73. Hie Over To England

A hospitable man named Sean Long notices the "Good Folk" (fairies) gathering in his secluded kitchen to prepare for a robbery across the sea.

Sean watches them dip their fingers into a magical cup and chant “Each as gath dho-sa and Hie over to England,” flying out through the roof.

Wearing only his nightshirt, Sean copies the ritual and flies with them all the way to a London distillery, where he promptly gets drunk on the alcohol and falls asleep under a barrel.

Discovered by English authorities the next morning, he is imprisoned and put on trial, unable to communicate with the confused judge.

During the trial, Sean spots a tiny fairy man who drops through the courthouse roof and prompts him to say the reverse spell: “Each as gath dho-sa agus Hie over to Ireland”.

Sean recites the words, flies out through the courtroom roof to the terror of the onlookers, and safely lands back home in his nightshirt by early evening.

Themes:

Fairy transport spells and nighttime flights.

Human vulnerability to fairy vices (alcoholism).

Supernatural rescue from human legal systems.