A Little Metal Crucifix

A little metal crucifly. As plain as it can be, But only God in Heaven know How dear it is to me.

I have it always with me, In every step I take, At evening when I slumber, At morning when I wake.

In bright or cloudy weather, In sunshine or in rain, In happiness or in sorrow, In pleasure or in pain.

It helps me in my struggles, It reproves me when I sin, Its look of gentle patience Rebukes the strife within.

In days of pain and anguish The greatest help I knew Was to hold that little crucifix Until I calmer grew.

And looking on that Figure, Which hung in patience there I saw the dreadful torture Which He in love did bear.

His feet are nailed together, His loving arms outspread, And Blood is dropping slowly Down from His thorn-crowne Head.

And how could I then murmur Or bitterly complain When love for me induced Him To undergo such pain?

* So when the time approaches That I will have to die, I hope that little crucifix

Will close beside me lie; That the Holy Name of Jesus May be the last I say; And kissing that dear crucifix,

My soul may pass away. -Caroline Harris Gallagher

Father Fadden's Invalid

announced Michael.

Father Ladden looked up from his account book with a relieved air. He was trying to be systematic, for he had suddenly realized that one of his great spiritual defects was his irregularity Father Henderson had told him

"I told him that was a great fault of his." Father Henderson confided to Monsignor Ewing. "I felt that I had to say something to him to cheer him up."

Wrestling with debits and credits was a most uninteresting affair: and after a week's failure to strike anything like a balance, Father Ladden had decided to give it up.

There's a fellow to see you," gular man in you," he breathed Michael repeated, and he added softly, "and I do believe you his own opinion, unsolicited as when you say you will do this forusual. "He don't make much of this poor sick girl, and that you

a hit with me." "Show him into my drawing- you." room, Michael," the pastor bantered, and from all the things failure. Everybody said being on this glad, green earth

with you."

Father Ladden followed Michael into the "drawing room," There, in one of the two steady to cheer the invalid up from boasted, sat a man. Father Ladden looked keenly at him. Yes, it was the uninvited guest of the other night.

"How do you do," said the priest in greeting. "How are yuh?" returned the

mind?" asked Father Ladden "Have you decided that you need the 'tin,' after all ?"

"Naw!" answered the other. "I suppose," the man spoke up after a few seconds, "that you are wondering what in thunder I'm here for.

"No. I'm not. You're here to visit me, and-I'm glad."

"Do you remember the other night, when I called on vuh?" "Somewhat!"

yu hin the act of counting out the money for fresh air and fresh thinking it over. Being so quite eggs for some dame wot had to and so lazy here, I've had time have 'em ?"

"Mary Russel, perhaps?" "That's the one. Well, I've been doin' some tall thinkin' since that night when yuh spoiled a good job fer me. And I've been a-wonderin' how I could get back and have another spiel with yuh. And I gets a-thinkin' to

Bob Leonard, says I to myself, "if you should cash in to day and take up six feet of good

An Ancient Foe To health and happiness is Scrofula—
as ugly as ever since time immemorials to carry on things my own way.

It causes bunches in the neck, dis—
I gave up my body to God, but igures the skin, inflames the mucous nembrane, wastes the muscles, weakns the bones, reduces the power of cided to change things. I have esistance to disease and the capacity abandoned myself to His loving

Iood's Sarsaparilla ull rid you of it, radically and per-

earth fer a grave, could yuh say to verself that there was one good han's turn ye ever did to any guy or any dame on the face of the earth?' And believe ne, Priest, I had to answer 'No! And so I thinks to myself: There's that priest fellow, wot's so interested in me that he's worrying how I'll appear at the Lay of Judgment. And here's me, wot don't give a blow fer the

Day of Judgment, either mornin' or afternoon.' And so, I lays a bet with myself. Says I to myself, That priest was a decent guy, the gamiest pickin's I ever ran into; and just to show him that I'm there all right, I'm goin' to find a job and get some money that won't land me in the "pen if the higher-ups ever trace it. Here's a ten-spot to show what

laying bricks will do. Now this this is the proposition I'm going to make to you. Send Russel dame to the country, and each week I'll give you ten dollars to slip on to her; and I'll keep doin' it until she is either cured or cashes in. Are yuh

Father Ladden looked at the nan. Deep down in his heart he prayed earnestly for light, for the wonderful moment with the wrong word, Then he reached out his hand took the dirty bill that his guest of the other night

"I think it's a dandy scheme," e said, "and if she gets well you'll be God's instrument."

