

Devils and their Lies

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BARON ORLOV was cast into the oubliette at CASTLE GORLOIS to regret his demonological crimes. Later, when the castle was razed by avaricious neighbours, both he and the LADY GORLOIS had vanished. Wagging tongues hold that the couple fled through a secret portal, and wonder what became of the castle's gold.

1 Empty Room

Spiral stairs from above open into this room and continue downward to a barred door to 6. Entering the room causes the skeletons in 3 to begin generating ECTOPLASMIC PROJECTIONS.

2 Staircase

The barred door to 3 is locked. Brass scales on the plinth are askew. While the scales are level the barred door is unlocked.

3 Donjon

While unburied, the six shackled skeletons here each generate an ECTOPLASMIC PROJECTION (1HD CHILL TOUCH 1D6) when living humans are near. Such generation takes 1d4 turns, after which time it begins seeking victims. If a projection is destroyed the skeleton will begin generating another.

4 Oubliette

Four 10' deep pits in the floor are covered with barred hatches, latched shut. One pit contains TARRARE, once a convicted murderer, now a ghoul (2HD CLAWS 1D6, SAVE VS PARALYSIS). He will bargain information for his freedom. Another pit has a false bottom that lifts to reveal a ladder to 5.

5 Secret Corridor

Beneath a loose floor tile is a folio containing notes from Orlov's demonic consultations. This includes a contract with the minor demon HAAGENTI, entitling the bearer to a single act of service, exactly as asked. The demon will perform this service to the letter, but assiduously avoid fulfilling the spirit of the request.

6 Devil Face

A giant cerulean face gapes open-jawed at the room, its eyes suggesting sardonic humour. Inside the mouth is inky void. Before the face is a marble altar stained with dubious liquids.

The face is an emanation of the demon BIFRONS, conjured by Lady Gorlois and Baron Orlov as a tutor. For his

amusement Bifronds persuaded the couple to climb into his mouth, promising that this would transport them to a secret refuge, safe from the siege. Bifronds will make similar representations to anyone else he thinks might believe him.

Those who do climb into Bifronds' mouth are immediately annihilated.

