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## CARROLL O'DONOGHUE

CHRISTINE FABER ess of "A Mother's Sacrifice," etc.

CHAPTER VI.-CONTINUED The night for which so many

hearts yearned came at last; it was dark as the faithful lads watching by the coast could wish, and it threatened to be wild and stormy. The wind rose in fitful gusts and swept at intervals round angles and through crevices with the wild hollow shriek of a soul in pain. lt vas a night to make man and beast hasten to shelter, and Carroll O'Donoghue and Tighe a Vohr buttoned their coats closer about them, and bent their heads before the blast, as both walked quickly and silently forward on the road to Darommacohol. Not a sound save that of their own hurried footsteps, and the shricking of the wind as it came madly down from the mountains, broke the stillness, and the darkness was so intense that they could not see a pace ahead.

Neither was in a mood for conversation. Carroll, wrapped in the thought of her whose memory never left him, and rejoiced at the prospect of so soon beholding her, left forgot for the time even the faith-ful companion at his side, and the danger into which he might be hurrying, while Tighe, too heavyhearted to yield to the natural humor which no trouble heretofore had entirely suppressed, was ab-sorbed in his own anxious thoughts.

The cautious signal which Tighe gave at the back entrance to Father Meagher's little house needed no repetition; Moira and Mrs. Carmody had been on the watch there a long hour, not daring to open the door and look forth, lest spies might be lurking in the darkness, but they had remained to listen for the first sound of him whom they expected, while Father Meagher and the keepsake ladies kept similar watch near the front entrance. The back door was opened wide to Tighe's gentle tap, and Moira in her wild delight forgot her prudence and gave a scream of

joy. "Whisht!" said Tighe, putting his hand over her mouth, and quickly shutting the door, "you'll bring the counthry on us." The scream had brought the

little party from the parlor, Father Meagher first, Nora, white and trembling, in the rear. "My own boy! home again. Thank God !"

The escaped convict was folded in the priest's arms close to the heart that beat with all a father's love for the young fellow so full of generous impulses and noble daring; he could feel the tears of the tender-hearted clergyman as for an instant their faces touched, and his own eyes were. misty when he turned to embrace his sister.

Nora still modestly lingered in the rear; indeed, her trembling limbs would scarcely bear her forward; but Carroll, impatient to greet her, released himself from Clare and advanced to her with outstretched arms; in that long, warm clasp of hands, in that gaze of each into the other's eyes, though no word was said, their souls spoke, and Nora's full heart could have sobbed itself out in very joy, while Carroll would have braved again all

"Don't, yer rivirence—I couldn't stand it—it'd unman me intoirely to have you thankin' me. I didn't do anything but what me heart tould me to do; but I'll make bould to ax one thing " looking up with a shy sterms into the parlor: the officer

"You are the same Tighe a Vohr," said the priest, with a low laugh which he could not restrain; said to the priest. " if you will say that the person of whom we are in search is not in the house Had he looked, the pallid face and but I can give your poor mother quivering lip of Nora, and the changing color and hurried breath-

the assurance you wish—you'll be a steady fellow one of these days, when you see the folly of putting your heart into such vain things as fairs, and fights and races." ing of Clare would have given him the information he did not desire to receive, but he kept his eyes averted as if he feared to betray his own

"Faith, father, I'll never lose the love for them things till my heart is held somewhere else," and he looked slyly and archly at Moira, painful embarrassment. Father Meagher evaded the rather Meagner evaded the momentous question. "You see here," he said, two young friends who, having been evicted from their own home, have conseated to accept the shelter of my humble roof, and if you think that it also covers the person for whom you are at who tried to frown him into silence. The priest affected not to understand him, and Moira slipped into the kitchen, where Tighe speedily

followed her. "To go off without a word," she pouted; " and I'll engage too, that whom you are looking, you are at you never thought of me all the while you were away. "Not think of you !" protested Tighe; "do you see that ?" pointing

liberty to search; I give you free access to every part of this little dwelling. "Moira,—" he called to his niece with the hope that her quick wit would enable her to direct the search without oversing Tighe; "do you see that?" pointing to the knot of discolored ribbon on direct the search without exposing his faded and worn hat: 'do vou the place in which she might have mind the time when I tuk that from hidden Carroll. But instead of your hair where it lay like a-like a-" At a loss for a simile, he scratched his head and looked about Moira's answer, there was a shout from the soldiers who were left on guard without the house, and in him—" like a poppy in the midst of another moment the recaptured Carroll was led into the parlor. a cornfield. Do you mind how you fastened it where it is now? well, I

