The Ballad of Father Gilligan

The old priest, Father Gilligan, Was weary night and day; For half his flock were in their beds.

Or under green sods lay. Once while he nodded in a chair At the moth-hour of eve,

Another poor man sent for hin And he began to grieve.

"I have no rest, nor joy, nor For people die and die." And after cried he; "God for

My body spake, not I." And then half-lying on the chair, He knelt, prayed, fell asleep; And the month-hour went from the fields

And stars began to peep. Then slowly into millions grew And leaves shook in the wind;

And God covered the world with And whispered to mankind.

The old Priest, Father Gilligan, as Jacob and David Aquinas.' Stood upright on the floor.

"Mavrone, mavrone, the man has side, -more than brothers." While I slept on the chair.'

He roused his horse out of its sleep, And rode with little care.

He rode now as he never rode, By rocky lane and fen; The sick man's wife opened the door:

"Father! you come again?" "And is the poor man dead?" he eried. "He died an hour ago."

The old priest, Father Gilligan, In grief swayed to and fro. and died,

As merry as a bird.' The old priest, Father Gilligan, He knelt him at that word. "He who hath made the night of

For souls who tire and bleed. To help me in my need.

'He who is wrapped in purple

With planets in his care, Had pity on the least of things Aleep upon a chair." -William Butler Yeatc.

More Than Brothers

(Sarah Frances Ashburton, in The Ave Maria.) Concluped

are dead. The people turned me there still; and all day long he into the street, after they had wrote and wrote figures in his taken them away in the dead ledgers. He gave loans to the wagon and flung them into a Emperor and the Pope. He had ditch. I saw them covered with acquired great wealth, and robmud and dirt.'

" 'Did they die of cholera?' " 'I den't know,' said the boy, But they were very sick. Since then I have gone from door to door begging my bread. " 'How old are you?'

" 'Maybe six, maybe seven My two front teeth have fallen out, as my mother told me they are wise in protecting by force would when I was seven.'

"He opened his mouth, dis-

not help smiling. " 'And how came you here?'

your story. I would come and pray to Our Caesar. Blessed Mother-as my

came there was the bread. Every frieze represented the most honday since I have some and have always found a big slice.' "At that moment Jacob ap-

peared on the pathway.

priest. 'Here is the hungry fellow who has been eating the bread you leave for the Blessed both father and mother; and com- of red wool, his furred cloak; ing to pray to the Mother of God, she has answered him, as you see. From the resemblance tween you, one might think you were brothers. Would you like EMUISSON a companion Jacob?

"Yes, Father, Jacob replied extending his little hand to the other child.

MINARDS LINIMENT CURES BURNS, ETC.

Aching Joints in the fingers, toes, arms, and other parts of the body, are joints that are nflamed and swollen by rheumatism

that acid condition of the blood which affects the muscles also. Sufferers dread to move, espe

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Removes the cause of rheumatism-sutward application can. Tabe is,

" 'Very well; you will be th elder, and henceforward you are brothers. There is a room in my house for another inmate, and who knows but that one day you may both dedicate yoursolf to God's service? Now, what is your name, my little fellow?' he inquired, turning to the boy.

" 'David,' said the child. " 'Your other name?' " 'I do not know.'

" 'Very well. As Iacob does not know his either, I shall call Upon the time of sparrow chirp, you by the name of a great Doc-When the moths came once tor of the Church-Aquinas. Henceforward you shall be known

"The boys grew up side by

might well say, as they never had the slightest disagreement and loved each other as brothers seldom do. Instructed by their kind friend and pastor, they made good progress in their studies; and when Jacob was sixteen both went to the Petit Seminaire to prepare for the priesthood. A peculiar disease of the stomach prevented the younger from becoming a priest, but I very much doubt whether, in the capacity in which he lived among you for

"He has now gone to join his parents and my own heaven, and to meet once more the saintly and charitable soul who plucked us both from the mire and wickedness of the highway,-Sent one of his great angels drew us from the terrible whirlpool of the world, which would certainly have engulfed us, if that kindly hand had not been extended to feed and clothe and shelter us, and teach us the way

The Loaves for the Poor.

Years ago in the city of Florence lived Nicholas Nerli the banker.

