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Miss Gardiner's two sisters had married Catholics, Dermot Riordan and Richard Hackett, and they had adopted the Faith of their husbands. Miss Gardiner had disapproved of this at first; but when she found that her sisters were no less sisterly and that their husbands were honest and honorable men, she ceased to regret the marriages. She was a quiet young woman when they married, possessed of a fair income and a number of prejudices which were only to be removed by actual experience that they were prejudices, and not principles. She read much and she fancied that she was an impartial observer. Her sisters, who had both become enthusiastic converts, piled her with books, from Milner's *End of Controversy to the Faith of Our Fathers*. She had a great respect for the Catholic Church, but she had formed the opinion that a "broad" Christianity was enough. She was opposed to the Catholic idea of religious education. It was her opinion that the world had grown so much better and kinder since dogmas had ceased to hold its people, that orthodox religion was really not at all necessary.

Her nephew, Carroll Riordan, often said that this belief was easy enough for a woman who had merely to draw her income every quarter. If she had to struggle with the world, things would no doubt assume a very different aspect. At any rate, it was Miss Gardiner's impression that Catholics, in practical life, were no better than other people. And she said many times that a religion which made such claims ought to produce better results in every day life. She never took the trouble to inquire into the workings of the magnificent works of Catholic charity in New York; she expected her servants—who would employ none but Catholics who attended to their duties—to be models of good temper. "Sarah," she would say, "I know I lose my temper sometimes, but then I am not expected to be good all the time. But it is different with you; you're a Catholic and your Church ought to keep you straight." There was no replying to this. As to honesty, Miss Gardiner believed that most people were honest, but at the same time she took good care to see that her bolts and bars were staunch.

The two sisters died young. Carroll Riordan was her favorite nephew. His father went to Cuba, to look after certain sugar interests, and remained there, leaving Carroll, a lad of eighteen, in the care of his aunt. Her other nephew, whose father had died, was at a preparatory school under the charge of a community of priests. Here Carroll had likewise been until Miss Gardiner sent for him. She did not like Cyril Hackett; he was not handsome; he was blunt in speech; he had light eyebrows and blue eyes—she detested both—and he never said a polite thing merely for the sake of politeness.

Carroll, on the other hand, was tall and elegant, olive-complexioned and dark-eyed. Both he and Cyril were well instructed in their religion. In addition to his other good qualities, Carroll was clever and showed it. Cyril was clever, but, as a rule he did not show it.

Miss Gardiner, who was growing richer year by year, came to the conclusion that she would bear the expense of her nephews' college course. She did this partly out of good-nature, partly from a desire to make an experiment which she felt sure would prove her theory that a "broad" education produced just as good results as the religious kind. She could not send Cyril to a "broad" college; she had promised his parents to the contrary.

Carroll's father was dazzled by the prospect of having his son's name enrolled on the list of a college noted for its age and for the standing of its faculty, and notorious for the wild and barbarous conduct of some of its students.

Miss Gardiner smiled at the faint objection of Carroll's father that he might lose his Faith. What if he did? she said to herself. He would live with the world at Warward College and gain great culture. Mr. Riordan's conscience troubled him a little. But, after all, he said to himself, that he had been sent to a National School in Ireland and not lost his faith. Miss Gardiner had her way. Carroll went to Warward College and Cyril to the Jesuits—Miss Gardiner paying with great satisfaction for both.

"The Jesuits will have the worst of it," she said, "for Cyril is as obstinate and hot-tempered as he is ugly, while Carroll is as amiable as he is handsome."

She made no secret of the fact that she had made Carroll her heir, while Cyril was to have \$500 a year for life.

As the years went on, Miss Gardiner grew richer, through lucky investments. She bought a place at Newport and presented Carroll to society during the vacations. Cyril was with her, too, during these times of rest, but he was always in the background. He knew that he must work for a living; and he kept hard at his books. Sometimes he was tempted to envy, sometimes to anger; it was hard that all the roses of life should be for his cousin and none for him. Cyril had inherited a hot temper from his father; he was obstinate, and worst fault of all, naturally inclined to be envious.

If Miss Gardiner—now become a gentle-looking, graceful old lady—wanted an attendant, she asked for Carroll. He might be seen every day sitting opposite to her in her victoria, admired and willing to be admired,

dressed in the latest fashion; and he was a prominent object in all the important entertainments. Cyril was entirely neglected. He had his breakfast alone, he dined alone whenever there was a dinner party, for his aunt said that he "did not know how to wear an evening coat."

