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*JANGLE ジャラ

*JANGLE ジャラ

OHHH...

GIVE THEM TO YOUR--

DON'T TALK THAT WAY, PLEASE, ACCEPT THESE.

WE CAN'T TAKE THIS!

LISTEN!

...BUT YOU CAN'T DO THIS IN BROAD DAYLIGHT WITH PEOPLE WATCHING, UNDERSTAND? PLEASE LEAVE NOW.

OH, FINE. I'LL TAKE 'EM THIS TIME...

*FX: WHISPER

ヒソヒソ

PEPE!

WHAT'S THE HARM? IT'D BE A PITY TO TURN THEM AWAY WHEN THEY'RE *GIVING* IT TO US.

PROFIT, PROFIT.

THIS MEANS TROUBLE ...

BIG TROUBLE ...

LUCA...

*KOFF

.....

WELL...

.....

IT'S SO SUDDEN... AND ISN'T ALL THIS STUFF TRIBUTE FOR ELAINE? I DON'T GET IT.

LUCA, WHAT IN THE WORLD *IS* THIS?

*FX: HOHOHOHOHO

MORE COMES IN THAN WE CAN HANDLE.

OKAY... BUT WE CAN'T KEEP UP.

WE'LL TALK ABOUT THAT SOON. FOR NOW, GO AND SHARE THE TRIBUTE.

*FX: HEEHEEHEEHEE

*FX: POINK

AUUU...

*FX: SSSPOP

*FX: HAHH HAHH

...THAT GIRL.

JUST GET RID OF...

NINA ...

LET'S DITCH HER.

!

IT...IT'S ALL RIGHT. ELAINE CAN GET BY ON HER OWN. I MEAN, SHE'S REALLY... YOU KNOW... WE CAN JUST HAND HER OVER TO MY PEOPLE. I'M SURE THEY'LL TREAT HER WELL.

モグ

*FX: CHEW

B-BUT IT'S CRAZY!!

AGAIN, NINA?!

*FX: FLINCH

*FX: IGH

IF WE GET ANY MORE INVOLVED WITH HER...

...IT'LL *REALLY* BE THE END OF US!

WE'VE LOOKED AFTER HER PLENTY ALREADY !!

WE'VE DONE WELL!! WE'VE DONE ENOUGH!!

I'LL NOT ABANDON SOMEONE.

I WON'T DO THAT FOR ANYTHING.

...NOR *YOU.* NEITHER ELAINE...

...I'M NOT VERY GOOD WHEN IT COMES TO ADMITTING MY OWN FAULTS...

HAVING SAID THAT...

ブチ・バラ

*FX: SCATTER

LUCA ...

MAYBE I *HAVE* BEEN HIGH-HANDED AND CONDESCENDING, LIKE YOU SAID.

ポン!

*FX: PUP

...EVEN THOUGH IT'S CAUSED A LOT OF HARDSHIP.

THIS IS MY WAY OF HOLDING MYSELF TO IT AFTER SAYING SO...

...AND HAVING RUN MY MOUTH ABOUT US SHARING A COMMON FATE, I DON'T CARE TO TAKE IT BACK.

...I'LL END UP JUST LIKE THOSE I LOOKED DOWN UPON.

IF I LOSE MY NERVE...

AND SHE'S TANGLED UP...

SINCE IT'S COME TO THIS, WE ALL NEED TO GET TOGETHER AND COME UP WITH SOME KIND OF PLAN...

BUT THAT ASIDE, WE CAN'T JUST LET THINGS STAY LIKE THIS...

...
...
...

SHE-- THE HUNTERS...!!

!

*FLING

LUCA, TROUBLE !!

IT'S PEPE ...!!

WHAT'S WRONG, LUCIE?

I HAVEN'T DONE ANYTHING!!

NOOO! LET ME GO!!

SHUT UP!! THERE WAS AN INDICTMENT!!

YOU CAN SPEAK IN YOUR DEFENSE ALL YOU WANT AT YOUR TRIAL!!

*FX: AGGHHH

I'LL BE RAPED!! I'LL BE KILLED!! OH GOD!!

ギャ ギャ

NO, NO, NOOO!! DEMON! FIEND!!

ズルズル…

*SHLLLF SHLLLF

PEPE ...

MAYBE SOME OTHER PROSTITUTES GOT JEALOUS OF 'EM.

YOU KNOW, LATELY THEY'VE BEEN ODDLY POPULAR.

LOOK, SHE'S FROM LUCA'S...

GUAHH!

BE SILENT, GLOOMY WENCH!!

*HYNN

*WHAPPA

*KCHAK

I SWEAR ...

COMMONERS ARE ALL THE SAME...

YOU CALL UPON THE NAME OF THE LORD WITHOUT REFLECTING UPON YOUR OWN SIN!!

*WHAP

*PASSSH

WHEN CALAMITY BEFALLS YOU, YOU *ALONE* POSSESS PURE HEARTS AND CLEAN HANDS. YOU ACT LIKE CHILDREN, BELIEVING YOURSELVES FAULTLESS!!

YOU RABBLE DELIGHT IN NOTHING MORE THAN SMILING AT OTHERS' MISFORTUNES BEHIND THEIR BACKS, WHILE LOOKING DOWN ON ANYONE AND EVERYONE!!

YOU'RE NO BETTER THAN *INSECTS!!*

DESPICABLE!!

SHAMELESS!!

COWARDLY!!

*WHAPPP

...YET NOT ONE OF THEM VOLUNTEERS TO AID YOU!!

A LARGE CROWD WATCHES...

BEHOLD, *EVIDENCE!!*

*HYNN

DON'T PRATTLE ON SO PROUDLY WHILE YOU...

...STRIKE AT SOMEONE FROM SUCH A SAFE PLACE.

NOW SHE'S DONE IT!

LUCA ...!!

*FX: OHHH

LUCA ...!!

OHO...

SO THERE *IS* ONE AMONG YOU WITH BACKBONE.

...YOU TRY TO SILENCE US WITH THREATS.

THAT'S HOW IT IS. WHATEVER WE SAY...

IF YOU DEFEND HER, YOU'LL *BOTH* BE ARRESTED.

BUT DON'T YOU UNDER-STAND?

HAVE YOU MISTAKEN YOURSELVES FOR *ANGELS* OR SOMETHING?

YOU RATTLE YOUR SWORDS...

...JUDGING PEOPLE FROM UP IN THE TOWER.

THE AIR MUST BE THIN UP THERE. IT'S MADE YOU DELIRIOUS.

THIS IS HOPE-LESS.

...GIRL?

IS THAT ALL YOU HAVE TO SAY...

