An Idyl of Natal

Down the long slope of the hill crowned by the Convent of Maria Stella, in the fairest of South African seaports, we strolled, a happy group of friends. Most of us had come to know each other in war time, when homes were forsaken and households broken up, and our common trial had drawn us together. But it was not this fact which had made our friendship the beautiful thing it had come to mean for all of us. It was the bond of common faith. With each and all of us the Catholic Church was the first, the supreme concern. Man or woman, married or single, each of us knew and trusted the other, and so our affection deepened until it became that exquisite type of friendship which is only to be found within the Church. As the highest development of the detached and celibate life, contemplative or active, and the most perfect presentation of the married state are only possible within Her fold, so also it is true that Catholic friendships are of a fibre and quality utterly unknown, and indeed unattainable, outside Her portals. When any of us allowed ourselves to reflect upon it, it carried us back to medieval times before the Paganism of the Renaissance, and the hateful heresies of the Reformation had banished so much of joy from European life. Yes, farther back still, to the flawless friendship of that house at Ephesus, where the Beloved Disciple took our Mother Mary to his own home.

On all subjects we conversed freely, but chiefest and most happily of course, of the things of God; of our Blessed Lord and the impassioned love of the Sacred Heart for men, of our dear Lady, of our favorite saints, of philosophy, poetry, art and science. It seemed, indeed at times, as if our Lord Himself, His Blessed Mother and the Disciple of Love were in person members of our happy group. No unworthy or ignoble thought shadowed our intercourse. Our love for each other was lucid as the white dawn of a morning in Paradise.

That day there were seven of us, and our circle seldom numbered more. Without being selfish we were sufficient for each other. There were Arthur Palliser and his wife, Margaret Brougham also married, whose husband held a commission in a volunteer regiment and was absent at the front; Edith Southwell, Stanislaus Wilnot, Francis Barwood and myself, John Searle.

As we strolled we stopped from time to time to admire the bewitching beauty of the scene spread beneath. The city lay at our feet, with its towers and spires, the most beautiful object there being the tower of our beloved church of St. Joseph. Beyond lay the sparkling waters of the bay and in the background the bold outline of the Bluff. To our left the Indian Ocean rolled landward with majestic swell.

"Just think, the most interesting piece of news I had to tell you all, I have forgotten until now," broke in Winifred Palliser.

"I think I know what it is," said Edith, "but no one has told me."

"Well, don't keep us in suspense, Mrs. Palliser, said Wilnot.

"It is just this," she went on, "Father Baudry told me this morning that he had had a visit from Louise Mercier, and she wishes to be received into the Church."

"Hurrah, hurrah, I knew it would come. I knew it would come," said Edith, clapping her hands. "I have been praying for it so long."

"Yes," said Palliser, "you generally seem to get what you ask for. How do you manage it?"

"Oh, you know how: I have often told you."

"Yes, I think you are a little schemer with the saints. They never seem able to say no to you. You positively bully them into granting you favors. You promise a Mass or a candle, and you tell them that if you do not get what you ask for there will be no Mass and no candle. So, of course

they must give in."

"Oh, now you are teasing. Come to my rescue, Frank," said Edith turning to her fiancé.

"Well," said Frank, "I don't see why we should not treat our saints like the friends and brothers and sisters that they are. I know my own life has been happier since you made me see it that way."

"Well, Wimpie," said Palliser, "let us have more details. We all know a little about Louise and we have always liked her. Now that she is becoming one of us we must know more."

"Father Baudry told me," replied his wife, "that Louise, though still a young woman, has had a wonderful career. Born in France of infidel parents, she went at an early age to England, where she became an Anglican and worked for some years in the east end of London. Her health gave way and she came out here, where as you know it has been restored. She knows seven languages, including Hebrew, and has studied deeply in philosophy. In fact, some of her questions were so searching that good Father Baudry told me he had to look up his theology again in order to answer them."

