



TALES OF THE JURY ROOM

By Gerald Griffin THE FIFTH JURYMEN'S TALE.

DRINK, MY BROTHER

CHAPTER IV

Turning into a narrow bridge road, they proceeded for some minutes in silence, the clergyman with difficulty preventing his horse from stumbling over the huge stones and masses of broken earth that filled the track.

Amid all his thoughtlessness and violence," he said to himself, "I have detected traces of a bitter spirit, that makes it seem impossible he should proceed to such atrocious lengths.

In the meantime Richard continued to sleep profoundly on the uneven resting-place, which he had taken up within the ruined kiln.

Again he thought he was seated in the cabin, where he had left the Pounder. He was alone and meditating on the deed to which the latter sought to urge him.

Still the connection of his dream continued. He entered on the gay and dissipated course of life which had been for so long a time the object of his ambition.

He did not however find it such. In the midst of his tumultuous delights remorse haunted him, and the memory of what he had done was for ever present to his soul.

Wearied out by the incessant strife, sick of his disappointed hopes, and stung almost to madness by tormenting recollections, a settled gloom and melancholy at length took possession of his mind.

One evening, scourged in spirit by such thoughts, he sought relief by walking out alone by the river side. Insensibly he found himself pursuing the same path, which he had actually followed during his walk on the preceding evening.

The terrible dream continued with the same consecutive distinctness. He now thought, that while he still gazed as if spell-bound on the features of the awful figure, it returned his gaze, and slowly descending the steps of the altar, approached the spot on which he stood, bearing in his upturned hands the silver chalice which he used during the sacred ceremony.

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The fellow arose with a sullen look, and after muttering something which he could not distinctly hear, departed from the house. Richard then turning to his feet, confessed with sentiments of the deepest remorse, the whole extent of his criminality, relating at the same time the temptations by which he had been assailed, and the awful dream of which he had been recalled from the very verge of ruin.

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While this was passing Father John continued his journey towards the place appointed, still unable to persuade himself that any evil was really intended him. The night had already changed to wind and rain.

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ing caused the latter to leave the house while he received the confession of the penitent, he drew forth a low rush-bottomed chair close to the bedside, and prepared to enter on the office of the ministry. Before doing so, he knelt, as was usual with him, for a few moments to offer up a customary prayer. In this attitude he did not perceive what was done by the pretended penitent, who arose softly from his pallet, and drawing from beneath the bed-clothes a large and pointed knife, he lifted the right hand and leaned forward to reach the spot on which the priest was kneeling.

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The merriest bird on bush or tree was Robin of the grove. When, in the jocund spring-time, he sang to his nesting love. Unknown he the art of frame Methodic numbers vain, But as each varied feeling came He wove it in his strain.

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SEXAGESIMA SUNDAY THE USAGES OF THE FAST

My grace is sufficient for thee; for power is made perfect in infirmity (2 Cor. xii. 9)

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Many are the lessons we can learn from this text. When we see the great Apostle of the Gentiles engaged in a hard conflict with the demon of impurity, it shows us that God does not spare in this respect even His most chosen servants...

But, on the other hand, these temptations teach us what we are in ourselves, or rather what we should be without the aid of God's grace...

TEMPERANCE THE EVILS OF INTEMPERANCE The campaign, which is being waged against alcoholic intemperance in almost every country in the civilized world, is resulting in much good...

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