*FX: SHPA

*FX: TWITCH TWITCH

*FX: WRING

BITCH ...!!

PEPE ...!!

LUCA!!

*FX: VWIP

*FX: YANK

*FLAP
FLAP

YOU'RE THE--!!

Y...

BLACK SWORDS-MAN!!

B...

*MURMUR MURMUR

BLACK... SWORDS-MAN...?

THIS IS THE WILL OF GOD. YOU WON'T GET AWAY LIKE LAST TIME...

TO THINK WE WOULD MEET AGAIN IN SUCH A PLACE...

*FX: SNATCH

*FX: GCHAK

HMHM... LUCKY ME...

CAPTAIN !!

HN NN!

*FX: SQUEEZE

GWA H!!

*YANK

...YOU GUYS ARE THE ONES DOING THE WITCH HUNTING HERE.

*SQUEEZE

GOING BY WHAT SHE SAID...

AMONG ALL THE PEOPLE YOU'VE ARRESTED...

...WAS THERE A WOMAN WITH A ***BRAND*** ON HER CHEST?

ANSWER ME.

*FX: KRNK

*FX. BDADUMP BDADUMP

AMA-ZIN'!!

AMA-ZING.

A...

H-HORSES AND MEN, RIGHT IN HALF...!!

*FX: WOHHHH

*FX: CHAK

*FX: REACH

THAT ONE IN A FRENZY'S MY MAIN PAD, FORTRESS OF IRON GUTS.
I SHOULDA SAID THIS FIRST, BUT I'M PUCK, OWNER OF THEM BOTH.
WHADDA YA MEAN, "DROPEY"? AND WHO SAID YOU LIVED HERE?
*SHHT
I CAN SEE IT... SOME-THING WEIRD...
IT LOOKS MORE LIKE A DUMP TO ME.
WHAT A SICK JOKE.
THIS IS HOLY GROUND?

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HAHH!
*DMDMDMDM
*DM
*WHOM

ドドオオンンンン

*GDONNNG

W-WITH JUST FOUR SWINGS ...

IT AIN'T HUMAN!

SO EASILY WITH THAT MONSTER SWORD...

*OHHHHH

FOUR RIDERS RIGHT IN HALF...

...

YOU'RE KIDDING ME.

WOOOOO...!

PLEASE DON'T MOVE NOW.

THE PAIN'S FADING.

STOLEN

NO MATTER HOW MANY RIDERS I SEND IN, IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO CAPTURE HIM!!

WH-WHAT IS HE?! THIS ISN'T LIKE THE LAST TIME AT ALL...!!

*MURMUR

*MURMUR

*MURMUR

C-CAP-TAAAIN ...

HNNN ...

*FX: SHMM

*FX: CLANG

TCH!

WITHDRAW, WITHDRAW!! CLEAR THE WAY!!

REPORT TO HEADQUARTERS!!

*KLAK ガチャ

.....

ALL I CAN DO IS HEAD STRAIGHT THERE.

SO MUCH FOR ASKING UNDERLINGS.

...WHAT YOU SAID BEFORE?

IS THAT...

A WOMAN WITH A BRAND...

YOU KNOW ABOUT HER?!
Y...
F-FIRST LET ME THANK--
THAT'S NOT IMPORTANT ...!!
HEY, GUTS, TONE IT DOWN.

*FX: OOZE

OH?

YOU HAVE WHAT...
...OUR ELAINE HAS.
IT'S THE SAME.

WHERE'S CASCA...

...RIGHT NOW?!

WHERE IS SHE...?

TELL ME.

.....

THAT'S ELAINE.

CASCA ...?

THIS WAY.

ALL RIGHT.

.....
*FX· PLOOP
*CHOK·
*KRUNCH
...COULD YOU, YOU KNOW...
...SAVE LUCA AND THE OTHERS?
IF YOU REALLY ARE A WITCH...
ELAINE...

GUESS NOT. NOT AFTER WHAT I SAID...
.....

THEY SURE ARE TAKING A LONG TIME...

*FX: PLOOP

*FX: KRNCH KRNCH
AND IF SO, MAYBE ME TOO...?

UNH...
UUH...
WHAT IF...
WHAT IF THEY WERE ARRESTED...? WHAT WOULD I DO...?
...AND THEN THE HUNTERS CAME HERE...
IF THAT HAPPENED ...
YEAH...
*BADUMP
ドクン
I'LL BE KILLED.
...IF ELAINE USED SOME WITCHCRAFT LIKE BEFORE...
THEY'D JUST CHOP OFF MY HEAD RIGHT THERE...
FORGET BURNING AT THE STAKE.
...THERE'D BE NO WAY OUT.
*BADUMP
I HAVE TO RUN.
*SHMP

*FX: GUHUH GUHUH

*FX: PAT

*FX: POF POF

I...

I...

I REALLY...

WHY'S ALL THIS...?

...IS SCARY...

...AND LONELY.

...BEING BY YOURSELF ...

I CAN'T LEAVE YOU HERE ALONE.

BESIDES ...

IT'S ALL RIGHT. I'LL TAKE CARE OF YOU.

ELAINE, YOU COME ALONG WITH ME.

CASCA...!!

BROKEN AND HALTED...
IT FEELS LIKE DECADES HAVE PASSED SINCE THEN.
I MIGHT...
I MIGHT BE EVEN MORE THREATENING...
...LIKE LAST TIME?
ARE YOU STILL THE WAY YOU WERE?
...TO YOU NOW THAN I WAS THEN.

BUT...

THIS TIME...!!

...THIS TIME...

.....

SO, MISTER SWORDS-MAN.

ELAINE... CASCA, WAS IT?

WHAT ARE YOU TO HER?

I SENSE THAT RISQUÉ SURGE, Y'KNOW.

WHO'S THE MONKEY?

S-SO, LADIES, ARE YOU P-P-P-PROSTI-TUTES?

I THINK I KNOW.

NEVER MIND.

WHA--?

HEY!

HERE.

SHE'S ...

DON'T JUST STAND THERE. COME IN!

ELAINE... NINA.

SHE'S HERE...

EH?

NO ONE'S HERE.

HUH?

.....

*FLAP

H... HEY.

CASCA...!!

*FX. (excitement)

*FX: HAHH HAHH

*FX: KOFF KOFF

*FX: SLUMP

LET'S GO.
IT'S OKAY ...

.....

!

... SORCERESS.
WE HAVE COME TO GET YOU...

YOU GUYS...
OH HH...

...THERE'S NO WAY WE'LL FIND HER IN ALL THIS.

...EVEN IF WE SPLIT UP AND SEARCH...

STILL, THOUGH ...

THEY'RE AWE-STRUCK.