To be continued

"To Work is to Pray"

Plans for the establishing of small industrial centers all over the United States for the betterment of the negro is the pet scheme of the Rev. John E. Burke, Director General of Negro Missions of the United States with National Headquarters on the sixth floor of the Metropolitan Building, 1 Madison Avenue, New York. This indefatigable worker for the welfare of the negro is enthused over the idea and has received the encouragement of the Catholic Hierarchy. According to the Rev. Director to preach industry, thrift, economy and conscientious attending to the material matters of life is an important feature of the Divine mission to preach "the gospel to every creature." Owing to the lack of funds the establishing of these industrial centers is still in a tentative stage. There are many reasons in favor of small schools instead of one large industrial center.

But as Father Burke observed if we could only get the small centers, the big center would follow as a matter of course. It is an acknowledged fact that if the negro cause is to prosper these industrial schools must be established to complete the work of the Church in making the negro a good Catholic and a credit to the state. There are only two hundred thousand Catholic negroes in a population of over ten millions in the United States. Already these two hundred thousand souls have shown by their lives and example what can be accomplished. Given the advantage of our holy religion the ten millions would become a great factor in the Church and no longer would the name of negro be a reproach or a blot on the morality of the State—as many hold.

Father Burke is the originator of the one hundred thousand dollar fund for the support of Catholic negro schools and missions.

American Bishops to Rome

Next year, 1913, is the period fixed for the "ad limina" visits of American bishops to the Eternal City. Every Bishop is obliged to visit Rome at certain intervals to give an account of his administration to the Holy Father. Until recently, bishops were obliged to visit Rome only every ten years, and they were free to choose the year when they would make their visits "ad limina" to the tombs of the Apostles, SS. Peter and Paul. They are now obliged to visit Rome at the end of five year periods, beginning with 1913.

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News From Ireland

Ashtown.
The citizens of Belfast, headed by the Lord Mayor, raised a fund of over \$15,000 for the relatives of those who were lost on the Titanic.

Armagh.
A silver tea service, and clock have been presented to Mrs. Jane O'Hare, Silverwood, National schools, Lurgan, by past and present pupils, as a mark of appreciation of her services during a period of thirty-nine years.

Carlow.
On April 14, in the thirteenth year of her religious profession, Sister Mary Patrick Hayes, daughter of the late Daniel Hayes, Thurles, passed peacefully away at the Presentation Convent, Bagnalstown.

Cavan.
On the morning of April 19 an old woman named Cooke, aged 86 with her son and the latter's wife and child, were evicted from a holding on the Farnham estate at Portionfield, near Killeshandra.

Clara.
The death has taken place of Mrs. P. Carey, Cappa, Kilmursh.

Cork.
Alderman O'Shea, a United Irish Leaguer, was elected Lord Mayor of Cork, in succession to Alderman Simcox, who resigned the office.

Dougal.
The priests and people of Malinthead have started the erection of a new meeting hall to be known as St. Mary's Hall.

Dublin.
The death of the Rev. John Scanton, C. C., took place at his residence at Terenure, Dublin, on April 23.

Kerry.
Rev. Father Crimmins, parish priest of Abbeydorney since 1894 died on April 22. Deceased was born in Liverpool on October 4, 1842.

Limerick.
Dr. Wm. F. N. O'Loughlin, the senior surgeon of the S. S. Titanic, and who went down with that steamer on April 15, was born in Tralee. He was second son of the late Wm. O'Loughlin, Kilkenny.

There has been admitted to Thomastown workhouse recently a man named Patrick Ryan, Piercestown, Thomastown, who has attained the wonderful age of 112 years.

Lettistin.
John Anderson, an employee of H. J. Clements, D. L., Ryan, near Mohill, was engaged in cutting hay from a hayrick when the rick collapsed, burying him beneath it. When extricated he was found to be dead, the medical evidence at the inquest showing that his neck had been broken.

Limerick.
The death took place recently of Miss Catherine Hartigan, daughter of John Hartigan of Caherrilly, and sister of Rev. John Hartigan, Strawberry Point, Iowa and Rev. Michael Hartigan, Clinton, Iowa.

Longford.
Much regret was caused in Longford and district by the demise of Mrs. Teresa J. McCann, wife of J. F. McCann, clerk of Longford Union. Her death took place April 21.

Louth.
With painful suddenness the death took place in Dundalk on April 21 at the age of 59 of W. M. Patterson, a leading business man of the town.

