

Peace, Be Still!

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[Continued from last week]

"Thank heavens! I guess we have some clue here." Then he said to Thomas, "put that in your pocket and take out your revolver and stay outside while we search the garage. We may encounter a desperate character. Hold on to that book." Telling Raymond and Bernard to do the same, only stationing each man at a different angle, he and the other detective took the key Raymond had given him and softly opened the door to the garage. Not a sound was heard except the deep breathing of two sleepers. As the detectives drew closer, they saw the form of a man who was not undressed. Just then Bernard came in to turn on the light, if wanted. It was a fortunate thing he did, for the detectives would have their hands full. As soon as the light was turned on, the sleeping men started up and involuntarily their hands turned to grasp their revolvers, but they were covered. In an instant Raymond recognized Roman as the one who was not undressed. They could not make any resistance with three revolvers pointed at them. Both men were securely handcuffed, and while waiting for the patrol the head detective questioned Roman who was so chagrined he offered no resistance at all. He would not answer a word. When Thomas recognized Roman, he said, "well, you old hypocrite, I knew you were no good."

"No good," shouted Roman, "I'll show you. You trusting snivelling baby, you! The whole lot of you-Americans are only like babies."

"Heavens, how I wish I could blaze at you a little bit, you coward! but I would be just like you, if I did. We Americans will teach you to be human and respect human life by example and honor. But if you will not profit by example and human dealings, why Uncle Sam will give you a darn good whalloping." Then he held up the book he found, saying, "maybe you would like this little powder box?" with a tantalizing grin.

When Roman saw it he could hardly be held. He said something to the gardener in an undertone. "Oh, this isn't all, you cur!" Thomas was in a rage. The detectives could not help smiling and would not interfere. "Why," they said, "the lad has got more out of him than if we were trying for a whole week." Bernard had to stop Thomas. "Oh," he exclaimed, "if I could only thrash him, I'm sure I would feel better." "Cool off, now my boy, you may have a chance yet," the detective said, as they were placing the spys in the charge of the officers.

When they opened the book, what a discovery! Maps of all our transports and so many of our naval wireless stations, and a secret code. When Thomas learned of the wireless his enthusiasm knew no bounds. He spent his whole time at the main wireless station. Away up in the highest cupola of their home he had wireless apparatus placed so he could catch many messages that came on his wave. Wireless is to-day one of the greatest sciences and a wonderful study. Raymond also decided to take up the study of it, saying, "I may use it for our dear Uncle Sam. Indeed, Thomas had all the family up in the tower many nights listening to the many wonderful waves and different vibrations.

Thomas and Raymond received a phone call from the detective the next day, saying, "I wish to see you to-day at three o'clock, can you come, and without a car?"

am asking you to do this." "Now Thomas, get your wireless in tune with any or all, if you can, of those of Long Island Sound, and report to me what you hear, and speedily as possible."

"I thank you for this confidence, sir, and I will do my best," Thomas said. And it did not take him long to get in touch with the wireless. He seemed to be tireless in his eagerness to catch any message which might help our cause. One afternoon about 5:30 he and Raymond had been intent listening when Thomas caught these words, "Transport 'Lincoln' leaves to-morrow at eleven. It did not take very long for the quick time he communicated with the captain who was in command with fifteen hundred of our boys, and the boat was to leave at eleven. But instead of starting out at eleven, they went out at five in the morning and were escorted by two of our dashing chasers. When Thomas learned it all he whirled his hat in the air and thanked God for the wireless.

"Now, Thomas," the detective said, "keep up your watch until we catch the others, for I know there are more in that crowd. Let me know anything you hear that will help us." He also asked Raymond if he would go to Long Island Sound and mingle with the fashionable set and observe both men and women. "Appear to be indifferent to the war, as though you were not much interested one way or the other. Listen for remarks and signs and follow them up closely. Give me the slightest clue you may get at once." Raymond was as delighted as Thomas was in his work. On the third day of Raymond's stay at one of the best hotels on the Sound, he saw a fine looking fellow watch him very closely at lunch. Raymond appeared not to notice him at all, but when they walked into the smoking room, the stranger managed to speak. They talked on different topics. Raymond appeared quite disinterested as if war or rumors of war could not affect him. As they sat there another gentleman came up and rejoined them and began to smoke, but with a nervousness that he could not conceal, and after a very few minutes, he gave the other a peculiar sign which Raymond saw in the mirror. In a few minutes both men went out and as they did, a third man met them outside. Raymond felt sure they were the men he was after. Immediately he called up the two detectives who were sent with him. When they came into Raymond's room, he told them, "I am sure," he said, "they are the ones who sent the wireless," and described each one, telling them to inform the policemen to be ready for action at any moment. After dinner that night Raymond was surprised when the bell-boy handed him a note. It was from the head detective telling him to come up at once to Room 52. Raymond walked out as if nothing unusual was going on, but he fairly flew upstairs and told the detective what he knew and that the three suspects were at the table then. "I must see them," the detective said, "without being seen."

