

What is Funny Week 3: Charlie Chaplin

Sister Superiress.

I am a poor woman and
I have been deceived under the
Promises of marriage; I am at
Present with no means and with-
out any relations to nurse my
babe; Therefore I beg you for good
sake, to take my child; until ^{have}
I can find a situation and I ^{have} ~~no~~ ^{have}
means so I can bring up myself
I hope that you will so kind
to accept my child and I will
pray god for you
I remain uruble servant

Feresa Perry

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As a postscript to Chaplin's *The Kid*, here's a real letter from a woman in New York to a Foundling Asylum, written in 1874.