

THE WONDERFUL FLOWER OF WOXINDON.

An Historical Romance of the Times of Queen Elizabeth.

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CHAPTER XXIV.—(Continued.)

While we were conversing, the fagon had frequently been passed round, and doubtless the good Spanish wine had something to do with our high spirits...

CHAPTER XXV.

My good husband says it is time that I should resume the part of narrator, since I have already been silent for a longer period than is consistent with the love of talking...

As soon as they had ridden off, I went up to the top of the watch-tower, whence I could follow them in thought, when they had passed out of sight...

The pious old lady had already lighted the blessed candles, and laid her prayer-book open at the place of the prayers to be said in the time of a tempest...

Just when the storm was at its height, and a perfect deluge of rain and hailstones was dashing against the closed shutters...

Meanwhile old John had bestirred himself to bring something to eat, for he knew right well that the priests, hunted down mercilessly as they were by the pursuivants...

started to our feet, doubting not that the pursuivants were again on the track of the fugitive priest.

But when I opened the little wicket to inquire, what a joyful surprise awaited me. For who should answer me but my little brother Frith, telling me he should have beaten in the door long ago...

The bolts were speedily drawn back, the heavy chains unhooked, and the door was thrown open wide.

The young lady stood by, smiling at the whim, but somewhat inopportune demonstrations of affection showered on me. Her countenance was pale, but pleasing, and the expression of her large dark eyes was very grave.

"I have fled from the Queen's wrath," Lord Burghley's daughter responded, as I conducted her upstairs to my own chamber, where she could take off her wet things.

"What did the others say to that?" "Oh, nothing worth listening to. They talked loud, and said all sort of blasphemous things, and they cuffed me, and boxed my ears, and I came off badly, for they were twenty to my one."

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sitting, listening to Frith's story. Good Father Weston, who had been fetched out of the hiding place, occupied an arm-chair on the opposite side of the hearth.

When Lord Burghley's daughter entered, they both came forward to greet her with great cordiality, grandmother giving her a motherly embrace, and refusing to listen to her apologies and deprecatory speeches, saying there would be plenty of time for all that when she had had rest and refreshment.

Our repeat ended, Miss Cecil, not without incessant interruption on Frith's part, told us the story of how she had long doubted the truth of the new doctrine, but had been unable to come to any decision on matters of faith, because there was so much in the teaching of the Catholic Church that appeared to her strange and incomprehensible.

Here Frith broke in. "As for that," he said, "you cannot think how stupid the pages were. Just fancy, grandmother, what rubbish one of them talked to me. He said a reformed preacher one day came to a Catholic priest and said: Here is a poisoned Host. If you really believe what you assert that the formula you utter has the power to change the wafer into the Body of Christ, you will not hesitate to consecrate and consume it."

"The boy only repeated what the learned Dean of St. Paul's said from the pulpit of the Grand Royal on the preceding Sunday," interposed Miss Cecil. "Well, what answer did you make to this cunningly devised argument?" asked Father Weston, who was listening attentively to the conversation.

"The answer was easy enough," replied Frith. "I said our Lord gave His priests power to change bread, but not poison, into His Body." "Bravo! my fine fellow, you shall have the best picture I can find for that answer," rejoined the priest.

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He thinks of the day when he held his own In harvesting hay or grain— Then smiles at the thought that a croquet game Can give him a next-day pain.

He sighs to remember the mighty brawn He showed on the college track; He thinks of the days when he played baseball, And wishes those days were back; He thinks of himself in a football suit Well padded and picturesque, Then weeps o'er recalling the flabby form That's chained to the roll-top desk.

O man in the field, with the hoe or plough, O man with the ditching spade! Ye are not for the "easy, white-handed job" Instead of your sturdy trade. There's money—sometimes—in the office grind— There's life in the work you do!

You are fanned and warmed by the breeze and sun And arched with a roof of blue. Your food is the food of a hungry man, You sleep like the dead at night; Your muscles are firm and your heart is good.

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