"You can, as they sit just opposite the palms." As he looked, he exclaimed, "whew, we've got them! You see that one with the scar on his cheek; well, he is a bad one; we have been after him for a long time. He it was that caused so much trouble in Chicago among the working men, and we suspect him of something else, and the others are like him. We will land them all to-night."

Thomas caught another wireless, saying, "two transports are loaded with munitions and foodstuffs. Will let you know the hour as quick as we hear it." This was true as the two ships were ready to depart. The spies were watched every moment until two in the morning when they drove singly to a very pretty home far up on the rocks from the crowd. That night the whole three were caught. No one was harmed, but one of the Irish policemen, who caught one of the men as he was sliding down a tree from the roof.

"Yes, sir; you may; and anything you wish me to do, I will do it faithfully."

"I know it, and that's why I am asking you to do this." "Now Thomas, get your wireless in tune with any or all, if you can, of those of Long Island Sound, and report to me what you hear, and speedily as possible."

REFLECTED LIGHT FROM THE "DARK AGES"

Double-Entry Book-keeping the Fruit of the Labors of a Mediaeval Friar.

Critics of the Middle Ages are as numerous as the vast army of those who have but a smattering of learning, without having acquired an intelligent knowledge of History, Literature or Science. Such critics deserve no serious consideration, since, as Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler has it, they only "invite attention to the limitations of their knowledge and sympathy." In his treatise on "Philosophy," Dr. Butler points out the wonderful accomplishments of those ages in Science, Education, the Drama, Jurisprudence, Art and Architecture, and social and political development, and rightly contends that no age may be termed "dark" which reflects so much light in so many fields of accomplishment.

Those who thoughtlessly or intentionally disparage the accomplishments of that remarkable period of history have frequently been shown the error of their ways. Yet the truth can not be told or corroborated too often, nor can there be any harm in recalling, from time to time, the debt we owe in many things to the men who lived and toiled in those days. It is an interesting fact that one of the most valuable systems of modern business control, double-entry bookkeeping, is the fruit of the thought and labors of a poor friar of the Fifteenth Century. Thus it is evident that even in its own particular sphere, in the science of "business," the modern world has been obliged to sit at the feet of a religious of that age which is so frequently condemned as having been impractical and backward in those things which count for so much in our day—Industry, Commerce and Finance.

Two remarkable facts are brought out in this connection by the Manchester [Eng.] Guardian of some weeks ago. The one refers to the origin of the system mentioned, the other is the surprising circumstance, that a very important Department of the British Government until recently had not yet adopted this system for the purpose of keeping its accounts. The "Guardian" writes: "The statement by Sir W. L. Evans that the Ministry of Munitions has only just adopted 'double-entry' bookkeeping is surprising, as the system is by no means modern and is now generally adopted by large business concerns. It is supposed to have had its origin among the mercantile communities of Italy in the fifteenth century, and has become known as the 'Italian method'. One of the earliest exponents was a Minorite monk (friar) named Luca de Burgo (or Pacio) who published a treatise on the subject in Venice in 1494. The method was arranged on so scientific a basis that few alterations have been found necessary in the subsequent evolution of commercial transactions."

Both facts brought out by the "Guardian" are significant. The achievement of the friar de Burgo gains in significance, however, when we consider that the highest claims of the Middle Ages to recognition by posterity are not based on any extraordinary accomplishments in the field of industry, commerce and finance, but rather on the lofty idealism of those ages which pervaded the thought of the people, determined their practices and found expression in their institutions. Hence such a signal example of superior achievement in the basic requirements of business is all the more worthy of serious appreciation. It illustrates not only the ability and painstaking labor of the individual religious, but also the practical business sense of a people and an age so frequently derided as having been estranged by religious influences from a practical philosophy of life.

