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The Child in Heaven.

My little child, so long away, How thou hast forgotten me! And how some Mother foot in Heaven Plays kissing games with thee? Then does it seem, the playing done, The hour is come for rest, And that as yellow as the moon, Thy head lies on her breast.

A Conflict in Duty.

Now Parsons, said the master of Morton's Mills in his impetuous, this matter of a watchman is a very serious one. I am sick and tired of this watchman business. Is it possible to get a really reliable man? 'Mr. Morton,' said Parsons, 'I have outside now in the reception room a man who will, I believe, fill the bill. Look at his recommendations! 'Oh, recommendations don't go any more. They all have them. 'Well, look at his, Mr. Morton. 'Oh!' said Morton, as he glanced over the letter. 'This is from my old friend Johnson, who recently closed his factory and retired from business. It certainly does recommend this man John McGrath most highly. He was in their employment for eight years. Ask him to walk in. 'A wiry looking red haired little Irishman, not over five feet six in height, entered the mill owner's office, and stood like a soldier at attention. Morton cast a quick but comprehensive glance at him, and asked him to be seated. 'You are John McGrath? 'Yes, sir. 'How old? 'Forty-five. 'H'm,' said Morton. 'Married or single? 'Married, sir, about a year. I have a fine little boy, a month old; but the wife is ailing something bad, sir, and— 'Yes, yes, that's it!' broke in the mill owner impulsively. 'Always the way! There's always something! Now see here, McGrath. I've had eight watchmen—or is it nine, Parsons?—in the last two years. One or two were dishonest; one always nags his wife or child; one was beaten—poor fellow—and nearly killed by that mysterious gang. I have been the sufferer all along. Last month alone we were robbed of over three thousand dollars' worth of merchandise. Now, you, McGrath, how are you going to do the work any better for me? You were with my old friend, Mr. Johnson, for eight years. That means a great deal, of course; but what guaranty have I of you being any better than the others? 'During this explosive tirade from Morton, McGrath, with just the suspicion of a smile upon his humorous face, had listened attentively. 'Well, sir,' said he, 'I'm a little man; I say you take that in when I entered the room. But that has never stopped me. I've got here me honorable discharge from my regiment, sir, and he handed over for inspection his papers received from a famous regiment with which men of his race have been identified for years. 'All this is very good, very good, McGrath. But you watchmen all have excuse for shirking suddenly. Mind, I don't wish to be personal. Now, you have a month's old child and a sick wife. 'Sure yes, I have that, God bless them!' said McGrath. 'What have I got to go on? You know I have been robbed, chiselled, and cheated, through the dishonesty, cowardice, and stolidity of my watchmen. What guaranty, I repeat, can you give that you will do your work well? What will prevent your leaving me in what may prove my hour of need? McGrath rose from where he sat, advanced a step or two. 'Me wurd a all I can give ye.' 'McGrath,' said Morton, after a moment's reflection, you may go on duty to-night. The superintendent escorted forth with the new watchman to the best which he was to take up later, that is, from seven p. m. until six a. m. He was shown the little office in the mill, in which telephone messages could be sent and received, it necessary all night. In short, his routine was mapped out and thoroughly explained. It was a murky, cloudy night the new watchman went on duty at the mill, which were situated in a lonely quarter of the town. There was a definite and professional air about the little man as he carefully patrolled his beat. All went well until about ten o'clock, when he noticed a man skulking on the opposite side of the street. McGrath observed him quickly, but went on steadily in his monotonous routine, looking forward, nevertheless, to the morning hour, when he could again be with his sick wife and his baby.

A sharp ring came on the telephone in the little room in the mill. McGrath unlocked the door, entered, and took down the receiver. 'Is this you, McGrath? This is Father Kelly calling you up. I am here, also the doctor. The wife is sinking. It came suddenly John. Don't worry, my poor man; but try and get here at once. Your duty? Of course I know. Get your boss or the superintendent on the phone, and get them to send some one in your place. There'll be time. 'Not mind, bear up, my boy, bear up and be the same man I've always known you to be.' McGrath hung up the receiver. 'Go, go, go! This is paramount. Go, go, now! This outcurses all else. 'He shook himself as one would shake off an oppressive dream, and strode up to the telephone. 'Give me to Grey,' said he. 'I want Mr. Morton. 'Gone out, you say? You don't know where; and you don't know when he'll be back? For the love of God get him at the earliest minute! Tell him McGrath's wife is dying, and that he wants to be relieved at once.' McGrath then tried to find the superintendent of the mills on the telephone; but he had gone out of town for the night. Turning out the electric lights, and locking the door, McGrath went on his beat again. 'Once more that tempting whisper came to him. Now it grew until it became a tumult in his breast. It was the call of the home. 'My wurd, my duty!' he muttered between clenched teeth. 'Home, home, home!' it kept shouting to him, until it bleated into a fearsome, husky cry behind his back. 'Do him, Jimmy! Do up the greeny!' A man grasped him round the waist; and McGrath, with the energy of a tiger, threw him off, and dealt him a fearful blow with his right stick. The man staggered back into the darkness. 'But two others came up to the watchman with a rush. One held a revolver. 'Throw up your hands!' he whispered. 'Never!' shouted McGrath. 'Then die, you fool!' hissed the other as he sprang before falling. McGrath fired through his overcoat pocket the shot that stretched the ruffian dead in his tracks. The third man fled. By a supreme effort McGrath dragged himself to the door of the little office. How he ever managed to unlock the door is something almost unaccountable. How he hung on so long to the telephone shelf would be too painful to relate. He rang up the police headquarters. 'Come to Morton's Mills at once! It's me,' he gasped. 'McGrath, the new watchman! Have killed burglar! He's shot me! Get Mr. Morton here! Take me home—home—home.' He sank an exert man, upon the floor. There was a blaze of acetylene lamps, the throbbing of giant motor cars before the doors of Morton's Mills. 'Well, I'll be hanged!' Mr. Morton, said the sergeant, 'but your new watchman has killed the wickedest burglar and cutthroat in this State! He's nailed the man that none of us could get these past five years. Oh, here's the poor fellow!' he added, as they found the watchman on the floor of the little room. The mill-owner, the sergeant, also the doctor and Father Kelly gathered round the dying man and administered to him the last rites of his Church. McGrath was perfectly conscious. The physician's work restored him for a time, and the Church officers