Mayo.
Early on April 24, the saw and corn mills belonging to Lawrence O'Brien, Hazelhill, Ballyhaunis, were completely gutted. The damage is only partly covered by insurance.

Queens.
Mathew Costigan, a farmer residing at Clonad, has succumbed to tetanus, brought on by a fractured leg which he sustained by a fall.

Sligo.
Patrick Connolly, Dromore West, has been elected clerk of the Union by the Dromore Guardians.

Catholic News Notes

Rev. Brother Christian, whose death occurred a few days ago in La Salle Academy, New York, was one of the best known members of the Order of Christian Brothers in the United States. He twice served as provincial of the Baltimore district, as well as a state of Boston, Mass., and a district of New York. He was born in Canada in 1844 and entered the order in 1861.

On the 21st inst., Holy Cross College at Worcester, Mass., gave a reception to its six Bishops and six Monsignori, who are alumni of the institution.

Quite a unique baptismal ceremony was witnessed recently in Mt. Carmel Church, Mill Valley, Cal., when both a Jew and Pagan were received into the Church. Chester Eschele, aged 24 years, was baptized, taking the name of Jacob. Kotaro Uyeda, aged 31 years, took the name of Joseph. Both had been eight months under religious instruction.

The Sisters of Charity, known as Gray Nuns, will open a novitiate in the diocese of Toledo, this autumn; it will be their first in this country.

Rev. John Murphy, assistant pastor of St. Anthony Church, Des Moines, Iowa, will celebrate Mass every Sunday in the chapel at Fort Des Moines. There are nearly three hundred Catholic soldiers, including the cavalry, at this fort.

The Church is gaining ground in Oregon. At Eugene, the Sisters of Mercy recently purchased the Eugene General Hospital, one of the best equipped institutions of its kind on the coast. At Canby, the Catholics have bought the Methodist Church, which will be remodeled, while at Cowallis, Archbishop Chute lately dedicated a handsome new church, which is entirely free from debt.

On July 2nd Very Rev. John P. Michaels will succeed the Very Rev. Dr. Te Pas, who retires because of advancing years, as rector of St. Mary's Seminary, Cleveland.

The new Church of St. Catherine will be built in Elizabeth, N. J., by Thomas Fitzpatrick, who also donated the site. It will cost \$100,000 and will be a memorial to his wife.

Cardinal Farley has approved the formation of local branches of the Boy Scouts of America in the parishes within his jurisdiction, and appointed Father Hughes, a member of the faculty of the Cathedral College, to supervise the branch that will be attached to the Cathedral parish.

The Church is rapidly expanding in Denver, Colo. Within the year three new parishes have been founded. The latest, St. Catherine, has just been organized in the northern part of the city. It is in charge of the Rev. Wm. W. Ryan.

The Franciscan Fathers of Dubuque, Ia., have begun work on their new monastery, to be erected near Holy Trinity Church. At the same time they will complete the unfinished part of the church proper. The whole will cost \$25,000.

It is said the Sisters of the Poor of St. Francis will build in Cincinnati next year a million dollar hospital. The Sisters have already about 25 hospitals in the United States.

Rev. Father Pietro Benedetti, of the Congregation of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, has been appointed director of the official bulletin, Acta S. Apostolicæ Sedis.

Cardinal Fischer, Archbishop of Cologne, is convalescing at the St. Marie Hospital at Aix-la-Chapelle.

Goldstein Versus Socialism

Pursuant to an invitation issued by a committee of the business men of the city of Minot, North Dakota, Mr. David Goldstein, of Boston, Mass., delivered a series of three lectures in that city, recently.

In his first lecture, Mr. Goldstein considered the relation of Socialism to the Family, and conclusively demonstrated that the triumph of socialism would mean the destruction and disappearance of the Christian family.

The second lecture was upon the relation of socialism to religion and it was amply shown by the lecturer that socialism and religion are atheistic and cannot be reconciled with the doctrine of Christian religion.

In his third lecture, Mr. Goldstein pointed out the true meaning of conservative Trades Unionism and the dangerous and destructive influence of socialism in relation to trades unions.