HEH HEH HEH

WHY DO THEY ALL SEEM SCARED A' YOU?

IT'D SUCK FOR YOU IF NOT FOR THE BANDAGES.

YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT CASCA LOOKS LIKE, DO YA?

I SAW... HER WITH MINDWAVES.

WHY'RE *YOU* ON TOP OF MY HEAD?

BUT DROPEY, WHY'RE YOU FOLLOWIN' GUTS, HELPIN' HIM FIND CASCA ?

HM HM HM...

MOMMY, LOOK...

SHHH!

STILL ...

...HERE...?

IS SOMETHIN' WEIRD GOIN' ON...

SOMETHIN'S STRANGE, THOUGH.

*WITH THIS MANY FOLKS AROUND, I'M **USUALLY** INVISIBLE.*

THEY'RE ALL DYIN' OFF! MAKES ME SICK TO LOOK AT 'EM!

ON TOP A' THAT, THEY'RE SCARED OF BEIN' RATTED ON...

..AND THEN WANDERED INTO *THIS* PLACE.

THEY ALL RAN OFF, WITHOUT FIGHTIN' THE KUSHAN...

I DON'T KNOW ABOUT NO WITCH HUNT, BUT THEY'RE SCARED OUTTA THEIR WITS.

ANY-HOO...

AND *UGH...* IS IT EVER GLOOMY!

*POK

*FX: CHINK *FX: MHMHM

PUT ME DOWN!

AHHH...

KIDNAP-PERS?!

BINGO.

OHH!! NO MISTAKE, THAT'S A BANDAGED WOMAN!!

I'M GOOD AT THAT.

I'LL SHADOW 'EM FOR NOW.

IF I GO BACK TO TELL GUTS, I'LL LOSE SIGHT OF 'EM, BUT THERE'S NO WAY I CAN FIGHT OFF THAT MANY PEOPLE...

IT'S BEST NOT TO EVEN FIGHT ONE ENEMY.

WHAT NOW?

*FX: SNEAK SNEAK SNEAK

THAT ELF AND THE BOY STILL AREN'T BACK. LET'S WAIT FOR THEM FOR NOW.

EVEN THOUGH IT'S A REFUGEE SLUM, IT'S A BIG ONE.

FIND HER?!

NO... NO TRACE.

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生誕祭の章　野望少年

HYUUUUUU

*FX: GCHAK GCHAK

ALL SOLDIERS AT THE SCENE CONFIRMED, "THAT'S THE BLACK SWORDSMAN"...

ACCORDING TO THE REPORT, THE ASSAILANT WAS A SINGLE MAN, ALL IN BLACK, SWINGING A SWORD AS LONG AS HE WAS TALL.

IS THIS *TRUE?!*

THE BLACK SWORDS-MAN...!!

THIS TIME HE WILL--

SURELY THIS IS DIVINE PROVIDENCE !!

GRRNN...

AYE, SIR! I BELIEVE IT IS...

OUR FIRST PRIORITY NOW IS TO COOPERATE WITH THE INQUISITOR IN THE ERADICATION OF THE HERETICS.

WE'VE ALREADY BEEN RELEASED FROM THE DUTY OF ARRESTING THE BLACK SWORDSMAN.

STAND DOWN.

"GCHAK"

I MUST REQUEST THAT YOU LEAD US TO THE HIDEOUT.

DO NOT BLUR DUTY WITH PERSONAL BIAS!!

BUT-- !!

WE MOVE OUT SOON.
*SHANG

ALL RIGHT ...

.....
THE BLACK SWORDSMAN.

*CLENCH
HE IS...
HE'S HERE IN ALBION...!!

HEHEH... "BINGO" IS RIGHT.
IT LOOKS LIKE THE BAD GUYS' HANGOUT.
TONIGHT IS A HOLY NIGHT TO BE REMEMBERED !!
IT'S A NAKED PARTY.
BUT WHAT THE HECK ARE THEY DOIN'?
EVERY-ONE!!

AS ALL OF YOU KNOW, THE STONE PILLAR DEIFIED IN THE *TOWER OF CONVICTION* IS NO LONGER POTENT NOR SIGNIFICANT!! IT HAS NO POWER TO MANIFEST EVEN A SINGLE MYSTERY. THE TOWER HAS INSTEAD BEEN REDUCED TO A VILE LODGE OF SWINE WHO USE SOPHISTRY IN AN ATTEMPT TO OPPRESS AND CONTROL US!!

BUT *WE* ARE AWARE!! AWARE OF THE ONE TRULY DESERVING OF REVERENCE!!

THE ONE POSSESSING POWER!!!

SO THAT'S HER.
IT'S CASCA!
...
THE BLACK WITCH!
*ROHHH
OUR SORCER-ESS.

AND ON THIS AUSPICIOUS NIGHT...

*ZHA

...ONE OF OUR FAITHFUL SHALL BE GRANTED AN HONOR GREATER THAN SHE DESERVES.

A MIRACLE IN AND OF HERSELF !!

SHE IS EVIDENCE OF OUR BELIEF!!

WHOA! WHOA! THIS LOOK BAD TO YOU?!

IT'S THE GIRL WHO WAS WITH CASCA.

REJOICE, DAUGHTER NINA. BY THIS GREAT TASK YOU WILL EXPIATE YOUR CRIME OF TRYING TO STEAL HER AWAY FOR YOURSELF.

LET ME GOOO !!

NOOO!!!

*LOOM

AND AFTER, THE WITCH...

IT SHALL BE AN OFFERING TO THE WITCH!!

WE SHALL NOW CUT OUT HER HEART !!

...SHALL MINGLE WITH OUR *GREAT GOAT* AND BECOME A TRUE MEMBER OF OUR FAMILY.

*FLINCH

GUWAHHH!!

EVEN IF I GO GET GUTS NOW, IT WON'T BE IN TIME!

WHADDA WE DO?! WHADDA WE DO?! WHADDA WE DO?!

*FX: GABBA GABBA

THIS IS SOOOO WRONG!!

TH...

UWOHHH

HEY, PUCK.
YOU FLY AT FULL SPEED AND FIND GUTS.
I'LL BUY SOME TIME HERE.
USELESS KID.
YOU'RE IN NO POSITION!
PISS OFF, YOU!
THIS'S THE FIRST I'VE HEARD OF YOU BEIN' COMPETENT, BY THE BY.
*CLENCH
*FX: HAHHHH
NO.
YOU CAN'T ...
NO.
?
I'VE GOT THE HIGH GROUND, Y'SEE.

*NOOOOO
*WHACK

HOW D'YA LIKE ME NOW?

OH! OH!

NOT BAD!

*GYAHHHH

WHAT'S WRONG?!