Finding no place of effectual con-cealment in the kitchen to which Moira led him, and fearing to com-promise the priest, should he be found in the house of the latter, he determined to risk the chance of an rescape by the back entrance; for a few yards he was safe, owing to the darkness, but a keener scout than env. of the redcoats would have never moved it, an' I never will till you give me another an' a better Finding no place of effectual con-It's easy enough to say all that, Tighe, but if you meant it, you wouldn't have left me in such such dreadful suspense. How did I know but those horrid soldiers had caught

you, and transported you too?" "No, my darlin', I transported myself for the masther's sake: an' now don't be torturin' that purty face of yours into any more crass looks—they're not becomin' at all. Sure I'm here now, ready to ax your pardon on my knees an to swear that I'll never lave you again without tellin' you all about it afore I can spake a word to you." A loud peremptory knock sounded at the front door. The little party in the parlor and the two in the kitchen started in terror. Tighe rushed to the door, and listening a moment hurried to the parlor. "Hide the masther! it is the soldiers. Quick, quick!" Moira's you, and transported you too?" "No, my darlin', I transported darkness, but a keener scout than any of the redcoats would have proved to be scented his trail; the

"Hide the masther! it is the soldiers. Quick, quick!" Moira's wits were awake and keen. veen were one and the same persons. Interested, more than interested as "This way." She pulled Carroll with her in the he was in the wilful, spirited Clare, swayed by impluses more favorable

direction of the kitchen. Nora and Clare, terror-stricken, to the Irish cause than to British supremacy, he shrunk in bitterness of soul from the duty which was now his. He shrunk, and yet in the stood dumb and motionless. Father Meagher waved them back to their renewed with greater force he ordered Tighe to open. Carroll had disappeared with Moira, and same moment he loathed himself for this seeming weakness. To restore himself in his own estimation he assumed a sternness of mien Tighe, satisfying himself by a hasty glance that there was nothing to utterly foreign to his present feeling, and turning to the fore-most of his men, he motioned him awaken suspicion in the postures

the occupants of the room, went to

averred that she saw a form flit by it; she could not say whether night you come breaking into the breast, and the trembling of his will be.

## THE CATHOLIC RECORD

ine to do; but I'll make bould to ax one thing," looking up with a shy glance.
"Ask anything, Tighe."
"I fyou'll say, in the presence of the mother here, that you have hopes of me yet. She thinks you have none, because of my wild doin's, an' mebbe if you tould her she was wrong, it'd be a consolation to her when I'd get into the resoluter next skrimmage."
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"Father Meagher retreated a few steps into the parlor; the officer followed, motioning the soldiers and in a moment he stood in have none, because of my wild doin's, an' mebbe if you tould her she was wrong, it'd be a consolation to her when I'd get into the gristed, responded to the recognition to her when I'd get into the gristed, responded to the recognition to her when I'd get into the gristed, responded to the recognition to her when I'd get into the gristed, responded to the recognition to her when I'd get into the gristed, responded to the recognition to her when I'd get into the gristed, responded to the recognition to her when I'd get into the gristed, responded to the recognition to her when I'd get into the gristed, responded to the recognition to her when I'd get into the gristed, responded to the recognition to her when I'd get into the gristed and the grister."
"I shall not intrude farther."

his eyes resting last and longest on his weeping betrothed. Captain Dennier also turned to say farewell. Accuse me of being stern and cruel, if you will," he said, looking at Clare; "but I could not be false to my principles, to my honor; I regret exceedingly the painful part I have been obliged to perform, and I beg you in calmer moments to think more kindly of me." They departed. Tighe a Vohr now my great mistake." The mother's voice broke and the priest asked: "And what do you want "Ob Priest They departed. Tighe a Vohr now

following in their wake. TO BE CONTINUED

## A MOTHER'S PRAYER

" Oh, Father, pray, pray that my son may receive the grace to become a Catholic. He loves a young girl and has asked her to be his wife, "Danny, Danny boy, what's the and she has refused him, not be-cause she did not love him, but because of his unbelief." matter ? You're not yourself at all these last few days, and aren't you going over to Kitty's party this evening? You haven't been there for many a day." The mother addressed this speech

