usual portion of his weeks wages to defray
the cost of his maintenance.
"Ned," said Lizzle to him one day, as
they sat together on a doorstep, "I do
hope you won't go on like Jim when you
grow up. Do you think you shall?"
"I'm sure I don't know," laughed Ned;
"most of the fellows do, you know.
P'r'aps you will, too, Miss Liz, like your
mother."

mother."
"I shan't!" she flashed out angrily at him, "and you're cruel to say that, Ned. It's hard enough that I'm to be pointed at everywhere as "that drunken Mrs. Willis's girl" without you saying it too."
"All right," said Ned, indifferently, rising as he spoke. "I'm off to supper, and you'd better keep your temper and come, too, and not mind if folks happen to tell

too, and not mind if folks happen to tell you a bit of truth sometimes."

And he sauntered off with his hands in his pockets, whistling.

Lizzie sat and watched him depart, and a big tear fell on her arm as she pulled the shawl round her with a sob. Everything in the world seemed to be made horrible by this drink, she thought, sally. There was hardly a family in that little court whose children were not pinched, and was hardly a family in that little court whose children were not pinched, and ragged, and hungry, because the parents drank away their earning, the nights were made hideous by some unhappy woman's screams under the blows of her savage, half-maddened husband. The little street-sellers of her own age used to slip into the gin palace close at hand, and laugh at one snother's flushed faces and unsteady gait as they came out. The laugh at one snother's flushed faces and unsteady gait as they came out. The Rafferty's had always been an exception to the universal rule; but now Jim's drinking seemed to have soured them all, and Lizzie's life was becoming daily more unhappy; for they could not refrain from pointed allusions to her mother, and even Ned, who had always stoutly defended his little friend, seemed to have grown heartless and indifferent.

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"And if Ned turns against me," thought the poor child, as she slowly rose and turned homewards, "there'll be no one to care what I do. No one to mind if I do grow up like mother. Oh, if only father would come home!"

# CHAPTER VIII.

BIXING DAY ON THE RIVER. Things went on thus for many weeks, and even months. Christmas had come and gone, with its gaily-decked shop-windows and hand-barrows piled with holly, and the hard-earned

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about, where one can sit down and have a glass of beer."

"And I guess the men ain't let to get drunk there, else everybody else's pleasure would be spoilt," chimed in Polly, nodding saucily at him.

"I daressy they ain't," returned Jim, steadily, looking across at her; "and what's more, I don't suppose they want to. If we had some of those nice places to go to, we shouldn't be always going to the public houses just for want of some place to sit in of an evening and take one's drop of beer."

of beer."
"Well, why don't you go to the parks,
then?" said Rafferty, slowly removing the
pipe from his mouth, and refilling it as he

"Well, it's cold work in winter, loafing about them parks," returned the mother; "and then one gets so tired walking there, and dragging the babies about in one's

and dragging the babies about in one's arms."

"And there's nothing to do or to see," went on Jim; "hardly a place to sit down even."

"In my young days," said Rafferty, "when I was at home in Ireland, the lads and lasses used to dance at the cross roads on Sunday afternoons."

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"There was no harm in it either," he went on; "just an old man with a fiddle or something, and some boys and girls jumping about to warm themselves like, and make friends. Did you ever see an Irish jig, Polly? No, I guess you never did, any of you."

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"Oh, well, that wasn't much, I dare say," said Rafferty, warming to his subject. "You should ha's een the way we young men used to go up to the priest's house after work sometimes, and maybe give him a hand with some of his hay-cutting, or sich, and then he'd send us out to have a bit of a dance in his yard, and stand by to keep us on at it, never stopping, and then give us a drink of poster all round before sending us home. I used to be counted a real light chap for a jig in those days, i can tell you. But I've forgotton it all new," he added, with a sigh; "even my tongue's turned to the English way of speaking, and you're all English, every one of you."

"Folks say it's a low thing to have an Irish accent, or even an Irish name," said Polly slowly.

"Low, is it !" said Bafferty, with a flash of her verses.

when they arrived, waiting for their ill approach. Lizie was much clated at the heing so near the object of admration, and whispered to Ned that she "felt quite grand—just like the Lord Mayor, with everyone staring at her?"

The cloth was already laid when they came in, and everything ready, for din, ner was to be had early, so as to leave time for a long scursion afterward; and about twelve o'clock the little party ast down to a well-spread table—roast beef, boiled bacon and vegetables, and plum pudding, with mugge of beer for the selders, and a bottle of wine, brought by the groomsman, in which to drink the health of the happy pair.