?!

IT'S TOO COMMON FOR SOMEONE WHO'S GONNA BE A BIG-TIME SWORDSMAN.

*SMAP

BUT I'VE GOT NO CHOICE RIGHT NOW.

I DON'T LIKE USIN' SUCH A POOR MAN'S TECHNIQUE ANY MORE THAN I GOTTA, THOUGH.

*HHHHHH

I KNEW YOU'D SAY IT.

OHH!! ISIDRO MEANS "STONE THIEF" ?!

WHADDA YA KNOW!

.....

A THIEF ...

.....

... STONES.

...WHO THROWS ...

QUIT SCREWIN' AROUND IN THIS OL' WET, MUSTY HOLE!!

HEY, ALL YOU LIMP-DICK CULTISTS!!

I'LL RAT ON ALL 'A YOU!!!

*ZHOOOM

MAKE A BIG APPEAL TO MY MAN GLITS FOR ME!!

THROW!! UNTIL YOUR IRON ARM GIVES OUT !!

NOW, PUCK, GO!

ROGER!

*KRAK

GY AH!

GH...

*WHOCK

WE'LL SACRIFICE HIM, TOO!!

GRRR! DRAG HIM DOWN!!

JIYA!

*FX: VSHH SHH

YOU CAN ALL BE SACRIFICES TO MY AMBITION!

HEH! STUPID CHEESE DICKS CAN'T GET A THING DONE WITHOUT SWARMIN'!

GAH!

*BAK

GYAB!

*GOCH

*DSSSH

TALK ABOUT ONE BIG WEAK SPOT!

AND YOUR *REAL* WEAK SPOT'S EXPOSED, TOO!

FOOLS! YOU'RE TAKIN' ME ON STARK NAKED?!

TO TOP IT OFF, FROM HERE YOU'RE COMPLETELY VISIBLE, AND I'VE GOT TONS OF AMMO.

I'VE BEEN IN TROUBLE TONS OF TIMES.

...I'VE WANDERED AIMLESSLY WITHOUT FOOD OR WATER THROUGH A KINGDOM FULL OF ROVIN' KUSHAN AND BANDITS.

IN THE YEAR SINCE I RAN OFF FROM MY VILLAGE...

NO WAY I'M NOT GONNA TAKE IT!!

BUT IT WAS WORTH IT, SINCE NOW THERE'S THIS BIG CHANCE DANGLIN' IN FRONT OF ME.

...I CAN OPEN THE DOOR TO MY AMBITION!!

NO MATTER WHAT, I'LL WIN!!!

IF I CAN GET THROUGH THIS...

*FX: VOMMMM

ELAINE.

MOUNTAIN CLIMBING IN FULL ARMOR IS NO JOB FOR FRAIL ARISTO-CRATS.
DAMN IT, AREN'T WE KNIGHTS BECAUSE WE RIDE HORSES?
AGREED.
LIGHT IS FADING!!
HURRY !!
MARCHING IS AN ARMY'S FOUNDATION!
YOU THERE! IF YOU HAVE TIME TO CHATTER, MOVE YOUR LEGS!
AGREED.
HE'S LIVELY FOR HIS AGE.
THIS GRUESOME DUTY.
I WANT TO END IT HERE...

TH-THAT IS IT.

RIGHT!

THE REST DEPLOY AT THE CAVE MOUTH!! SEIZE THOSE WHO FLEE!!

UNITS ONE THROUGH FOUR FOLLOW ME!!

RESTRAIN THEM!!

*FX. WAHHHHH

ALL FORCES, MOVE IN!!

アアアアアア

*FX: STAGGER

*FX: GSSSH

*HNAHHHH

THINGS JUST GOT A LOT WORSE !!
TH-TH-TH-TH-TH...
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*SHRRRIP

WHAT ARE THEY ...?

WHA --?!

S- SAVE...

A-IIIE!!

*FX: GACHING

*FX: LUNGE

*FX: HRNK HRNK

EYAG HHH!

*FX: KRAK

*FX: KRAK KROK

WHAT'S WITH THESE PEOPLE...?!

UAHHH!!
YEE!
*FX: WHOM
*FX. CHLOK
VICE-COMMANDER AZAN!!
*SHAK SHAK

AZAN, WHAT'S--?!

HRRNN!

*VNN

HNN!

*THUDD

PERHAPS AMONG THEM ARE SOME THAT TRANSFORM MEN INTO BEASTS SUCH AS THESE?!

I HEAR THE HERETICS USE VARIOUS DRUGS IN THEIR BIZARRE RITUALS!!

...IS LIKE THAT TIME.

THIS FEELING...

THIS...

EXERCISE CAUTION! THEY SEEM TO POSSESS SEVERAL TIMES THE STRENGTH OF ORDINARY MEN!

D-DRUGS. OF COURSE...

DRUGS...

IS IT REALLY...?

*DORAHHH
...
*TWITCH TWITCH
MAX 160KM/H!
*GDONNG
*SHAK SHAK SHAK
YEEEEE!
GROOOOSS!
*SWING
DON'T YOU WAVE
THAT THING AT ME!
YEAH!
*CLATA
*CLATA
*CLATA
HEAD-SPLITTIN' MIRACLE THROW!
*URUAH
*BOMF

"THEN SUDDENLY..."
"EARLIER, IT LOOKED LIKE THE SMOKE SWOOPED DOWN ON THEM LIKE IT WAS ALIVE."

THINGS GOT CRAZY ALL OF A SUDDEN.
WHAT THE HELL'S GOIN' ON, THOUGH?

THIS COULD MEAN *BIG* TROUBLE...
...THE WITCH HUNTERS CAME BUSTIN' IN.
!
NO, WAIT... ALL THAT COULD RUN INTERFERENCE WHILE I SNATCH THE GIRLS...
EEEEEEK!

NY AH!!
*ZOOP

YOU DAMN DEGE-NERATE !!
MY AMBITION...!
*DASH

*FX: TRIP

A-AM I GONNA DIE...?

HAU!
HM!
WHOA!!

*DUNNNG

*WAVE
'SUP ?!
WHO'S THE MONKEY?
*WAVE

*HAHH HAHH HAHH HAHH
OHHH...
E-E-
EGH ...
I-I THOUGHT THAT WAS IT...
ボロボロボロ

*FX: DRIP DRIP DRIP *FX: BATHUMP BATHUMP BATHUMP BATHUMP

COME ON, GIRLS, LET'S RUN FOR IT!!
WHO ARE YOU...?
I'M ISIDRO! DETAILS CAN WAIT!

*FX: FLINCH
EEEEEK!
BRAHH!

*FX: SPRING
*ZOCK
JAOH!