The priest then promised to pray for her son, and Mrs. O'Connor went home with a lighter heart than usual. to her son, who was sitting by the fireplace with a gloomy, abstracted That night Danny again took his mother to the mission and promised look on his face. Danny O'Connor was a handsome lad, indeed, and as to return for her.

'Won't you come in, too ?" asked he lifted his face to his mother's, and brushed back his crisp brown his mother.

No, mother, please don't urge " Danny returned for her curls, he said: "No, mother, I'm not going out this tonight, but don't earlier than usual, to find the servworry dear, there's nothing what-ever the matter with me," and he smiled into her face. But his ces still going on. It was cold outside and a little voice inside him whispered, "Go in." At last he yielded and entered the church. His mother saw him and her face little in the saw him

and her face lighted with joy, and she prayed all the more. The mis-sionary's burning words uttered from the altar fell on Danny's heart and soon he was listening with all his attention. The priest spoke with burning eloquence that night and his sermon was wonderful. Then came Benediction and as Dan lifted his eyes to the little white particle reposing in the gleaming monstrance, grace filled his and-he believed.-True Voice. his soul

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THE PATRON OF WRITERS

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"But come, let us talk about it. Of course I will take you to church, In an luminous Encyclical pub-ished a week ago, the Holy Father outlined in elegant terms the sal-ient characteristics of this great The mother sighed. This was not the first time she had pleaded with Bishop whose doctrine has done so much toward spreading true peace her wayward son; but always he said "No." among souls.

While arguing with the undral, as he had promised, but leavbelievers of his day, St. Francis revealed a marvellous erudition and ing her there he returned home and again sat down by the fireplace. In grasp of theological principles. Con-vincing by the depth of his thought, his mind there arose the picture of a girl with laughing eves and mouth. his methods were of such winning sweetness that he captured the and a tenderness and sweetness in her face. Dan threw his head back sobbed itself out in very joy, while Carroll would have braved again all his past hardships for such a moment of happiness. There was a sudden exclamation of terror from Moira, and she pointed excitedly to the window. She had been standing close beside it, listening with a pretty archness to Tighe's tender speeches, and she averred that she saw a form flit by impatiently. No-he must forget her. She had refused him because hardest hearts. His famous axiom



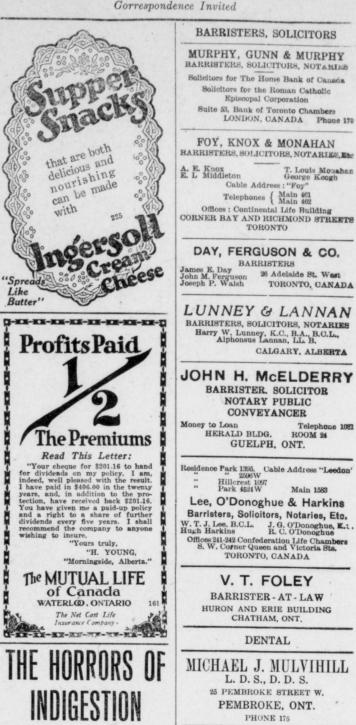
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"Lave it to me, father," he said, turning to the priest, "to learn if there's a spy about; an' do you all go up-stairs, an' be quiet till I come back. Mebbe it's only a notion of Moira's, afther all.

'It is not," protested Moira, "I saw it. and-

But Tighe had gone out into the dark, windy night. The priest led the way to the parlor, and seated between his sister and his betrothed, Carroll O'Donoghue told in a subdued voice the story of his escape, and how the latter was due to the

faithful affection of Tighe a Vohr. But every whistle of the wind made the girls start and shudder, and even Father Meagher, touched and interested as he was, and anxious to conceal his own alarm, cast hurried,

uneasy glances toward the door.