Of course Cyril Hackett resented this. He was often tempted to envy and anger—two passions to which he seemed particularly open. He had inherited this susceptibility from his father; but he had learned, too, that his father had overcome one of the most diabolical tempers that ever cursed a man by the means of grace which the Church freely offers to her children; consequently, Cyril did not attempt to excuse himself for indulging in his predominant passions because he had inherited them. He fought, he struggled, he fell, he rose again, and the good Jesuit, his confessor, knew best how hard his life was.

Miss Gardiner watched her two nephews closely. She saw the flash in Cyril's eye and the curl of his lip when Carroll was lavishly praised or pointedly favored, and in her heart she said that her scheme had succeeded; it corroborated her belief in the uselessness of religious education. Certainly Carroll was a very charming person. He was always amiable, always willing to amuse or be amused. His aunt had given him an ample allowance; but she had refused to increase it although Carroll insinuated several times that he would find it very agreeable if she would do so.

One afternoon towards the end of the summer, Carroll found Cyril under a rock near the ocean, reading.

"We haven't seen much of each other this year," Carroll said, "and we used to be such good friends."

"It hasn't been my fault," answered Cyril; "you've been too much engaged with other people," he added, with some bitterness in his tone.

"I couldn't help it," Carroll said, with a laugh. "I really couldn't—people like me and I am fond of society; besides, my aunt insists that I must be with her a great deal."

"You must be very happy," said Cyril, saying a prayer and striving to suppress the temptation. "Life is very bright for you."

Carroll Riordan shook his head and drew figures in the sand with his cane.

"No, Cyril," he said, "I am very miserable. If it were not for your narrow life in that Jesuit College—which I never could stand—I should almost envy you."

"Why should you be miserable?" asked Cyril; "you have friends, prospects—your father is living, my aunt loves you as if you were her son—"

"Oh, yes," said Carroll, impatiently, "I know all that."

There was silence. The waves continued to come in with a force that bodied a storm, and their spray almost touched the feet of the two young men. Cyril's white flannel shirt and soft slouch hat were very much of a contrast to his cousin's correct attire. From the glossy silk hat to the brilliant patent-leather shoes Carroll Riordan was what Shakespeare calls "point device in his accoutrements." His nails were delicately pink and carefully cut, his slight mustache was trimmed fashionably, and he wore a bunch of carnations in his button-hole. Cyril, looking at him, felt half admiration, half contempt. Suddenly a mild delightful perfume filled the air, overcoming the smell of the salt and seaweed.

"What is that?" asked Cyril. "Was there ever such a delicious odor? Does it come from the flowers in your button-hole?"

"From carnations?" laughed Carroll. "How ignorant you are! One might as well expect to get wine from turnips as the scent of the Cuban lotus from carnations." And Carroll uttered his handkerchief in his gloved hands.

"Cordovas, who left to-day, had just a few drops of this perfume left in a little glass vial. He dropped it on my handkerchief at parting and threw the bottle into the sea. Every body is wild over new perfumes just now, and it will make a great sensation to-night at my aunt's dinner-party, if I can only keep the scent from going off entirely." He thrust the handkerchief into his pocket.

"It is very strong," said Cyril; "I have never taken any interest in the present fashion for scents, but it is certainly most delicious."

"I suppose they don't encourage aesthetic tastes of that kind at your college," said Carroll with a half sneer.

"They don't encourage us to be duds," said Cyril, hotly.

Carroll shrugged his shoulders.

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Proceedings were commenced at 4 o'clock. Brother Arnold presiding. After the blessing Father Brancart, parish priest of St. Ann's church, delivered an excellent address calling forth great applause. The Rev. Father de la Salle also spoke briefly, stating that as their old friend, Solicitor (General) Curran, was with them as usual he would gratify him by addressing the meeting.

