

Written for the RECORD.

My Secret. Oh! harken awhile, I will tell you. A secret God whisper'd to me. That silver halcyon dew. That surrounds His throne as a sea. The shadows of evening were glowing. As soft and as serene as could be. The patient silently bowing. With head and with reverent knee!

MY CHRISTMAS AT BARNACKERRY.

"The docther calls it relievian-ter-him, but it's nothin' less nor the horrors av drinkin' Mrs. Muldoon. "An' he's that way agin, Mrs. Casey—collaps'd into infayrior demaynor agin, ma'am!" "Thurc for ye, ma'am," sez Mrs. Casey, comin' in for to cry. "An' might I take the liberty of axin', ma'am, what medical opinion yev got for yer man?" sez Mrs. Muldoon. "Well, I've the society docther."

"Well, the poor woman hadn't another wan pound wan cov'nant, an' had, more betoken, for to pay five shillin's for the combusticle that Huttie med up for oul' Casey, so she sez: "Whin ye come in the mornin', docther, I'll have the wan pound wan redly an' willin'!" sez she. "Have a care that it's redly," sez Huttie, "for yer man is in a critical state," sez he; "an' upon yer own admission he is a fine provider, the last ye can do, ma'am, is for to provide for him."

for her I had purchased a pretty little French watch, with its quaint fifteenth-century bracelet. I detest making useless presents. They are nothing short of encumbrances to the people who receive them. If donors would only give themselves the trouble of considering what will fit in, their gifts would receive a tenfold value. "Barnackerry is full to the gullet," cried Dolphin, rubbing his hands gleefully. "We have Joe French, our resident magistrate—a good sound opinion on a knotty point. We have Mr. and Mrs. Bokkin, of ohermore—you'll like Bokkin; he sings the 'Widow Macree' to perfection—the Keogh girls, who read Irish beauties. But you don't care for these things, Daly."

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