*FX: GOFF GOFF
LIGH ...
THANKS ...
*SLOUCH
前かがみ...
...

*WRAHHHH
WHAT DO WE DO...?
CRAP! WE CAN'T GET TO THE MOUTH THROUGH THAT HUGE MESS.

HN?

AH-HAHHH!

AH-AH-AHHH!!

M-MAKE HASTE, PLEASE.

HM...?

ARGH! LEAVE THAT THING HERE!!
QUICKLY !!
TH-THE HORNS ARE CATCHING.

*FX UWAHHHH

*FX CHIK

LADY FARNESE!! IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO CAPTURE THESE PEOPLE ALIVE!!
*FX: GRAK GRAK
AIIEEE!
A CHILD?
?
...TO WITHDRAW AND WAIT FOR THEM TO REGAIN THEIR RIGHT MINDS...
PERHAPS IT WOULD BE BETTER...
W-WELL SPOKEN.

WHY'S A CHILD IN A PLACE LIKE--

*CHANNNG

*DGONNNG

*SHKK

*THOK
UGH...
UWAHHHH!
*SNAP
*VNN
*THUDDD

*NNNEH-EH-EH-EH-EH
M-MONSTER ...!!
*UWAHHHHH
TH-THEN ARE THESE ALL REALLY--?!
IT'S A REAL MONSTER ...!!
HNNN? WHAT IN...?!
*BATHUMP
IT'S THE SAME...

...THAT NIGHT.

THE SAME AS...

*HNAHHHH

AREN'T YOU GUYS KNIGHTS?! STAND YOUR GROUND AND FIGHT, COWARDS !!

*FX: WAHHH WAHHH WAHHH

AH!

*FX: WHMP

AH ...

ELAINE!!

AHHHH ...

I COULD SURE USE A STRONG DRINK.
WHEW... IT'S COLD. WHAT A TIME TO BE IN FULL ARMOR.
SOUNDS LIKE IT'S REALLY ROUGH INSIDE THERE...
YOU FEEL GUILTY FOR SQUEALING?
SOMEONE YOU KNOW DOWN THERE?
WHAT'S WRONG, GUIDE? YOU'RE SO GLOOMY.
*FX: PAT
IT'S BETTER THAN ALWAYS BEING EATEN BY THE STRONG.
THE WEAK HAVE THEIR OWN WAY OF LIVING.
WELL, IT'S JUST AS WELL.
NOT THAT NOBLES LIKE ME SHOULD SAY IT... WE EAT SO MUCH.
.....

*FX: HYNN

*FX: WHAM

*FX: FLUTTA

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AHHH...

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*FX: CLACK CLACK

*FX: CLACK CLACK

*FX: LOOM

*FX FLINCH

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*SHLOP

*LURCH

ビクッ

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WHAT'S ...?!
!
*POP
*POP
*POP
*POP
AGH!
*FLAPA
WHAT'S THIS LIGHT ...?!
!
H-HEY, LOOK!
*FX: ZHA ZHA ZHA
S... SOME-BODY STOP...
*ZHA ZHA ZHA

AH!
AH!
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*ZZZZZ
ピクッ
*TWITCH
*TWITCH
ピクッ
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ニヤ
ニヤ
*FX: JSSSS
ズ
*FX: ZZZ
*FX: TWITCH
ピクッ
ドン
*SLITH
*BATHUMP

PUT THAT THING AWAY, YA HORNY GOAT!!
ビク。
*TWITCH
ビク。
*TWITCH
...
...
!!

*FX: SWOMM
*GODONG

*FX: AGGHHHH

THE BLACK SWORDSMAN ...!!!
*CLAT CLAT
ガ ガ ガ ガ
IT... IT'S HIM!!
THE BLACK SWORDS-MAN?!
LOOK !!
*WOHHHH
WHY IS HE HERE...?!
...
*HA AH!
*HA AH!

W-WAIT, YOU!
SURE, LEAVE IT TO ME.
...
WATCH AFTER THOSE TWO.
*HAHH
*HAHH
WE'RE RUNNIN' FOR IT, ISIDRO.
AH...
I FOUND A BACK DOOR.
*FX: HAHHH HEHHH HEHHH
YAHH?!
OH.
BUHAAA... I'M ZHOOOO DIRED!
I MUSTA BROKE THE SOUND BARRIER...
WH-WHEN DID HE...?
*FX: FLINCH
*FX: SHUMP
WE'LL TALK AFTER WE GET OUT OF HERE.
YOU OWE ME-- WITH *INTEREST.*
*FX: HISSSS
*FX: CLENCH
THERE ISN'T ANY NEED...
.....
BUT YOU SAW THAT SWORDPLAY, RIGHT?! IT WAS LIKE A WHIRLWIND, NOTHING LIKE BEFORE!
*FX: MUTTER MUTTER
I-IN ANY CASE, HE SEEMS TO BE OPPOSING THE HERETICS...
SHALL WE CAPTURE HIM TOO, THEN?
THAT DOESN'T EXACTLY MEAN HE'S OUR ALLY. DID YOU FORGET?! HE'S A FOE TO US!

KILL ALL WHO DO NOT SUBMIT AND SURRENDER!!

THIS HAS ALREADY BECOME ALL-OUT COMBAT!!

WE MUSTN'T QUAIL BEFORE THOSE WHO OPPOSE OUR GOD!!

HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN? THEY ARE *HERETICS!!*

BUT LADY FARNESE ...!!

SILENCE!! STANDING HERE WILL ONLY LEAD TO INCREASED CASUALTIES!!

*GSHANNNG

ANNIHILATE THEM!!

EVERYONE ADVANCE!!

*ROHHHH

FIGHT FIRE WITH FIRE, *EH?*

FORGET ABOUT THAT. LET'S GO.

RELAXING

*SHWOK

LEAD THE WAY, ISIDRO!

...!!

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UAH ...!

*FX: SHUNK

*FX: SHOVE

LADY FARNESE !!

NO!! DON'T LET HIM ESCAPE...

AHH ...

MY, MY.

*CHOK
*CHOK
UP THERE.
*GINNNG
...
...
!!

*HHHH

*HHHH

MINE ...

MINGLE WITH...

WON'T GIVE.

WITCH ...

GET BACK.

GUTS ...

*FX: CLACK

*FX: KAK

*FX: SHIFT

*WHOM

*FLIP

*GLACK

*ZSSHAAAA

*KLADANG
*FX: SHMP SHMP
*FX: CLAK
AH, CRAP!!
GUTS ...!
*FX: ZSSH
*WHAM

*NNEH-EH
...MY SPINE WOULD BE SMASHED.
*FX: KOFF
IF NOT FOR GODO'S ARMOR...
*HRRN
GA FA!
TURN HIM INTA GOAT STEW!
...
GO ON AHEAD WITH THEM.
ISIDRO.
YEAH, BUT...

