


The Little Maid



The little maid who swept the floor
And did the tasks of drudgery
Saw Mary turned from the inn's door
Where she sought hospitality.

And going to her simple room
She stripped the blanket from her bed,
And went out through the silent gloom
To where a star's white gleaming led.

And lo, upon a bed of straw,
Within a wayside stable bright,
A new-born sleeping Babe she saw
That filled her heart with strange delight.

She spread her blanket o'er the Child,
And knelt beside the shepherds there,
As holy Mary sweetly smiled
And thanked her for her tender care.

And as she went back to the inn
A light was glowing in her eyes
For something told her she had been
Quite close to God in Paradise.

And passing years could not erase
Those features from her memory,
For it was she who wiped His face
When He went up to Calvary. (T.E.B.)

In the Nick of Time

A phone call came in Monday with an appeal for a poor family living not too far from the campus. A two-months-old baby has little clothing, a lad in the Catholic school in town is undernourished and must leave school unless his diet is more steady, and another lad is confined home with a serious illness. We immediately put to work some of last Sunday's Christmas Collection for the Poor. The baby will now have ample clothing and the youngsters will have a full stomach for a while.

It seems that a few students came to Mass last Sunday without their money. Not wishing to miss an opportunity to help the poor, they hurried to their rooms after Mass, sliced a bill from their roll, slipped it into an envelope and brought it to the Prefect of Religion. No one, but a number of students slipped offerings under the door of 117 Dillon. We are happy to see this evidence of so many good hearts. God will reward everyone who contributed to this collection.

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'12, serious. Nine special lnts.