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The service flag of the Mission of the Immaculate Conception, New York, has 300 stars.

CORNER STONE OF COHOCTON CHURCH IS LAID.

Large Crowd Witness Ceremonies.

Cohocton, July 9.—The largest throng ever gathered at church ceremonies in the town of Cohocton was present last Sunday afternoon at the laying of the corner stone of St. Pius Church in this village, when more than one mile of space was required in which to park the automobiles alone.

The ritual ceremonies were impressively conducted by Rt. Rev. Thomas F. Hickey, D. D., bishop of the Rochester diocese, in which this parish has been since 1896, when it was transferred from the Buffalo diocese. The bishop was assisted by the pastor, Rev. John F. Gefell, and priests from Rochester and nearby parishes. The ceremonies consisted of the chanting of psalms by the priests, with the Litany of the Saints and the singing of the hymn "Veni Creator Spiritus".

The contents of the copper box which was enclosed in the corner stone at the southeast corner of the building, were the names of Pope Benedict, Bishop Hickey, Rev. John F. Gefell, pastor of the church, Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States, Governor Charles S. Whitman, Clarence W. Stanton, president of the village of Cohocton, and a copy of the "Cohocton Valley Times Index", of July 3, 1918.

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Full particulars regarding this exceptional offer may be obtained by addressing The Guilford Organ School, at 44 W. 12th Street, New York City.

FOUR PRIESTS ARE WANTED

From This Diocese For Chaplains

Four more Catholic priests from the diocese of Rochester soon will be commissioned as chaplains in the army. Bishop Thomas F. Hickey said Monday evening that he had received a request from the government asking that four more priests from this diocese be released for work with the soldiers and sailors. Bishop Hickey has made the recommendations and has sent in the names of the men. The government officials will now act upon the names, and if the priests pass the physical examinations they will be assigned to duty.

The diocese of Rochester already has sent four young priests into service. One of them is overseas at the present time, and the other three are stationed in the camps and cantonments in this country.

K. of C. Secretaries Now in France

News of the arrival in France of fifty Knights of Columbus secretaries received in New York will give impetus to the campaign to raise 2,000 additional field secretaries for overseas service. The Knights will have 1,000 secretaries in active service in Europe before September 15. The order will send 200 men this month. Those secretaries are now in training in American camps.

New York State League

Starts Drive to

Raise \$10,000

Central-Verein Campaign For \$100,000 Fund.

"One Hundred Thousand or More" is the slogan of the Central Verein, which is at present in co-operation with the National Catholic War Council, conducting a nation-wide campaign to raise an adequate fund for the equipment and support of Catholic chaplains and for the distribution of sound literature among the enlisted men, as well as for the establishment of Catholic libraries in various camps. The New York State League affiliated with the Central Verein has set ten thousand dollars or more as its goal and proposes to raise this sum during the month of July.

On the occasion of the formation of the National Catholic War Council, and upon request of the latter, the Central Verein offered its co-operation and pledged itself to maintain a number of field chaplains and also to supply sound literature to our Catholic young men. In the latter endeavor, a great deal has already been accomplished and considerably more will be done in the future. Cardinals Gibbons and O'Connell and a large number of prelates have highly recommended this phase of the work, and even from men in official positions words of approval have come unsolicited. Thus the following acknowledgment has been received from the Surgeon-General of the United States Army:

"The interest your organization is taking in this matter, and your effort to educate our young men along lines of right living are certainly commendable."

In order to make good its promise, the Central Verein requires a substantial fund, the preliminary estimate being reckoned at one hundred thousand dollars. Every State League has been impetioned to contribute in proportion to its membership. State Leagues such as those in Pennsylvania, Missouri, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Michigan, Texas, Arkansas, Kansas, Oregon, California, North and South Dakota, are already at work and are accomplishing good results.

At the sessions of the executive committee of the New York State League in Albany, June 8th and 9th, it was resolved to raise a minimum of ten thousand dollars in the State. Most of the affiliated societies are not in a position to contribute considerable sums; and the League must, therefore, appeal to all Catholics of the State. It is consequently proposed to conduct a systematic campaign in the entire State. The purpose of the campaign is of such a lofty nature and of such great importance as to give the Executive Committee the assurance that the goal fixed will not only be reached, but even surpassed.