CASCA'S IN YOUR HANDS.

DON'T DIE. I'D LOSE MY PAYBACK.

TCH! FINE.

...

*FX: LEAP

LEAVE HER ...

*BEH

WAIT.

*CHAK

*THNK
*THNK
*THNK
*THWAK
DWAH!
*EH-EH-EH
*WHK WHK WHK
*THNK THNK THNK THNK

I KEEP PASSIN' HER FROM ONE PERSON TO THE NEXT.

*FX: HFFF HFFF

KICK TO DEATH.

KILL ...

ヴヴフフ

GORE TO DEATH.

...WHAT THAT GUY WAS SAYING MUST NOT HAVE BEEN JUST HOT AIR AFTER ALL.

SINCE I SEE THERE'S A *PSEUDO-* APOSTLE LIKE YOU HERE...

*SHAK

ゾッキ

...THERE'S NO WAY I'M GONNA LEAVE HER IN A HELLHOLE LIKE THIS.

BUT...

...PROPHECY OR WHAT-EVER...

THIS TIME FOR SURE.
I'M TAKIN' HER WITH ME.
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*BA-EH-EH-EH
*FX: SHOOM
*FX: CLOPCLOPCLOPCLOP
*DRRRR

*THNK
*THNK
*THNK
*THNK
*THNK
AT THIS RANGE ...!!
TCH!
*LUNGE
*CLOP CLOP
*THNK THNK THNK
*CLOP CLOP
*CHOK
*VNN VNN
*ZHAA

*CLOP

*SHA

*LUNGE

*THNK
THNK
THNK

*MEH-EH

*FX: VWOMM

*FX: SHNK

*FLAP

*CLAK

*CLACK

I CAN'T STOP HIM WITH JUST ONE OR TWO HITS!!

GREAT. HE'S HOPPIN' ALL OVER THE PLACE ...

IT'S WORTH A TRY.

*FX: CLOP CLOP CLOP CLOP

*FX: CLOP CLOP CLOP

HE'S GOTTA GET CLOSE...!!

*SSSSS
ONE ...
*SHKT
*SHOOM
THREE ...
TWO ...

*BACHOOM
...
!!
*SHLAP

BE H....
*NEH-EH-EH
*FZSHAAA
*PLAP
*PLAP
*WHAM

*GSSSH

*THUNK

THESE'LL COME IN HANDY.

A BIT LIKE MY CANNON.

*HUHH

*HUHH

EXPLOSIVES, EH?

*GCHAK

WHOOPS.

NO TIME TO WASTE.

AUG H...
ESCORT HER!!
B-BUT...!
AYE!
IT IS DANGEROUS FOR OUR LEADER TO EXPOSE HERSELF TO A MELEE LIKE THIS!! PLEASE FALL BACK TO THE CAVE MOUTH FOR NOW!!
LADY FARNESE !!
LEAVE THIS TO US!!
AZAN ...!!
COME, LADY FARNESE!
THIS WAY.
BEGGING YOUR PARDON.

.....

SERPICO!! WHERE ARE YOU?!
ACCOMPANY ME, HERALD!!

RELEASE ME!!

!

THIS'S ONE HELL OF A BACK DOOR.

*FX: BYOOOO

I HOPE THEY DIDN'T FALL.

I HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR YOU...

...BLACK SWORDS-MAN.

*FX DRRRR

*CLAT

WA HU H!

*CHAK

UH...

*FX: BACHOOM

*FX: KLAK KLAK

*FX: GCHAK

KHOFF

HOW CRUEL.

C-CUT ME SOME SLACK.

BIG BALLS MAKE FOR BIG FALLS, ISIDRO...

AHHH!

THEY CALL ME A MONKEY, Y'KNOW...

GUIDE

AU...

C-CAN'T TALK NOW.

*WHUMP

WHAT WAS THAT SOUND?

*CLATA CLATA

LOOK AT THIS.

WHAT NOW, MONKEY?

WAS THAT OLD FART GONNA JUMP HIS WAY TO DELIVERANCE OR SOMETHIN'?

UH...

WHOAAA! THE PATH...!

I CAN'T DO IT.

I-I CAN'T... I'VE BARELY MADE IT THIS FAR.

...

SO LONG AS THIS'S HERE.

WELL, WELL.

IT'S ALL RIGHT! YOU HANG TIGHT WHILE I LOWER YOU DOWN FROM ABOVE.

B-BUT ...

THE PROBLEM IS THIS GIRL...

SO HIGH...

AGHH! I'M BEIN' SUCKED IN!

*FX: CHEW

*FX: TWITCH TWITCH

WH-WHAT'S BUNGIE?

OR ELSE YOU BUNGIE.

*SNAP

びしっ!

YEE!

NO! I'LL DO IT.

!

*ZHA

TCH!
*FX: THRUST
WHAT ...?!
I BELIEVE IN PRE-VENTING YOU FROM DRAWING.
*HYNN
THIS GUY...!!

IN ANY CASE, I THINK IT WOULD BE IMPRACTICAL FOR YOU TO WIELD THAT SWORD HERE IF YOU *DID* DRAW IT.

POSITION, PHYSIQUE, TECHNIQUE, EQUIPMENT... ALL OF THEM WORK AGAINST YOU IN THIS PLACE.

...THAT'S WHY YOU WAITED HERE.

SO...

*FX: KRRSH

*CLANNG

...CONFRONTING YOU WITH SHEER NUMBERS IS THE HEIGHT OF FOLLY.

FURTHER-MORE...

.....

...ARE WORSE THAN ENEMIES.
ALLIES INFECTED WITH FEAR...
...THE TIDE OF THE BATTLE TURNS.
ONCE YOU CUT DOWN TEN MEN WITH THAT SWORD...
THIS GUY'S A...
...SKILLED...
...FIGHTER!!
YOU WILL DISAPPEAR.
YOU ARE A BIT TOO DISTRESSING TO MISTRESS FARNESE.

I'M BEGGIN' YOU, DON'T STRUGGLE...

HRRNNN

CLATA CLATA

AA AU...

TH ... THERE.

GO AHEAD!

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THE WESTERING SUN IN YOUR EYES...
PRECARIOUS FOOTING...
YOUR LARGE PHYSIQUE AND HEAVY EQUIP-MENT...
YOUR GOOD HAND AGAINST THE ROCK WALL...
ALL THESE LIMIT YOU.

*CLANNG

THIS GUY'S SOMETHIN'!!