The Solicitor General was greeted with great applause. His eulogy of de la Salle was very eloquent. He said they were standing in the greatest centre of commerce and industry ever known in the Dominion of Canada. Hundreds of tall chimneys sent forth their dense smoke day by day. The hum of the mill, the foundry and the factory were ever heard, and one would be disposed to think that materialism should prevail in their midst. That was not so. Their minds were elevated and their hearts beat in unison with the noblest of the Church in the Christian world. They cherished the good sons of St. Alphonsus de Liguori, who ministered to their spiritual wants. They felt the deep debt of gratitude they owed to the daughters of the Order of the Christian Brothers, who taught and educated their daughters, and they venerated the Little Sisters of the Poor, who glided noiselessly in their midst, doing their works of charity to the hungry, the sick and the afflicted. (Applause.) Those sentiments explained why they were gathered in such large numbers to honor the memory of the Venerable de la Salle, founder of the Order of the Christian Brothers, under the guidance of Brother Arnold (prolonged applause), were doing so much good amongst them. De la Salle in his early years in Quebec could have had no conception of the beginning of the seventeenth century of the prodigious proportions his work would assume. With twelve disciples he had opened his school; so day by day, the number of his pupils increased beyond any immediate diocese; his followers were to be found in France, Spain, Germany and every corner of the globe, including the British Isles. They had establishments in Asia and Africa and in every part of North and South America. (Applause.) It was fitting that the Order of St. Patrick should venerate his memory. The first boarding school which he had opened was for the children of the Irish exiles who had taken refuge in France after the ignominious flight of James the Second. Amongst his first novices and afterwards his most active co-operators were Dillon and McMahon. (Applause.) His race had not proved ungrateful. Seventeen of the National schools of Ireland were now under the management of the Christian Brothers, and at Waterford a Protestant government had appointed them the training schools for public teachers, thus showing the esteem in which their order was held. In Canada he had not only opened every school in the Dominion, but from the noble edifice, St. Louis college on Sherbrooke street to the humblest of their schools. Tens of thousands of Canadian children were educated on their benches every day. (Applause.) In the neighboring republic they taught not only the elementary schools, but, being untrammeled, they had built up such prominent institutions as Manhattan college, New York; Rockhill college, Baltimore; St. Louis college, Missouri, all exercising university powers and conferring degrees. He hoped the day was not far distant when any man that could exist in the world would be permitted to establish an English High school for the fifty thousand English-speaking Catholics of Montreal. Our friends of different religious persuasions could maintain five and six collegiate institutes to prepare young men for commerce and industry and matriculation at their universities, and, surely, it was time that they had at least one such school for their immense population. (Applause.) In a brilliant peroration the Solicitor-General reviewed the effects of the policy of de la Salle, here on the banks of the St. Lawrence, thousands of miles from the foundation house of the order, and in referring to Brother Arnold and other distinguished members of the teaching body, was cheered to the echo.

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On entering the Assembly Hall his Excellency bowed to Sir Montgomery Moore and to Judge Strong. The hon. States Secretary then read the usual formula. Lord Aberdeen signed the Act and applied his seal. Judge Strong then presented the great seal of Canada to the Governor-General. Then the great seal of Canada was presented to the new Governor, who gave it back to the Deputy Secretary of State, and the ceremony of taking the oath was concluded.

The members of the Privy Council congratulated his Excellency on his installation. He was then accompanied to the throne. Mayor Fremont then read the civic address, first in English and then in French. His Excellency answered in both languages, after which their Excellencies held a levee. His Excellency who married the eldest youngest daughter of Dudley Coutts, Lord Tweedmouth, in 1877, is the father of four children: George, Lord Haldon, born January 20, 1874; Dudley Gladstone Hamilton, born May 6th, 1883; Ian Archibald, born October 4, 1884; and Marjorie Adeline, born December 7, 1889; Donohoe, born in 1882, died in the same year.

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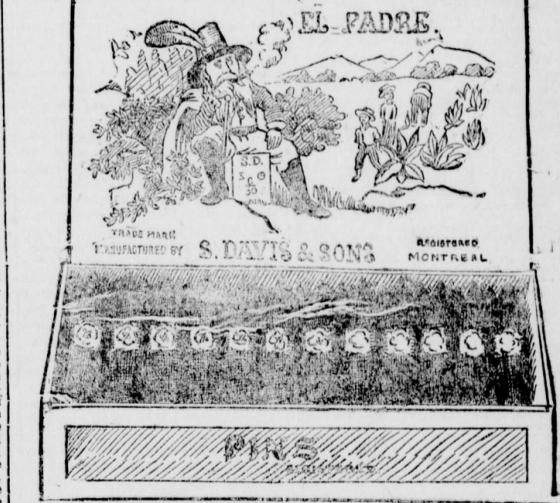
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