

THE LILY OF

*Fairest flower that ever*



THE MOHAWKS

*bloomed among true men*

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## FAR OUT OF THE ORDINARY

Two of the reports on the following pages, under the heading, 'Out of the Ordinary,' are very much out of the ordinary, one from Cincinnati and one from Alberta, Canada. They are indeed worthy of further investigation, because the restoration to health they tell of might prove to have been miraculous. They are not the only startling reports we receive, and they have the special merit of being made known to us promptly, before it is too late to get the evidence of doctors, nurses and other witnesses concerned. Recovery in one instance is attributed to the intercession of the North-American Martyrs, Jogues and his companions as well as that of Tekakwitha. This does not matter so far as her intervention in the cure would be considered as creditable for a miracle granted through her aid. Her holiness and favor with God were due to the missionary efforts, the sacrifices, tortures and blood-shedding of these same martyrs, according to the well-known adage: "The blood of martyrs is the seed of Christians," and Tekakwitha was born on the soil bedewed by the blood of the Martyr Saints, Jogues, Goupil, Lalande, and by martyrs, though not canonized, of her own race.

## SUMMER SCHOOLS AND SUMMER CAMPS

Summer Schools and Summer Camps are all the rage. They are both an evidence of the fertility of Catholic life. There is no mention of them in the Gospels which tell of the foundation and everlasting mission of the Church, but they serve to show how the Church and its members are ever ready to meet every requirement of progress in its best sense.

Living on a University campus, one cannot help admiring in these hot and humid days the self-denial, earnestness and cheerfulness of young priests, sisters (in all those calorific habits), and young men and women who come day after day to listen for hours to lectures, in order to fit themselves to do their part fulfilling the command of Our Divine Lord: "Go, teach all nations."

How good it is to reflect that as our Nation is pouring out its billions to save the bodily existence of other nations, the Church here in America is, by its men and women missionaries and by its money also, enlightening and saving souls as the Canon of the Mass has it: "*toto orbe terrarum* — throughout the world."

Then the Summer Camps, "Mother Church" is no false title, as she revels in the delight of the young boys and girls having one good round of summer days, boating, fishing, swimming, baseball, basketball, volley ball, soft ball, horseback riding, archery, tennis, etc., and not neglecting the spiritual life, as, for instance, in one of the camps named after Tekakwitha, the season opening with Benediction in the rustic chapel, regular religious practices, often religious instructions, and never to bed without night prayers. What life!

## A NOVEL BIRTHDAY GIFT

"Please, Father, I want to enroll my husband and myself and my relative in the Tekakwitha League. I am doing this for their birthdays."  
—Chicago.

## A LONG MEMORY

"It will probably please you to know I have obtained financial aid through her intercession already. My interest in Kateri was aroused when Mrs. H., my fiance's grandmother, was speaking of her. You see, when I was in the eighth grade at the Visitation School, we dramatized her Life, and of course I feel honored in knowing of your work in her honor, and know God is with you, and will bless your work."  
—Philadelphia.

## JUST LIKE A BOY

"When we got home from New York, my little boy went out to play ball, fell over a rock-pile, cut his thumb right down to the bone. I applied the reliquary I got in New York to his hand, rushed him to the hospital—they took seven stitches in his thumb, but were able to save it. He is now getting on fine."  
—Egbertsville, N. Y.

## CONFIDENCE REWARDED

"My sister was very sick and no telling how long she was going to have to be in the hospital. We told mother that 'Little Catherine' would have her home for Easter. It looked hopeless, but we never gave up and sure enough the day before Easter she came home nearly well and we all knew of course who was back of it. Father, could I get a leaflet printed in 'Indian'? I have always admired the Indian, and would like to learn the prayer in that language."  
—Cortland, N. Y.

## ONCE MORE DULUTH

"I promised this donation towards the Cause if the Lily of the Mohawks interceded for us that my husband would get a job with certain requirements. Such as daytime work,

living wage; something he'd like, steady and chance for advancement, something fitted to his ability, etc. After about five years of unemployment due to a leg injury, you may well imagine how glad we are. I also wish to thank her through the 'monthly message' for obtaining other favors, such as peace with neighbor, glasses obtained, opportunity to attend summer school, part-time employment for two, instructions taken, deferment of marriage, ability to help others, assurance of purity, opportunity to get financial aid and go on a well-earned vacation."  
—Duluth, Minn.

## A DOUBLE BLESSING

"The Lily of the Mohawks: I want to thank you so much for a favor that was granted for my brother-in-law. He hit his knee on a truck, in an hour it was swollen as big as your fist. All the doctor did to it was to take the water off it. When I got your grand medals I put one on it. Not more than an hour the pain and swelling had gone down and the doctor wanted to know what we had done. I told him it was the Lily of the Mohawks. He isn't a Catholic, so he cannot understand, but I know when I ask her to help me she never fails. I had a very bad swelling, went to the best doctors and paid plenty of money, but it did me no good; the Lily of the Mohawks did it for me. I will never forget the graces I have received from her and all she has done for me and my family."  
—Seattle, Wash.