HE WON'T EVEN GIVE ME A CHANCE TO DRAW!!

*FX: SHM SHM SHM SHM

HE'S AN INCREDIBLE SWORDSMAN!!

IT AIN'T JUST STRATEGY.

THIS IS A LOT HARDER THAN THAT PSEUDO-APOSTLE WAS!!

HE KEEPS CHANGIN'! I CAN'T READ HIM!!

BUT I DON'T...

...HAVE TIME TO SCREW AROUND HERE...

ARE YOU CONCERNED ABOUT THOSE GIRLS?

!

.....

KH...!

グラ!

*FX: TOTTER

I BELIEVE MY COMRADES HAVE SPREAD A NET UP AHEAD.

THEY SHOULD BE IN CUSTODY RIGHT ABOUT NOW.

*FX: SHPA

BUT I HAVE TO PROVOKE YOU FURTHER.

THAT WAS SUCH A LIE.

I HAVE A FEELING I WILL NOT WIN IF I FIGHT FAIRLY.

*FX: SHM SHM SHM

*SLAP

*SLAP

*SLAP

WITH *THIS* MANY TROOPS YOU COULDN'T SEIZE *ONE* BLACK SWORDSMAN?! YOU EVEN LET HIM INTO THE CAVE! FOR SHAME!!

I'VE NO EAR FOR *EXCUSES!!*

I AM MOST SORRY. SOMEHOW WE WERE CAUGHT UNAWARES...

I CARE NOT!! THIS IS YOUR COMMANDER'S ORDER!!

ORDER THREE MORE UNITS IN.

Y-YES, BUT THE VICE-COMMANDER SAID THAT REINFORCEMENTS WILL ONLY FURTHER COMPLICATE THE SITUATION...

SHE'S REALLY OUT OF HAND... WHERE'D HER SHADOW GO?

HASN'T WORD OF SUPPRESSION COME FROM VICE-COMMANDER AZAN YET?

NAY! THE INTERIOR OF THE CAVE IS STILL IN A STATE OF CHAOS...

HUH?

*FX: HYNN

*FX: TOK

*FX: CLATA

*FX: KTAK

JOA--
EH...?
*AGGHHHHH
SHE'S BEEN SEEN?!
WHAT?!

YOU'RE... ... ALIVE ...

JOACHIM.

*FX: BOLT

WHAT ?!

H- *HERETIC!!* THERE'S A HERETIC AROUND THIS ROCK...!!

AH ...

F'!!

IF YOU JUST STAND THERE, YOU'LL GET CAUGHT !!

HEY, GIRL, RUN!!

JOACHIM...

*TUMP
*TUMP
*TUMP
*TUMP
*TUMP
WAHHH!
*FX: SHLLF
AHHH...
WHA-WHA-WHA-WHA-WHA--?!
WHAT'RE YOU DOIN', CASCA?!
*FX: SQUIRM
WHOAAA!
*FX: FWOOMP
AAAU...
.....
*TMP *TMP *TMP
UH...

*FX BOINNNG

*FX: WRAP WRAP

*FX: LEAP

*FX: DORAHHH

THE BLACK SWORDSMAN PLUNGED IN TO SAVE HER...
THAT GIRL...

...
...

WHA --?

ABSURD? NOT AT ALL.

*FX: CHAK

ARE YOU CERTAIN? IF I DRAW BACK THE SWORD NOW...

WHAT REFLEXES!!

A BLADE, BARE-HANDED...?!

DON'T BE ABSURD...

*HALT

WITH A BIT OF BRAWN AND REFLEXES...
...IT'S NOT NECESSARILY ABSURD.
*BACHING

*DRRRR
*POP
WHAT...?!

*BAGOOM
!
...
...
!!

I NEVER THOUGHT HE COULD DODGE IT. AND HE WAS CLEVER ENOUGH TO PICK MY POCKET AND USE A WEAPON HE'D ONLY SEEN ONCE.

*FX: WHRRRRLLL

*GRAB

...
...
!!

*FX: BDADUMP BDADUMP

*FX: BDADUMP BDADUMP

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*BYOOOOOO

ビュウウ

ウウウ…

*FLAP

THE AUTHORITIES'LL CATCH YOU IF YOU'RE SLOWPOKES!!

LISTEN GOOD!! IF WE DON'T RETURN BY MORNING, GET AWAY FROM ALBION!!

WHEN I GET BACK, *THAT'S* WHEN.

*FX: ZHA ZHA

*FX: OOOOOO

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LLICA...

*ZHA

YOU SHOULD GO BACK. I CAN'T GUARANTEE YOUR LIFE, AND YOU'LL BE IN MY WAY.

*ZHA

*ZHA

YEAH, YEAH... THIS AIN'T WOMEN'S WORK, LUCA.

IS THAT SO?

IT'S NOT LIKE YOU ALONE WORRY ABOUT THOSE GIRLS, RIGHT?

WE GOT A LATE START EARLIER, BUT THAT WON'T HAPPEN THIS TIME.

BESIDES, I'VE GOT A BIT OF PULL IN THE MONASTERY. WITH ANY LUCK, WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO RESCUE THEM WITHOUT ANY BLOODSHED.

SAME GOES FOR YOU.

I'M GOIN' 'CAUSE I WANT TO. LAY OFF!

*FX: GCHAK GCHAK

*FX: HEHEHEH

I'LL MAKE UP FOR THAT BLUNDER.

I STILL AIN'T GIVEN UP ON YOU OWIN' ME A GIANT FAVOR.

DO WHAT YOU WANT...

PLEASE, LET THEM ALL COME BACK SAFELY.

UMMM...

UMMMM...
UNFORTU-
NATELY...
...THERE'S
NO WAY FOR
MAN TO
CHANGE THE
COURSE
OF THIS
FESTIVAL.

WE ALREADY SUBSIST...
...WITHIN THE CURRENT OF CAUSALITY.

HN ?
WHOOPSIE!

WHAT IS IT ?
SOME-THING THERE ...

A BAT, RIGHT ?
SO THEY CAN SEE ME...EVEN IN SUCH A HUGE TEMPLE.

I LOST SIGHT OF 'EM.
WHAT TO DO?
SO MANY PEOPLE OBSCURIN' THEIR PRESENCE...

I'D BETTER FIND 'EM FAST.
I'VE GOT A BAD FEELIN'.

A DEN OF THOSE APOSTLE MONSTERS? AND THAT'S NOT ALL...
STILL, THOUGH... WHAT'S THIS STIFLIN' FEELIN'...?
THERE ARE PLENTY MORE MUDDLED THINGS...

