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THE STRANGE STORY OF POOR SHEMUS.

By SEUMAS MACMANUS.

Nancy and Shemus were man and wife, and they lived all alone together, and they lived all alone together for forty years; but at length a ther for forty years; but at length a ther for forty years; but at length a ther for forty years; but at length a direct for forty years; but at length a ther for forty years; but at length a ther for forty years; but at length a direct for forty years; but at length a direct for forty years; but at length a few for bill direct for forty years; but at length a few for forty years were opened take the air, his eyes were opened take the air, his eye were opened take the air, his eyes were opened take the air, his eye were open

me it Sheikara and Sheikara and you'd have the pick of the parish. I'd take you myself."

"Is that true?" said Nancy.
"I pledge you my word," says Rosy, "I would."

"I would."

"How's that?" says Prince Connactive flowing past that case the with lovely trees, and birds singing in the branches, and you should have the ocean roaring up beside it.":

"Is that true?" said Nancy.
"I pledge you my word," says Rory. "I would."
"Oh, well, even if you would atself," says Nancy, "Shemus won't
be buried the morra, God help me,
for ten years to come yet."
"You've all that in your own
hands," says Rory.
"How's that?" says Nancy.
"Why you can kill him off," says
Rory.

Rory.
"I wouldn't have the ould creature's blood on my head," says

"Neither you need." says Rory.
And then he sat down and begun
to tell Nancy how she could do
away with Shemus and still not
have his blood on her head.
Now, there was a prince called
Connal, who lived in a wee red house
close by Nancy and Shemus, whose
fathers before him, ere their money
was wasted, used to live in a grand

next day over goes Nancy to So next day over goes Nancy to this prince, and to him says: "Why. Prince Connal, isn't it a shame to see the likes of you livin' in the likes of that house!"

"I know it is," said he, "but I cannot do any better."

"Botheration!" says Nancy, "you sessly can."

easily can."
"I wish you would tell me how,"

said Prince Connal.
"Why," says Nancy "there's my
Shemus has little or nothing to do,
an' why don't you make him build

castle?' a castle? a,' says the prince, laughing Shemus couldn't build me a

wee man, says he, "it's no harm to tell me anyhow."

So Shemus, to relieve his mind, ups and tells the wee man what Prince Connal had threatened to do to him if he had not a grand castle mished on that spot on three weeks Says the little man, says he, "Go to the Fairies' Glen at moomrise the night, and under the rockin' stone at the head of the glen you'll find a white rod. Take that rod with you and mark out the plan of the castle on this ground with it; then go back and leave the rod where you got it, and by the time you get back again your castle will be finished."

At moonrise that night, Shemus, as you may be well assured, was at the rockin' stone at the head of the glen of the fairies, and from under the got a little white rod. He went to the hill where the prince's castle was to be built, and with the plan of the castle, and then he went back and left the rod where he got it.

The next morning when Prince and bushes sprung up along the river banks. Then he blew the feather of his left hand, and trees and bushes were filled with all sorts and bushes were filled with all sor

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And everyone else slunk off home right heartily ashamed of them solves for the whole world was laughing at them.

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