

Bellefonte, Pa., March 12, 1897.

A QUIET PORT.

There lies a quiet port across the sea, Where the proud sail is furled, Where the bright banner flares and flutters no more...

MICKIE FINNEGAN'S WIDOW.

Half an hour before little Mickie Finnegan made his unexpected exit from this curious world he called for his wife. Bending over his pillow the young woman kissed his blood-stained lips and asked him what he wanted.

After the funeral Nell had seven dollars in money and the sympathy of every other woman in the big town. A month later both money and sympathy had disappeared.

Just then Mame Murphy opened the door and entered the room. Mame lived with her mother in the rooms across the hall. All the other women in the house talked about Mame. All save Nell.

"Say, Nell," said Mame, "how's yourse an' der baby fella' dis aft' yer both 'bout as cheerful lookin' as a funeral."

"How?" inquired Nell. "Ye gits yourse an' der museum over on de Bowery," answered Mame.

"That's a queer lot. Give her a red rose or shawl, her a baby and she's happy as a queen. Show her a diamond ring, a roll of money and she'll try to scratch your eyes out."

When Mame returned with the medicine the baby was asleep and Nell was clad in the clinging folds of her wedding gown.

The Confession of James Monks.

Two weeks ago the WATCHMAN published an account of the various hangings that have been made in Bellefonte since the construction of Centre county and in that of James Monks, the second murderer to expiate his crime on the gallows, the "Confession" was referred to.

"Nell," answered Mame, "yourse guys know dat Nell's got de most votes an' dat she's got a right to 'em. Jest look at her. Aint she's pretty as a picture?"

"And now, ladies and gentlemen," he continued, "I take great pleasure in announcing that Miss Nellie here is the lady who has won the prize for being the most beautiful and charming young woman among the contestants. She wins the ring."

Old Mrs. Murphy was seated in a low chair at the head of the baby's crib. The lamp on the table was turned low, and the place dimly lighted.

"Oh, Mrs. Murphy!" cried Nell. "Wot do yer tink? I wun de ring, an' old Isaacs says dat I kin soak it for \$75! Me an' baby's goin' to der country. Mye's rich, Mrs. Murphy. She's!"

"Go over to Ward's Island and give one of the keepers a liberal tip. He will take you to a woman—a young woman with black hair and a face as white as chalk. Question the keeper and this is what he will tell you:

"The tenor told me yesterday that unless he could get an increase of \$100 on his salary next year he wouldn't sing. What shall I tell him?"

"Ella, you have been playing all the afternoon with these toy soldiers. That's not a proper amusement for a big girl like you," said her mother.

"The king of the Cannibal Islands had a letter held for postage, and he got mad and roasted the postmaster. What time was it?"

The Milk in the Cocoa-Nut.

From the Easton Sentinel. Governor Hastings has sought the advice of a number of the richest men of the State relative to what action the Legislature ought to take in the erection of a new capitol building.

Carnegie alluded to the capitol of New York at Albany costing upwards of twenty millions of dollars, and we have no doubt he is willing our State can pay as much, if he can only lend it the cash wherewith to do it.

Tourists.

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