

YOUNGER BROTHER

I never want to hear that song or her name again.

(HE rushes into the house as GRANDFATHER passes through the garden.)

GRANDFATHER

I guess he met her.

(GRANDFATHER exits.)

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START → THE LITTLE BOY

Is Evelyn Nesbit the Harlot of Babylon?

MOTHER

Where did you hear that?

THE LITTLE BOY

I read it in one of Uncle's magazines.

MOTHER

I don't want you going in his room. I'm sure Evelyn Nesbit is a very nice person. She's just confused. She's strayed from the path.

THE LITTLE BOY

What path?

MOTHER

The right path. The one we all want to be on if only we could and if only it weren't so difficult.

THE LITTLE BOY

Not for women it's not. Men are tested almost every day of their Christian lives.

MOTHER

Not everyone's a Christian. You know that.

THE LITTLE BOY

They are in New Rochelle.

(A plane flies above, advertising an appearance by HOUDINI. MOTHER starts digging in the earth.)

#5c - Houdini's Airplane

THE LITTLE BOY

Houdini! Houdini's coming! Can we go? I'll do anything. Please!

MOTHER

We'll see.

(THE LITTLE BOY calls up to HOUDINI's plane as it circles overhead.)

THE LITTLE BOY

Warn the Duke!

(HE stands watching the plane disappear overhead as we hear it fly away. MOTHER looks at him, troubled.)

MOTHER

Edgar! Why did you say that?

THE LITTLE BOY

I don't know.

MOTHER

What did you mean, "Warn the Duke"?

THE LITTLE BOY

I don't know.

MOTHER

The things you children say. Read Father's letter if you're not going to tell me.

THE LITTLE BOY

"Dear Mother. This letter will reach you via the supply ship ERIK..."

#6 - What Kind of Woman

(MOTHER has stopped digging in the earth. She has found something.)

MOTHER

Get Kathleen.

THE LITTLE BOY

What's wrong?

MOTHER

← END

Get Kathleen, I tell you.

(THE LITTLE BOY runs into the house. KATHLEEN, the Irish maid, and YOUNGER BROTHER join MOTHER. In silence, they look at the swaddled infant MOTHER is holding in her arms.)

KATHLEEN

Oh Holy Mother!