

INT. HAMPTONS ESTATE - EVENING

SHOSHANNA BRAGGISH berates DAVIS EINFRANK about his work in science.

SHOSHANNA BRAGGISH
How dare you waltz about in front
of media cameras--saying that
you've solved the way man came to
be? Children watch television! Are
you trying to brainwash them?

DAVIS EINFRANK
Miss...I'm sure I do no more
brainwashing than you do with your
own children.

SHOSHANNA BRAGGISH
Excuse me?

DAVIS EINFRANK
Mono-theism, miss. I'm sure you're
familiar?

SHOSHANNA BRAGGISH
I want nothing to do with your
sorcery!

DAVIS EINFRANK
That's kind of the joke, isn't it?

SHOSHANNA BRAGGISH
I'm not laughing.

DAVIS EINFRANK
Right. I guess that's part of the
joke, too. Read a book every now
and then. It will do your brain
good.

SHOSHANNA BRAGGISH
I compel you, sir...Keep peddling
your blasphemy and the only thing
I'll use a book for is to knock a
crater in your head.

DAVIS EINFRANK
Then go with the King James
version, dear. It's the
heaviest...both in writing and
weight.

INT. HAMPTONS ESTATE - LATER

TRENT DODGE grimaces as he watches MOLLY-ANNA VON TISSÉ drink herself into a stupor.

TRENT DODGE

Miss Von Tissé...I know we're all a bit cramped in this mansion--what, with your voluminous suitcases of couture, and all--but you could do yourself a favor and slow your strangling of the grapes.

MOLLY-ANNA VON TISSÉ

Hah...I didn't claw my way to the top without hard work or without a hard-working liver...Don't preach to a madame about how she should drink in the Hamptons, dear. It's in poor taste.

TRENT DODGE

I must insist, miss. If you get too drunk I'll have to take it away from you.

MOLLY-ANNA VON TISSÉ

Oh? Are you trying to woo me? I haven't ever cared for top-hats and I won't start.

TRENT DODGE

(Clears throat)

I've watched too many people throw their lives away on "the drink," and yet you do it like you don't even care.

Trent starts to lose his cool.

MOLLY-ANNA VON TISSÉ

I don't. You're a magician, right? Here's a trick. Watch me make this red stuff disappear!

TRENT DODGE

You are an insult to those who have less than you.

MOLLY-ANNA VON TISSÉ

That's half the fun of having affluence, my dear.

INT. HAMPTONS ESTATE - LATER

Molly-Anna stumbles into a room where CHRIS MATHIAS is sitting and reading the paper.

MOLLY-ANNA VON TISSÉ (CONT'D)

(Pointing)

My God those hands are filthy.

CHRIS MATHIAS

I'm sorry? Can I help you?

MOLLY-ANNA VON TISSÉ

Do we not have running water?

CHRIS MATHIAS

We do?

Molly-Anna picks up his hand.

MOLLY-ANNA VON TISSÉ

Look at those fingernails. The dirt. The grime.

CHRIS MATHIAS

Hah. That's part of the job, I guess.

MOLLY-ANNA VON TISSÉ

Job?

CHRIS MATHIAS

I'm a tradesman, Madam. I'm supposed to install a new security system, but ya'll are here--

Molly-Anna gasps.

MOLLY-ANNA VON TISSÉ

WHAT? Pest! Get away from me.

CHRIS MATHIAS

What?

MOLLY-ANNA VON TISSÉ

Thief! Criminal! Don't you dare touch me--I have a gun! I'm not afraid of you--

Molly-Anna runs out of the room.

INT. HAMPTONS ESTATE - LATER

Shoshanna berates Trent over his use of magic.

TRENT DODGE
I can't believe that vile woman--
drunk and...vile.

SHOSHANNA BRAGGISH
You're one to talk.

TRENT DODGE
Me?

SHOSHANNA BRAGGISH
All your deception and
misguided...hatred!

TRENT DODGE
(Annoyed)
Do we have any towels. That
gluttonous, self-absorbed hag is
going to get ill--

SHOSHANNA BRAGGISH
Her drunkenness will always pale
compared to you--

TRENT DODGE
(Yelling)
Miss! I am trying to mitigate what
could end up being a major problem
for all of us. Please be quiet!

Shoshanna stalks behind Trent as he moves about the room.

SHOSHANNA BRAGGISH
You will be the one to have to
answer to God. What will you say at
the holy gates? That you didn't
mean to mislead little boys and
girls? Why? So you can be famous?

TRENT DODGE
I worked to become who I am!

SHOSHANNA BRAGGISH
Your little magic games...You're no
different than that sorcerer
scientist!

INT. HAMPTONS HOUSE - LATER

Chris talks to Davis about the security system.

CHRIS MATHIAS
I need you all to leave.

DAVIS EINFRANK
This late at night? You're insane.
What for?

CHRIS MATHIAS
I need to install the new security
system. If I fail at my job, I'll
have to tell my sponsor--I can't go
back to jail.

DAVIS EINFRANK
Jail? What for?

CHRIS MATHIAS
I...Stop talking down to me.

DAVIS EINFRANK
What for--

Chris looks like he's about to snap.

DAVIS EINFRANK (CONT'D)
I kid--I kid. That was too easy.
Why did you go to jail.

CHRIS MATHIAS
I couldn't tell you. Wrong place.
Wrong time.

DAVIS EINFRANK
And so are we--all of us--here at
the wrong place...at the wrong
time.

CHRIS MATHIAS
My life is doomed, though--

DAVIS EINFRANK
My life will be, too, if that runt
Shoshanna meddles with my
equipment. I have half a mind to
tie her arms behind her back.

CHRIS MATHIAS
...What?