

The crisis about which Mary spoke in her revelations at Fatima is imminent. The future of the world is in danger. If we listen to authority we can shape that future. And what authority is more to be trusted than that of the Mother of God. The peace for which we fight and pray can be attained not alone through the efforts of any man or group of men, but through the constant prayers and sacrifices of all men. God alone can bring us lasting peace, and, as Fatima has shown us, He has chosen His own Mother as His vehicle.

—THOMAS MacLELLAN, '47

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SCANDAL

It was with a feeling of pleasure that Mrs. Donovan watched Mrs Duffy coming up the walk on a cold December morning, because the latter always had all the gossip of the little town of Carleton. Mrs Donovan was equally anxious for gossip, but being a woman well advanced in years she had to depend on Mrs Duffy and others for her information as she herself was unable to be around among the neighbours.

After the two women had talked for about an hour on the weather, the price of eggs, the frivolities of the younger generation, and numerous other things, Mrs Donovan decided to serve tea.

As the two women sat before the fire slowly sipping their tea Mrs Duffy told her major story of the day. The newly-weds, Mr and Mrs Daley, who lived across the street from her, had quarrelled the night before and Mr Daley, forced to leave his house at the point of a rolling pin, had spent the night in his garage. Mrs Duffy confirmed her story by saying that her husband had seen Mr Daley, clad in shirt and trousers, coming out of the garage early in the morning.

To each of the many visitors whom Mrs Donovan received during the course of that day the same account of the quarrel was given, and as the news travelled it grew gradually worse. The story which reached the police station that evening told of a violent quarrel in which Mr Daley received a broken jaw, in which all the windows in the house were broken, and which resulted in Mr Daley's leaving home in the early morning clad only in trousers and a shirt.

With a surprised look, Mike Daley opened the door to Constable and Holster, and in spite of his many pleadings he was thrust into the police car to be taken to headquarters for questioning.

At police headquarters, three days after the quarrel, Mr and Mrs Daley faced Chief of Police McGurk for questioning. Both denied that there had been any quarrel. Inspectors sought in vain for signs of a quarrel about their home. When Mr Daley was asked to explain his coming out of the garage at such an early hour he replied that he had stayed up all that night because his pet dog had been seriously sick in the garage and he had been trying to save his life. Mr and Mrs Daley were thus found innocent and were allowed to return to their home.

In the front seat of the courtroom two elderly ladies exchanged surprised glances. "Well, how did that story start?" said Mrs Duffy to Mrs. Donovan.

—FENNELLY HOWLETT, '48

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EDUCATION

In Prince Edward Island we are now faced with the problem of revising our educational system so that the children in the country districts will be given the same chance for advancement as those in the city. As matters now stand the sons and daughters of our farmers and fishermen are placed at a disadvantage because they have not the educational facilities, which they require to be successful, that their city cousins enjoy. This may be portrayed, somewhat inadequately, by the following example.

Jack and Nell are the children of a farmer on P.E.I. Jack is eighteen, one year older than his sister Nell. Jack desires to become a successful farmer and Nell has hopes of becoming a nurse. Both are faced with obstacles. If he wishes to become a successful farmer in this scientific age, Jack must have more than a grade X education, and if she even hopes to be admitted to a nursing school, Nell must have a grade XII education. But their father cannot afford to send Jack to agricultural college or Nell to the city to complete her high school education. The education supplied by the country school is not enough for success.