

*(DUFFY stomps on HANNIGAN's foot. ORPHANS exit cheering.)*

**MISS HANNIGAN**

*(MISS HANNIGAN limps to a chair)*

She never misses. A fifty-thousand-dollar reward. A fifty thousand dollar reward! What I couldn't do with fifty thousand dollars. I hate that Annie so much you'd think I was her mother.

*(ROOSTER and LILY, in disguise as RALPH and SHIRLEY MUDGE enter.)*

**ROOSTER**

*(Trying not to reveal their faces)*

Excuse us, ma'am, we knocked upstairs but nobody answered. Are you the lady that runs this here orphanage?

**MISS HANNIGAN**

*(Rubbing her foot)*

Yeah.

**LILY**

Oh, Ralph, I'm scared. Somethin' coulda happened to her.

**ROOSTER**

Hush, Shirley. It's gonna be all right, Shirl. She's gonna be here and she's gonna be ours again.

*(To MISS HANNIGAN)*

Ma'am?

**MISS HANNIGAN**

Whatta ya want?

**ROOSTER**

Well, we had terrible troubles back then. We had to head North to Canada. Had to leave a baby here. On the front stoop.

**LILY**

Our little girl. Our Annie.



**MISS HANNIGAN**

*(Stunned)*

Annie. You're Annie's parents?

**LILY**

Please, nothin's happened to her?

**MISS HANNIGAN**

I can't believe it. Annie's parents. Where'd you say you come from again?

**ROOSTER**

We come from a little farm up in Canada...

**LILY**

Manitoba...

**ROOSTER**

... where they've got lots of chickens...

**LILY**

... little chickens...

**ROOSTER**

... and ducks...

**LILY**

...ducks...

**ROOSTER**

... and geese...

**LILY**

...Oh you should see all the geese...

**ROOSTER**

...and roosters.

*(ROOSTER crows and whips off HIS disguise and scares HANNIGAN who crosses downstage right to get a bottle of liquor out of fabric basket.)*

Gotcha, Sis!

**MISS HANNIGAN**

Oh, God, Rooster, I never woulda knowed it was you in a hundred years.



*(MISS HANNIGAN takes a swig from her bottle)*

**ROOSTER**

Fooled ya, Aggie. And we're gonna fool Warbucks, too.

*(ROOSTER sits in chair left of desk)*

**LILY**

Get ourselves fifty thousand big ones.

**ROOSTER**

*(More excited than HE'S ever been)*

This is gonna be the best bunco job ever, Aggie. I know a guy outta jail who can doctor up a fake birth certificate or any other papers you want. But we need your help, Sis, for details about Annie that can help us pull this thing off.

**MISS HANNIGAN**

*(Thinks a beat)*

Sure, I could help you. A lot. But what's in it for me...Ralph?

**ROOSTER**

Three way split, Aggie.

**MISS HANNIGAN**

*(After a long beat)*

Half.

**LILY**

*(Outraged)*

Half?

**MISS HANNIGAN**

*(Darkly)*

Half.

*(Gets bolt of fabric and goes after LILY, but is stopped by ROOSTER)*

**ROOSTER**

*(Trying to stop a brawl from breaking out)*

Half! Half! Half! Straight down the middle. Twenty-five grand each.



**(ROOSTER)**

But we gotta do it fast, Aggie. Give 'em some of the old Rooster razzle-dazzle. In and out. Two-three minutes at the most. Get the money, get the kid and get the hell outta town.

**MISS HANNIGAN**

Yeah, the kid, Annie. That's the problem. What would we do with her afterward?

**ROOSTER**

Aggie, that's no problem.

*(ROOSTER flips open a long switchblade knife)*

**LILY**

When the Rooster wants something to disappear, it disappears.

**ROOSTER**

*(With sleight-of-hand, he makes the knife disappear)*

For good.

**HANNIGAN**

*(A little frightened by how far he'd go.)*

Rooster!

**ROOSTER**

Come on, Aggie. We get the fifty grand, we blow this crumby town, and then Lil and me'll meetcha ...

**MISS HANNIGAN**

Where? ... Oh, yeah.

end

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*(Rooster, Lily, Miss Hannigan)*

**ROOSTER, LILY & MISS HANNIGAN**

EASY STREET, EASY STREET,

ANNIE IS THE KEY.

(YES SIRREE, YES SIRREE, YES SIRREE.)

*(Spoken)*

Yeah!

EASY STREET, EASY STREET

THAT'S WHERE WE'RE GONNA BE.

*(ROOSTER and LILY run off - exit DSOP)*

