

THE LONELY PASSION OF JUDITH HEARN 2 - 1

SHE

Jim, are you off to the twelve o'clock?

HE

I don't think so.

SHE

You're not going to mass at all?

HE

No.

SHE

Well, where are you off to?

HE

The lighthouse. To see the ships.

SHE

I'd like to walk along with you, if that's all right. All right? Is that all right?

HE

It's your nickel. You'll be missing your holy hour.

SHE

As a matter of fact I've been wanting to talk to you.

HE

Maybe I will go to mass.

SHE

Fine. Fine, maybe we can go together, if you've no objection.

HE

No.

SHE

I hope you won't think it forward of me. I've had the impression you were avoiding me.

HE

Where did you get that idea?

SHE

Well, you haven't been to breakfast for two days. I haven't seen you.

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HE
I had business, that's all.

SHE
I missed you.

HE
I was planning on going away, to Donegal.

SHE
To Donegal?

HE
Yeah. I had a letter yesterday, from an old friend, talking about a business deal.

SHE
When are you planning on running off to Donegal, may I ask?

HE
I'm not sure yet.

SHE
You know, I am interested in what you do Mr. Madden. So you made up your mind to go to Donegal and didn't have the decency to tell me.

HE
What's it to you if I want to go to Donegal or New York or anywhere? I might even go to New York.

SHE
New York! But you said you were going to stay here. Why last week you said...

HE
Last week was different.

SHE
I don't see how.

HE
Last week I thought I had a partner in a restaurant deal. This week I find out you've been stringing me along.

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SHE

Stringing you along. I don't understand.

HE

I hear from Bernie you're a measly piano teacher, is that right?

SHE

Yes, but I don't see what that has to do with it.

HE

I need a partner in this quick lunch joint. I thought you were on the level. Well are you? If you've got two thousand pounds we can talk business. You want to be partners with me?

SHE

No. It's impossible. I can't.

HE

Just like everybody else in this town.

SHE

But I never said...

HE

It's okay. I'm off to Donegal, if that doesn't work out I'm going back to the States. I should have never come here.

SHE

I thought you were interested in me Jim. As a woman, I mean. I don't think you've behaved very well.

HE

Well. What do you mean well. I'm no dumb Mick you know.

SHE

I know. You took me out. You led me on, to think... all sorts of things.

HE

God, you've got this all wrong. I thought you were a fine woman. I never made any passes though did I? I was a gentleman. Let's get that straight.

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SHE

Then why? It's that awful sister of yours, turned you against me with talk of my drinking.

HE

I didn't need her to tell me you were drunk. I got ears.

SHE

It was because of you! She upset me with what she said about you. I had a drink to settle my nerves.

HE

That's your business. Look, rest here a minute, I'm not going to mass. I'll see you later.

SHE

No. You think I'm a drunkard. It's not true. It's not true. I hardly ever touch it. That's why.... I'd make you a good wife Jim. Really I would. I'd be a help to you. I don't care what you are, I don't care, I don't care.

HE

Who ever said anything about getting married?

SHE

But I thought..

HE

Listen Judy. Get a hold of yourself. I like you. I thought of you as a good friend. That's all. Marriage? At my age? At yours? Don't be crazy.

SHE

Oh my God.