The lectures were well attended by large and appreciative audiences and the effect has been most wholesome. The socialists have been very active in this vicinity spreading their doctrine without check, but Mr. Goldstein successfully brought them from a gallop to a walk.

Sound thinking and right living people in this portion of the state of North Dakota feel highly gratified at the results and because of the magnificent and remarkable showing made by Mr. Goldstein.

A local socialist champion, in the course of a wholly insulting communication, challenged Mr. Goldstein to debate the proposition that "Socialism is opposed to the Christian Family and to Religion." His challenge was accepted with such expedition that he sought every avenue of escape, but the matter had been so well advertised, and his abusive methods had so committed him that public pressure became too great and avoidance of the issue was impossible. Accordingly, on Sunday April 28th, before an audience of some two thousand five hundred people, gathered from the entire surrounding country, a joint debate was held upon the foregoing proposition. Intense interest was displayed in all quarters. Mr. Goldstein proved to be a most worthy debater and a master of the subject ready at all times to meet, analyze and disprove the propositions advanced by his socialist opponent.

The contentions of the socialist representative consisted largely of personal abuse of Mr. Goldstein and the local committee and also vilification of the Catholic Church, but the fact that he had met an opponent worthy, and more than worthy of his steel, was conclusively shown, when he failed to occupy the time allotted him in which to speak. One by one his points were taken up, taken apart and shattered by Goldstein, whose ready knowledge, apt citations and sound judgment of evidence overwhelmed the advocate of socialism. It was in truth a socialist Waterloo. The hundreds who attended the debate came away with a better understanding of the real principals of this false philosophy.

An opportunity to hear Mr. Goldstein upon any phase of the subject of socialism should not be lost, as he is undoubtedly the most advanced and scientific analyst of this doctrine upon the lecture platform in this country today. His work in Minot was most successful and the results obtained will be permanent.

Weekly Church Calendar

2nd Sunday after Pentecost

G The Great Supper, Luke 14
S 9—St. Julian
M 10—St. Margaret
T 11—St. Felix
W 12—St. John Facundus
T 13—St. Anthony of Padua
F 14—Sacred Heart of Jesus
S 15—St. Vitus M.

Chicago

Chicago, Ill., June 7, 1912. (Special Cablegram to the Catholic Journal, New York, N. Y., June 7, 1912.)

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Bishop Lillis on Catholic Boy Scouts

The Bishop of Chicago, Most Reverend Cardinal Lillis, has expressed his approval of the Catholic Boy Scouts of America. He has written to the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America, expressing his confidence in the organization and its aims. He has also expressed his desire that the Catholic Church should have a larger share in the education and training of the youth of the country.

The Bishop's approval of the Catholic Boy Scouts is a significant step towards the unification of the youth of the country. It shows that the Catholic Church is interested in the education and training of the youth, and is willing to cooperate with other organizations in this work.

The Catholic Boy Scouts of America is a national organization of Catholic boys, which was founded in 1909. It is a part of the Boy Scouts of America, which is a national organization of boys. The Catholic Boy Scouts of America is dedicated to the education and training of Catholic boys, and to the promotion of the Catholic faith among them.

Donation Day

Donation Day for the St. Joseph's Home was held Wednesday, June 6th, and Thursday, June 7th, at the Convention Hall. The day was a great success, and the amount of money raised was \$1,000.00. The money will be used for the maintenance of the home, and for the education of the children.

The St. Joseph's Home is a charitable institution for the care of the aged and infirm. It was founded in 1850, and has since that time been a source of comfort and care for many of the poor and needy of the city. The home is located at 1234 N. Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill.

Among those in charge were Mrs. Michael Doyle, Mrs. J. Murphy, Mrs. Dennis Dowd, Mrs. Harry Hermanson, Mrs. C. Colbert, of 1151 Park St., chairman of lines and Mrs. J. Jaynes of Aveill Ave., treasurer and decorations. Many other women interested in the success of the donation day, and their appreciation of the work of the young women in charge of the home, were present.

It was said by Mrs. J. Jaynes, one of the ladies in charge, that the \$1,000 raised would be a great help to the home.