At six in the morning, when

the church bell rang for Terce, he sat at his desk, and at nine " My own father and mother when it rang for None, he was bed many people. And so he was honored in the city Florence. He lived in a palace where the light that God made entered but through narrow windows; and this was prudence for the dwelling of the rich should be like a citadel, and those who have much wealth

what they have gained by craft. So the place of Nicholas Nerli playing a gap. The priest could was provided with iron gates and chains. Within, the walls

were decorated by clever artists He asked. Tell me the rest of with paintings of the virtues the patriarch's, the prophets, and the kings of Israel. Tapestry, tell, except that I was nearly hung in the rooms, displayed the dying of hunger, and I thought histories of Alexander and

But in the city were the riches of Nicholas Nerli displayed in pious foundations. He had built outside the walls, a hospital, the orable action of his life; and in gratitude for the sums of money he had given towards the completion of Santa Maria Novella his portrait hung in the choir of

that church. And there he might be seen kneeling, with his hands clasped Mother and the Child Jesus, at the feet of the Holy Virgin But, like yourself, he has lost he was easily known by his cap

as a winter remedy. It has the same invigorating and strength-producing ef-fect in summer as in winter. Try it is a little cold milk or

his fat face, and his small, keen yes. His good spouse, Mona Bismantova, with a quiet sad air, was at the other side of the

statue, in an attitude of prayer. This man was one of the forenost citizeus of the republic; and as he had never spoken against the laws, and as he cared not a jot about the poor or those whom the rulers condemned to fine o banishment, nothing had lessened in the opinion of the magistrates the esteem he had acquired by

Coming home one winter ight later than usual. surrounded at the very his place by a troop of hal naked beggars, who stretched out their hands for help. scoffs he bade them be But hunger had made them bold and fierce as wolves. Gathering ound him a circle, they denanded bread, in voices hoarse and sad. He stooped down to pick up stones to cast at them, when he saw one of his servants approach carrying a basket of

nen, cooks and gardeners. Making signs for him to draw near, he took the loaves in hand fuls and threw them among the beggars. Then, entering the

poor, black loaves for the stable-

ouse, he went to bed and slept In his sleep he was struck with appoplexy and died so suddenly that he thought he was still in his bed. He saw, in place, silent from its very brightless, St. Michael gleaming with light that streamed from his

The Archangel, a balance in his hand, was filling the scales. Recognizing in the heavier scale. the jewels of widows which he kept in pledge, a heap of coins which he had unjustly retained. and certain very fine pieces of twenty-five years, he did not do gold which he alone possessed, more good for his fellow-men and had acquired by usury fraud, Nicholas Nerli felt sure that St. Michael was at that moment weighing before his eyes the life he had just laid down. He became grave and

> "Good St. Michael," he said 'If you are putting in one scale all the gains I have made when alive, put in the other, please, the beautiful foundations by which I so magnificently displayed my piety. Don't forget, either, the dome of Santa Marie Novella, quite a third of which was at my cost, nor my hospital outside the walls, which was

built wholly at my expense." "Fear not, Nicholas Nerli, said the Archangel: "I will for get nothing."

And with his glorious hand he put in the lighter scale the dome of Santa Maria and the nospital with its sculptured and painted frieze. But the scale did not descend?

The banker was vividly and oignantly uneasy.

"Good St. Michael," he said again, "look a little farther vet. You have not put in the scale my beautiful holy-water font, nor the pulpit of St. Andrew's where the Baptism of our Lord is represented, life-size. That

work cost me much money.' The Archangel put the puipit and the holy-water font in the cale; it did not fall lower

Nicholas Nerli began to fee is brow wet with a cold sweat. "Good Archangel," he asked are you certain your balance is ccurate ?"

St. Michael answered with smile that, although his balance was different from that used by Venetian money-changers, it was still quite accurate. "What?" sobbed out Nicholas

Nerli, pale with dread, "this dome, this pulpit, the holy-water font, this hospital with all it oeds-are they no heavier than whish of straw or a handful of

"You can see for yourself Nicholas," said the Archangel, and so far the load of your ini quities overweighs by much the slight load of your good works,' "Then I must go to hell," said

the Florentine, and his teeth chattered with fear. "One moment!" heavenly presence, "wait. have not done yet. There is

And St. Michael took the black leaves which the rich man that very evening had thrown to the poor. He put them in the scale of the good works, other scale lifted until both level. The beams leaned

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neither to right nor left, and the needle marked the perfect equipoise of the two scales. The banker could not believe nis eyes.

The Archangel said: "You see. Nicholas Nerli, you are fit neither for heaven nor for hell. Go back to Florence. Multiply in the city the loaves you gave last night, and let none know it, and you will be saved, For heaven does not open merely to the thief who repents. The nercy of God is infinite; it can save even the rich! Multiply among the poor those loaves of which you have seen the weight

in my scales." Nicholas Nerli awoke in his bed. He resolved to follow the council of the Archangel, and to multiply the loaves of the poor, that he might enter the Kiugdom of Heaven.

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