Tighe came back to reassure visit?' them: "Not a h'aporth was to be The seen of any one. It must be Moira's own notion

venerable form, the calm, firm tones of his voice, and the kind,

own notion." Pretty Moira would have pouted at another time to be deemed so fanciful, but Tighe's assurance had made her too happy now to assume "I have not had time even to welcome you. Tighe," said Father and extending his hand. It was caught and shaken vigorously, the dropped, and Tighe stood twirling

man or woman, but she was sure that the shadow of some one had perceived it, but no one else had party had been looking in, that direction. Alarm became imme-diately visible on every face, and Nora shrunk closer to Carroll. diately visible on every face, and Nora shrunk closer to Carroll's "Open the door," thundered the Nora shrunk closer to Carroll's "Open the door," thundered the side, as if she would strive to protect him, while Tighe seized his tears that threatened each moment | ful to his fond mother's eyes. Fall to become a sob, she said to Captain ing to her knees beside him, she ennier. "He is my brother ; he is the sole stand before You when I die and protect him, while Fighe select his hat, which he had thrown on the floor on his entrance, and thrust it upon his head. "Lave it to me. father." he said, "Lave it to me. father." he said, Dennier.

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The noble poise of his dignified,

the words. "Will you open the door, or must I do it myself?" ordered the priest the intrusion you so deeply re-gretted,"—spoken with an accent of intense scorn—"the intrusion for which you made so humble an prologic and the sequence of your intrusion intense scorn—"the intrusion for which you made so humble an prologic and the sequence of your intrusion intense scorn—"the intrusion for which you made so humble an prologic and the sequence of your intrusion intense scorn—"the intrusion for which you made so humble an prologic and the sequence of the sequence of your intrusion intense scorn—"the intrusion for which you made so humble an truth." in severe tones.

"Sure, father, I'm doin'my best; "Sure, father, I'm doin'my best; but there's a ketch in the bolt—bad cess to yez!" as the blows began to shower again, "but ye're the onmanageable lot, there!" He and widely that two of the fore-ta which you made so humble an apology; and you prayed to have no enmity between us as individ-sarcasm "you deplored the suffering entailed upon us poor victims of "This" ly and widely that two of the fore-most of the soldiers who were close against it fell headlong into the little entry. "It's down ye ought to be," said Tighe, contemptuously surveying his fallen foes, as they hastily and with visible mortification in their faces struggled to their feet. The priest stood on the threshold of the little parlor. "To what, gentlemen, am I indebted for such an unseemly "Remove the prisoner." head and the suffering entailed upon us poor victims of your country's oppresion. This act shows how deeply you deplored the suffering entailed upon us poor victims of your country's oppresion. This act shows how deeply you deplore the shows how deeply you deplore "Hush," interposed Carroll, "you are talking wildly; this officer is but doing his duty." "Beenve the prisoner." he all she had heard that his conversions were really miraculous." That was

"Remove the prisoner," he all she had heard, but that was ordered, in the same tones he pre-viously used, and withdrawing a The ne little as if he somewhat feared the started for the priest's residence,

effect of his command.

"A moment—give me a moment to convince this poor girl that I must go," said Carroll, as he strove to detach himself from his sister's

but I cannot, will not, go in.

Dan took his mother to the Cathe

his high office as shepherd of souls. One is "The Introduction to a Devout Life" and the other the "Treatise on the Love of God." His Holiness recommends that the first of these books be read by all

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In his day, St. Francis urged all Christians to frequently nourish their souls with the Divine Food The next morning Mrs. O'Connor but stopped on the way to see Kitty Blair. From her she obtained the

dropped, and Tighe stood twirling his hat and looking down in awkward bis hat and looking down in awkward "Look up!" said the priest, "and let me thank you for all you have done for our poor lad." After a short time the missionary "Look up!" said the priest, "and let me thank you for all you have done for our poor lad." After a short time the missionary "Look up!" said the priest, "and let me thank you for all you have done for our poor lad." After a short time the missionary "Look up!" said the priest, "and let me thank you for all you have done for our poor lad." After a short time the missionary "I regret, reverend sir, to be intimely a visit, but duty compels. From direct information received

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