The local federations, or, in absence of the latter, the individual societies, will determine the method of operation of this campaign. Workers in the campaign will receive special authorization and are expected to introduce themselves to the reverend clergy. "The State League," says President Charles Korz, "is in honor bound to come to the assistance of the Central Verein, so that the latter may make good its pledge to the National Catholic War Council. No Catholic will lag behind when the souls of our youth and their eternal life are at stake. This noble missionary work among our soldiers ought to recommend itself to the charity of all Catholics, particularly those of German descent.

His Eminence, Cardinal Farley, has settled down for a summer of quiet work and much needed rest at Mamaroneck, L. I. His health is much improved.

On Independence Day, he motored over to Ossining to spend the day at Maryknoll, the American Foreign Mission Seminary, which is within the limits of the Archdiocese of New York.

Late News of Ireland

CARLOW.

T. O'Toole has sent to the Irish Daily Independent a sample of coal, a seam of which (11-2 feet and 2 feet) he has discovered at Rossmore (2 miles from Carlow). It belongs to the great Killeslin coal field, which is shortly going to be worked. It is an excellent sulphurless smokeless coal.

Died—May 22, at his residence, Ballyrughan, Borris, Patrick Byrne. Interred at St. Mullins.

The death has occurred of Rev. J. O'Hea, P. P., Leap (Cork) who had ministered for thirty years in the diocese of Ross.

Walter Callan, who was a member of the secretariat of the Irish Convention, has resumed duty as R. M. for East Cork.

The death is announced in a Dublin nursing home, of Dr. R. A. G. F. Dowdall, chief resident medical officer, Mountjoy prison, for over twenty years. His health broke down completely a few months ago, and the Visiting Justices recently granted him a month's special leave. Deceased figured prominently as a witness during the inquest on the late Thomas Ashe.

Rev. M. J. Jeffcot, P. P., of Meriton, Ontario, who has died, was a native of Dingle.

The committee of the Tralee Gaelic League decided to postpone their annual Feis on the ground that it might interfere with the defence fund collection, the Chairman (Rev. Father Casey) saying the language movement "would stand or fall with the present crisis."

The death has occurred of Mrs. Higgins, mother Rev. P. Higgins, C. C., Cloughavilla, County Leitrim, and sister of Dr. D. M. Gray, J. F., Coroner of North Longford.

A largely attended two week's retreat at St. Mary's Church, Carrick-on-Shannon, by Rev. Fathers Farrell and Walsh, of the Dominican Order, was a great success, directed by Very Rev. Canon O'Reilly.

Rev. W. O'Shea, C. C., Shanagolden, has been appointed P. P., Athes, in succession to Very Rev. Canon Cregan, promoted P. P., Abbeyfeale.

Very Rev. P. Canon Lee, P. P., Abbeyfeale, has been appointed to Newcastle West and is replaced by Very Rev. J. Canon Cregan, P. P., Athes.

Married—April 24, at St. Mel's Cathedral, Longford, by Rev. P. O'Flynn, C. C., Robert H., third son of J. Hudson, Mill House, Longford, to Margaret J., daughter of A. Gilligan, St. Joseph's road, Longford, late of Banagher, Kings Co.

Married—At Killkerrin R. C. Church, by the Rev. Father Colgan, P. P., Martin Murphy, C. D. B., of Cuslogh, Logboy, to Debra O'Keefe, daughter of T. O'Keefe, ex-N. T., of Glenamaddy, County Galway.

Quite a number of farmers in Cavan and Monaghan report havoc done by wireworm on corn and wheat; some large tracts having to be reploughed and resown.

Died—May 24, at Clones, Francis Cosgrove, ex-R. I. C.

A cattle drive took place off the lands of Hollymount, Queens County, in the possession of Mr. Mailey, Myshall.

Died—May 27, at Maryborough, Ellen Hearn, late of the Knocknass, Funeral at Two-Mile House, Waterford.

Most Rev. Dr. Hackett ordained at St. John's College, Waterford, Rev. S. O'Brien (Armadale), Rev. J. O'Brien (Sydney), Rev. T. Quigley (Maitland), Rev. J. Finney (Salford), and Rev. E. Sheehy (Salt Lake City).

Died—May 26, at Poplar Cottages, Ratoath, Elizabeth, daughter of the late James Toole.