"Nix on the noise, Leonard eloquently commanded. "You know, it's only a bet I got on wid myself to do the right thing by yuh, and I suppose the best thing a guy could do for yuh is to let yuh do something for somebody

Father Ladden put his strong white hand in Leonard's thick,

"You've the making of a rewill do it honestly. I do believe

that Father Ewing must have Early in life she had wanted to taught you, I'm surprised to hear be a nun-"in a strict order," she that there is even one human had explained—but duties that were nearer at hand had preventof ours who does not 'make a hit' ed her. Later, she had relinquished her ides. The brood of children that her sister left to her care put dreams and fancies far from her mind, Father Ladden often visited her and had tried both a material and spiritual point of view. It was early now

when he entered. "Mary," he asked, "how would you like to get well-really

Mary looked at him, a question in her eyes, a smile on her straight lips. But she did not

"Is your tongue cleaved to the roof of yer mouth?" demanded her sister. "Speak up girl."
Mary smiled softly.

"Father Ladden has often told ne that the whole reason of my failure-and especially my spiritual failure—was that I did not let go. You remember. Father? You told me that I was too set on the kind of spirituality I wanted. You told me that I set

my mind on being a nun-a cloistered nun in a strict orderand that God had set His mind "Do you remember I caught on my not being one, and He won. Well, Father, I've been



to think, and oh, Father, I see I kept my mind; and so I've demercy, and if He a help to them hich kept growing deeper and kept them He wants me to stay on being om going to school for three months. all, blessed be His name; and il sick and being a burden to Kat-

and John and the children in stead of a help to them all blessed be His name; and if He wants me to die, blessed be His name! My heart is so happy, Father, because I've let go. feel myself riding along in the swift current of His will, and it seems to me that all things necessary will come to me because He is arranging affairs, now that I

Father Ladden sat down be-

work in which he was interested now. It was the conversion of isl "guest."

I'd like to make a saint out im," he confided to himself. And here before him lay the chance to have someone pay for it, if she

"Well, Mary," he said at last. I have news for you. You are o go to Texas!"

"To Texas?" echoed Kate She had only heard of Texas in a vague sort of a way. To her it was a wild, vast expanse where cattle roamed wildly, and which was altogether different from Chicago. It seemed as vaque as Mars, and almost as distant.

"Yes, to Texas," repeated Father Ladden. "I shall pay her fare and a friend of mine has offered to pay her ten dollars a week all the time she is there: and I believe, between us all. that we can, with the help of A God, make a well child out of

Mary closed her eyes. In her eart of hearts it was her desire

Abandoning ourselves to the will of God is wonderful, Father. Father Ladden smiled. "It is

the sweetest of devotions to me ne said, "but I must admit that I could practice it better." "And when can I go?"

"Tomorrow," answered Father "I couldn't get her clothe

eady so soon," put in Kate. "Can't we make it Monday? "Well, if it must be," the priest replied, "but that's the

It seemed more like a dream than anything else. Mary had religiously taken the olive oil every two hours, and just as religiously eaten the raw eggs. The Pullman porters were as polite to her as though they were sure of a tip. It would be twenty more stations before they would pull in at Joyville, Texas. Mary pulled out the letter that Father Ladden had written to the resident priest there. He did not know him, but he had gotten his name from the Catholic Directory and so it served DISTEMPER the purpose. Mary read the let-

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Sienna's Church.' It was a nice letter, and she oped the pastor of Joyville would not be any more formidable than-

"Joyville!" called the conductor, and Mary got off. "Where's the town," she asked native who served in the triple

capacity of station agent, sheriff nd storekeeper. The station-agent part of him made ready to answer her, while the sheriff and storekeeper part of him eyed her suspiciously.

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month. He's visiting." "Visiting," echoed Mary. "Sure, visiting. Ye know this ain't the only place he's got." "Isn't it?" asked Mary.

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