## IN SPITE OF RED TAPE

"I prayed fervently to Kateri Tekakwitha and my prayers were answered. During the winter months, shortly after my husband had undergone a serious operation, my position with the government was threatened in a reduction in force move. I prayed to her to ask assistance in establishing my certified status. After a much sought after confer-



ence with the district director of this region I obtained the certification, which had been withheld due to error, but I had to take a cut in salary. I continued to pray and after six weeks my salary was restored to the former level and now I am advised that my periodic increase will become effective this month. In view of the great opposition which I faced when I attempted to establish this eligibility I know that it came to a happy conclusion due to Kateri Tekakwitha's intercession."

—Denver, Colo.

#### IT WILL HELP THE INDIANS

"I am enclosing another check for the Shrine. I wonder if I might receive a leaflet or picture or two to help promote the project and honor our little friend, Kateri. She certainly did a splendid job of helping our reverend brother, Father O'Brian, through serious illness. He is not entirely convalescent, but she will finish her work I am sure, priests are so badly needed. The doctors gave him up. I promised to do what I can for her poor Indians out West and a bit for the Shrine."

—Columbus, O.

#### FOR FURTHER INVESTIGATION

"I am a recent convert, but my parents are non-Catholics and in all probability will remain so. At 3.30 a.m. today I was called to the bedside of my father, 70 years old. His condition was very grave. I had taken with me a nurse, a Catholic girl. We both noticed that my father had the 'death sweat' on his brow, the 'death rattle' was obvious, and all indications of death were evident. Unknown to my mother we applied blessed water from the National Shrine of the North American Martyrs at Auriesville, N. Y., to his face and lips and a relic of Kateri Tekakwitha, that I borrowed from Mrs. A. H., was applied. There were immediate signs of recovery. Respiration became normal and my father came out of his coma. All this was done five hours before the physician

came and before any medical aid was given. My father has shown improvement since then and physically he is none the worse, except that he only has to regain his strength. From all indications he will be out of bed tomorrow."

—Cincinnati.

#### FROM AFAR OFF

"I know I should not be placing so large an order. But I do want my people to know Kateri and Kateri to help them! I have the great and undeserved privilege of being resident pastor to the Mopan Mayas in this reservation. At one period several years ago Father Stevenson was the first resident pastor here. They are wonderful people. I am trying to learn the language and at the same time make them literate in their own language. Hurricane in 1945 did much damage to the mission. I hope through Kateri's help to be able to build a decent school some day. So far my prime concern has been the health of the people. I came here in the middle of December of 1945. In that year one out of ten had died. Births were forty-five per cent. of number of deaths. At which rate the tribe would have been extinct within a few years. By turning doctor and by much care the tide has turned. Now I want Kateri—Xcatalina to us—to teach them to pray more and love more. All of which I tell you that I may beg your prayers for these people and that Kateri be glorified in and by the Mayas."

—San Antonio, British Honduras.

#### HOME, SWEET HOME

"Several months ago we received two favors through the intercession of little Kateri. We received a refund of cash which seemed impossible to get, and then serious sickness was averted through our getting a more suitable apartment when it was very near impossible to find any place to live for the winter."

—Snoqualmie, Wash.

"I pray to her daily and especially when I need help. She always answers my prayers."

—Pittsburgh.

"Enclosed is in thanksgiving for a very great favor obtained through Catherine."

—Lima, O.

"I am still receiving favors through her intercession. May her Cause continue to grow and spread."

—Marion, O.

"The little W. boy, to whom you sent a relic in May, 1946, has not had any more trouble."

—Daly City, Cal.

"Enclosed is the last payment to Kateri, the little Indain Maiden, in recognition for many incredible favors granted me through prayers to her."

—New Orleans.

"I promised a donation in thanksgiving for a very special favor received. Catherine is wonderful, she has never failed me."

—New Orleans.

"An offering for a Holy Mass in her honor for a special intention. Kateri Tekakwitha has helped me several times."

—San Diego, Cal.

"I have not heard from the friend who borrowed my relic some time back, but I did hear that her daughter, who was suffering from a nervous breakdown, was greatly improved."

—Carencro, La.

"My sister was undergoing a major operation and at the same time my brother-in-law was critically ill. I prayed to her for help and my prayers were answered."

—Trinidad, Colo.

"My Dad and Mother have improved in health with the help of Venerable Tekakwitha's intercession. I have great hopes that she will aid my brothers to return to the faith."

—Tulsa, Okla.

"Enclosed please find donation in thanksgiving for favors received through Little Catherine. I have a picture of her that holds first place honors with the Sacred Heart in our living-room."

—Chicago.

"The other offering is in thanksgiving for some extra dividends we received and for some work for one son while attending college. We can never be grateful enough for the numerous favors we have received from Tekakwitha."

—Kansas City, Mo.

#### ADDITIONAL FAVORS

Property Sale	1	Cures	2
Financial Aid	3	Relief in Distress	6
Spiritual	1	Not Specified	51

#### PETITIONS

Cures	5	Relief in Distress	3
Financial Aid	7	Employment	2
Apartment	4	Not Specified	20

#### Obituary

Most Rev. W. J. Fitzgerald, S.J., Alaska.

Rt. Rev. Msgr. Peter Guilday, Washington, D. C.

Rev. John Brosnan, New York, N. Y.

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