The Quality of Mercy

"WHO loveth best"—ay, loveth best,—
That is the everlasting test
In face of earnest or of jest,
Of late three boys were gathered where
A dying bird gazed its despair,—
Being maimed and left to perish there.
The oldest boy—with hardened eye
That told of slighted purity—
Stared, laughed, and jeered and then—passed by.

The next, misled by that contact,
Yet somehow moved—but not to act,—
Muttered: "Shame, and that's a fact!"
The third—whose innocence unstained
Felt pain for other creatures pained—
Lovingly quenched what woe remained.

I seemed to hear a silvery voice
From regions where slain things rejoice:
"God smiles when mercy is man's choice!"

—Dumb Animals.

Viaticum

If you would sing, with faith you must begin,
Faith in the Maker of a world of song,
Who lights the souls that in His flame grow strong,
Making the humblest to the stars akin:
If you would sing, with faith you must begin.

If you would fight with faith you must begin;
Wrestling for justice not a game with dice:
For faith is duty, faith is sacrifice
And you must smite the foe as he were sin:
If you would fight, with faith you must begin.

If you would love, with faith you must begin,
Faith in a love immortal, infinite
Showering its gifts till earth is manna white,
Waiting the Heaven Death shal usher in:
If you would love, with faith, you must begin.

—George Noble Plunkett.

Lucy Dunstan's Conquest

(Concluded.)

Christmas with its manifold pleasures came and went most joyfully. A few days later as Lucy was trundling her hoop in the park, she saw her friend advancing to meet her. Her eyes spoke the joy in her affectionate heart. 'Oh, I am so very glad to see you!' she said. 'We thought you had gone forever, and I imagined you might have been sick and alone in that big house you take care of.'

'Precious little care I take of it,' he rejoined. 'But I live there true enough.'

'Yes,' said Lucy. 'I even went around the back of the garden to see if you were there. But the windows were shut, so I fancied you must have gone away!'

'I was called East very suddenly,' replied her friend. 'But now I am back again and glad to be here.'

'Did you have a nice Christmas?' inquired Lucy. 'We did, a splendid one!'

'I spent mine on the train,' replied the old man. 'As good a place as any for a homeless man like me.'

He looked so sad as he spoke and his voice was so sorrowful that Lucy felt sad also.

A sudden thought came to her, and a resolve, which as soon as she returned home she lost no time in putting into effect. After relating to her parents what had occurred, she continued, 'Papa and mamma' I want you to do something for me: will you?'

'What is it, Lucy?' answered both parents at once.

'Invite my friend to spend the evening on New Year's day. He is so lonely, I know he is.'

The Dunstan's looked at each other. They could not refuse the request of the kind-hearted child. So it was settled that Lucy should ask her friend to come to them on New Year's Day.

When she gave him the invitation the next day he at once replied that he would come. Lucy was delighted and named seven as the hour. She was at the door to welcome him. Taking his hand, she led him to her father and introduced him as 'my friend,' for she knew him by no other name. He at once entered into the spirit of the occasion, made himself entirely at home, examined and praised the Christmas tree, which was lighted once more before being dismantled, and at length taking a box from his pocket, he said to Doctor Dunstan:

I have a little gift here which I should like to present to this darling child. It once belonged to another child whom I dearly loved. Will you allow her to wear it?"

'Certainly,' replied Doctor Dunstan, and the stranger opened the box. Within was one of faded velvet. Touching a spring the visitor revealed a locket, framed in pearls with four fine diamonds in the center in the form of a cross. It was attached to a delicate gold chain of the finest workmanship.

Placing and fastening it around Lucy's neck, he said: My darling child, I give you this as a memento of the dearest thing I ever owned in this world. Keep it, wear it, and treasure it. You are very like my sister—whose nature was akin to yours—gentle, loving, generous, and pure. The day I saw you first I was reminded of her, and the long-sealed fountains of my crusty old heart once more began to flow. I am a changed man. This child has accomplished a miracle,' he cotinued, turning to doctor Dunstan.

Then, putting his arm around Lucy, he drew her to his breast. 'My dear,' he said, 'you have transformed a hardened old man into a real human being. Blessed are the parents that call you their own.'

The child nestled closely to her friend, gazing up into his eyes as he spoke, while her delicate fingers clasped the locket he had fastened about her slender white throat.

'You could not make her proud,' replied the old man. 'Pride is and will always be a stranger to her soul. And now,' he continued, 'I will tell you who I am. My name is Chetwynd Ralph, of whom of course you have often heard. I am the owner of the dilapidated place quite close to you. From this time forward I intend to live as a human being not as a cynical recluse.'

'My story would not interest you, nor would my excuses hold in the minds of any reasonable beings, of whom I have not until now, been one. But in whatever of the future is sent me I shall try to redeem the past. I have suffered injustice, the treachery of friends, and many other things. I should have risen above them, but I did not. I trust God will forget the past and illumine the future with His blessed joy and peace.'

Two years from that night, the Dunstans were once more reassembled in the drawing room of their beautiful home. But the old man was not there. He had died six months before, leaving a letter to Lucy which was not to be opened until New Year's night, and now the time had come.

Lucy and her mother seated themselves on either side of Doctor Dunstan. This is what the Doctor read:

'You have been my guardian angel and my salvation. My sole regret in leaving this world is in leaving you and the good, kind parents whose care and solicitude will keep you always as you are. If after I have atoned for my sins in God's blessed purgatory, it is permitted me to do so, I shall watch over you from His paradise. May He always have you in his keeping.

'Your friend of the park.'

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—Mary E. Mannix.

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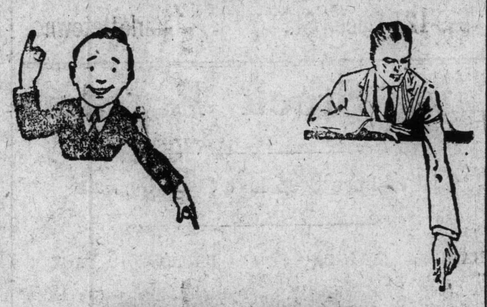

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JOHN F. WHEAR,
Post Office Inspector.

Post Office Inspector's Office,
Ch'town, March 8, 1921.
March 9, 1921—3i

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JOHN F. WHEAR,
Post Office Inspector

Post Office Inspector's Office,
Ch'town, Feb. 25, 1921
March 2, 1921—3i

Mail Contract

SEALED TENDERS, addressed to the Postmaster General will be received at Ottawa until noon on Friday, the 1st April, 1921, for the conveyance of His Majesty's Mails, on a proposed contract for four years, six times per week, on the route, Winsloe Rural Mail Route No. 1, from the first July, 1921, next.

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JOHN F. WHEAR,
Post Office Inspector.

Post Office Inspector's Office,
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February 23, 1921—3i

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