When these dainties had been fully discussed, amid much merry talk and laughter, the table cleared, and a neighbor's child, Sally Martin, installed as housekeeper to look after the bebies durincilled, set off for the Crystal Palace. Here they wandered about by two or three, gazing at the tropical palms and graceful statues, Ned and Lizzie rapt in admiration of the life-like groups of savages in one corner, while and Charlie fraternized over the skating rink and expended some sixpences in "max by rules and the most complete fallure; while Rafferty looked on quietly amused, and his wife dodged anxiously about after little Janey and Bridget and Tommy, who ran in and out in a state of wildest excitement and delight. As for the bride and bridgeroom, they disspected a cone down one of the Ninevitiah Courts, and were no more seen until the general rendezvous in the second-class waiting room at half past six. Then after a cup of tea and cutrant buns, the wedding party set of home, tired, but very ghappy. Will and Fanny left them at the home station, to proceed by underground and most famous bishop, Right Rev. Martin John Spalding, who died some intending and one of the shade of the status of the conditional, saking that the general rendezvous in the second-class waiting room at half past six. Then after good byes from all, that New Year's Day cannot be a many bridge and the proceed by un

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Poor Widow Bedott! See tried to write love poetry to deacon, and could frame only—

Had the lone creature used Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription—the sure remedy for the weaknesses and peculiar allments of her sex—she might have secured the descon's favor by the cheerful character

the corner of Main and Harvie streets, Richmond, Va, an institution which Mr. Caldwell built and presented to the Little Sisters of the Poor in that city. This generous soul died about ten years ago, three years after death had deprived him of his estimable wife, leaving to his daughters an ample fortune, of which they have shown themselves capable of making good use.

Miss Mary Gwendolen Caldwell, the young lady who inherits, manifestly, many of her father's charitable dispositions, was born in Kentucky less than a quarter of a century ago, and was educated at the famous convent of the Sacred Heart, at Manhattanville, N. Y. in which city she has for some time past made her residence, together with her sister, their house being in one of the fashionable uptown cross streets. After graduating from Manhattanville, Miss Caldwell travelled EXTENSIVELY IN EUROPE,

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CATHOLICS OF SCOTLA BY THE REV. ENEAS M'DONELL DA LL. D., F. R. S., BTC.

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laduce the King to forfeit their and reduce them to beggary. So bar a measure the monarch wisely refu adopt. He had already done enou conceived, for the Kirk, and he cou but consider it cruel and impolitic extreme, to extirpate the ancient of Huntley, Erroll and Angue, punish, by utter ruin and extermi punish, by utter ruin and exterming parties who were already exiles for science sake. The Counterses of Heard Erroll were permitted to rem Scotland; and arrangements were means of which the East at themselve the policy of James to maintain a balance of power between the frame them all dependent on leaning to the one or to the other exigencies of the time required. The such great Barons as Huntley unin a position which rendered their tion possible at any moment, was a ful means of restraining the violation of their enemies.

confirm and comfort their brethre hope that the exiled Barons wor return, gave them new courage, were confident that the king wo tolerate any violent measures them on the part of the merciles which was obliged to be satisfiabusing them and uttering it blasphemies against religion. The denounced as "excommunicated I "Jesuita," "Antichrista," etc., which chiefs, the Catholic Earls, were brebels, traitors, etc., and the frithese forfeited Earls, they complain remained at home were at large joyed full liberty in the land.

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Meanwhile the tide of Roy appeared to flow towards the King James was disgusted to arrow-mindedness and perspirit of the ministers Kirk. The mean and way in which his "good sister," Elizabeth, had treated him helped ate him from her faction and in to shew friendship to the Cathol These dispositions bore their fru withstanding the opposition wanticipated on the part of the king resolved on the restoration of the reason of the restoration of the restoration. Soon at the Earl of Huntley came from the Earl of Huntley came from the forts for his restoration. The horror struck, and reised its cring. But it was in vain, we utterance, in loud complaints distress, they learned that the Erroll had been seen with Huncastle of the Bog of Gicht an powerful Earl of Angus had con Erroll had been seen with Hunicastle of the Bog of Gicht an powerful Earl of Angue had contact the city of Perth. Word the Countess of Huntley was and having great influence, mutures on the part of her has had never, it was alleged in plotted against the reformed to the counter of the count

had never, it was singled in plotted against the reforme since he left Scotland, and was tand his trial if any one should accuse him. He had no objective with the ministers on to freligion; but a reasonable be allowed him to make up his His proposals and requests fair and moderate. But the implacable. An "excommun tor," as they called him, a may been guilty of "idolarty," crime, and who, notwith sentence of banishment, ha return without leave, had n propose any terms. The Edanger. Those earls would themselves openly in the contheir presence were accept King. The party that oppos and the liberty of the word of Gobold and condent of succeeding and Scutland. It so determined resistance were determined resistance were a made, the Kirk, with all its bo made, the Arry, with all its own and privileges, would become Anti-christ. A day of humilisingly, was appointed. Peoplisters were called upon to whetween the porch and the land "polluted by the enemit They also named sixteen cowho should sit at Edinburghthe church, as its council, pond with all parts of the connection of the church, as its council, pond with all parts of the connection of the church as it is council, pond with all parts of the connection of the church which would have swept which would have swept which would have swept with the church and the ministers. He would have stand that their fears were the Barons had no intention war on him or them. They themselves on his mercy taken them into favor, not the clergy have the likition for repentance? desired to be reconciled. The Church repel them, shuther faces, and doom them King James was by nature clemency. The sentiment gave utterance in opposite the church repel them, shuther faces, and doom them clemency. The sentiment gave utterance in opposite was, at this highly politic. It would wee, considering Queen Elises, and the influence of the England as well as in his to become a religious purposed.