

Little Nell the Drunkard's Child

UK : 1909 : dir. : Empire Films (Butcher) Silent : 6 min
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The British Film Catalogue 1895-1985
 listing:

“Pathos. Drunkard beats child, is jailed, and signs pledge.”

[no listing in "Classics of the Silent Screen", "A Pictorial History of the Silent Screen", "Silent Movies: A Picture Quiz Book", "Halliwell's Film Guide", "Leonard Maltin's Movie and Video Guide 2001", "The Critics' Film Guide", "The Good Film and Video Guide", "Movies on TV and Videocassette 1988-89", "Rating the Movies (1990)", "Speelfilm Encyclopedie", "The Sunday Times Guide to Movies on Television", "The Time Out Film Guide", "TV Times Film & Video Guide 1995", "Variety Movie Guide 1993", "Video Movie Guide 1993" or "The Virgin Film Guide"]

No further information currently available. Little Nell may not be quite so little after all, as in Dickens' "**OLD CURIOSITY SHOP**", or his "**LITTLE DORRIT**", but the description specifically calls her a child, and maltreated waifs were all the rage in potted melodramas of this type. The 1912 French film "**LITTLE NELL**" was directly drawn from the Dickens novel, but this title bears no relation to that plot.

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