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*AIIEEE
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*FX: TWIRL

*FX: FWIT FWIT

*FX: THUD

WHY...?
WHY AM I THE ONLY ONE...?

I DON'T CARE ANY-MORE !!
WH-WHAT-EVER!!

SO WHY...?!
AREN'T I THE ONE WHO LOOKED AFTER YOU ?!
IT'S YOUR FAULT!! NOTHING GOOD'S HAPPENED TO ME SINCE I MET YOU!! JUST BAD...!!

ELAINE ...
I'M SORRY...
...FOR-GIVE ME...
THAT WAS A LIE...
SORRY ...

OH HH...

HUG
OUU...

*GREEEE
ONE OF YOU, COME ON.
*FX: FLINCH
*FX: GCHAK CHAK
.....
ELA--
IT DOESN'T MATTER WHICH, JUST MOVE IT.
OH HH...
C'MERE, YOU.
AU...
*YANK

BUT...

THEN I'LL BE...

AH...

...THEN...

...TO WAIT...

I HAVE TO TELL THEM...

NOT TO TAKE ELAINE.

YOU, COME WITH US.

.....

NO, NOT YOU.

N...

NO...!!

I CAN'T STAND LOWLIFES WHO ONLY THINK OF THEM-SELVES.

...AND YOU DON'T SAY A THING.

YOUR FRIEND'S BEING TAKEN AWAY...

ELAINE...
I...
I...!!

Y-YOU'RE WRONG, I...!!
W-WAIT !!
GET OUT HERE.

*FX: BTAM

バタン

AH...

AM I IN THE WRONG ...?!
IS IT MY FAULT ...?!

WHY...?!

I WAS SCARED...
BUT I COULDN'T SAY IT.
GOFF!
GOFF!

...I'M DISGUSTING.

...AND SAVE MYSELF.

I WANTED TO ABANDON ELAINE, WHO KNOWS NOTHING ...

NO... FOR THAT, ALL THE MORE...

WITH THIS BODY I MIGHT DIE SOON, ANYWAY.

...I MIGHT SURVIVE WITHOUT ANYTHING TERRIBLE HAPPENING ...

IF I TELL THEM EVERY-THING RIGHT AWAY...

THIS IS DIVINE PUNISH-MENT...

YOUR FRIENDS CONFESSED THAT THE REVERED HEAD OF YOUR CULT IS A WOMAN.

ONE OF YOU IS A WITCH.

WE'VE ALREADY LOOKED INTO THE OTHER WOMEN. YOU'RE THE ONLY TWO LEFT.

HE MEANS ELAINE !!

EH ...?

IN THE END...
EVERYONE
THINKS ONLY OF
THEMSELF...

IF I TELL
THEM...

...I'LL END UP
JUST LIKE
THOSE I
LOOKED
DOWN UPON.
IF I LOSE EVEN
MY NERVE...

LUCA...

JUST A LITTLE BIT WILL DO.
COURAGE...
JUST A GRAIN OF YOUR COURAGE...

*FX: WHMP

*FX: PSHHH

*FX: SWAY

*FX: AGHHHH

*FX: FLINCH

*FX: GYAHHH

IMPOS-
SIBLE...
IT'S NOT
POSSIBLE
FOR ME.
LUCA...

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ARE YOU SAYING THAT AS COMMANDER I MUST ABANDON MY OWN FORCES?!

THAT CAN'T BE!!

I WILL NOT ASSENT...

I CANNOT COMPLY!!

MISS FARNESE ...

I HAVE HEARD THIS PAPAL EDICT COMES THROUGH THE INFLUENCE OF THE VANDIMION FAMILY... OF YOUR FATHER.

...!!

THERE SHOULD BE NO PROBLEM ENTRUSTING THE REMAINDER OF PRACTICAL DUTIES TO VICE-COMMANDER AZAN.

YOU MUST UNDER-STAND.

...THE FEELINGS OF YOUR FATHER IN NOT WANTING TO SEE YOU, A WOMAN, DETAINED IN THIS GRUESOME PLACE.

THOUGH THIS BE A SACRED DUTY, YOU MUST UNDER-STAND...

.....

THE MAJORITY OF PROVISIONS OF AID FOR THESE REFUGEES ARE CONTRIBUTIONS FROM THE VANDIMION FAMILY.
!

I AM...

PLEASE ...
UNDER-STAND.
PLEASE.

PLEASE WAIT, LADY FARNESE !

LADY FARNESE !

?
?
OUCH ...

*FX: WHAP

...TO FATHER.
YOU SNITCHED ON ME...

I'LL BET YOU DECLARED THAT I GLEEFULLY ROUND UP HERETICS TO BURN AT THE STAKE, RIGHT?
NEVER.

YOU'RE REPORTING MY ACTIONS IN DETAIL TO THE FAMILY.
OH, I KNOW.
EH...?

I'M CERTAIN, HE'S SO DISPOSED TO WORRYING.
FATHER'S ORDERS ?
YOU CAN'T DIS-OBEY THE FAMILY HEAD EITHER.
.....
...I AM YOUR MASTER.
INDEED.
BUT DON'T YOU FORGET ...
YOU HAVE SWORN YOUR SWORD TO ME.

I ALONE AM YOUR MASTER.

.....
YES, MA'AM ...

...HATE ME...?
DO YOU...

.....

TO TALK OF HATE...
.....

FORGET IT.
FINE.
KEEP WALKIN'.
I'M SORRY. I'M SORRY.

YOU DISCLOSED EVERYTHING BEFORE WE COULD EVEN RIP OFF ONE FINGERNAIL.

I'VE NEVER SEEN ANYONE AS MISERABLE AS YOU.

*EGH

*EGH

I-I'M SORRY...

SAVOR IT.

THIS IS YOUR LAST NIGHT, BOUGHT WITH THE BLOOD OF YOUR FRIEND.

*FX: IGH-ICK

PLEAZHE FERGIBE ME...

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AH'M ZHORRY.

AH'M ZHORRY.

*FX: ENGH

*FX: UWEHHH

DON'T APOLOGIZE. IT'S DE-PRESSING.

AH-AH'M ZHORRY.

.....

I AM GRATEFUL.

...MISS FARNESE.

SPLENDID WORK...

PERHAPS NOW IT IS NO EXAGGERATION TO SAY THAT NEARLY ALL THE HERETICS HAUNTING ALBION HAVE BEEN CAUGHT.

EVEN WITH ALL THESE FACILITIES IN USE, WE DO NOT CATCH UP.

NATURALLY, DUE TO THE GLORIOUS COMMANDER OF THE HOLY IRON CHAIN KNIGHTS ...

YOUR ACHIEVEMENTS OF THREE YEARS AGO AS WELL CERTAINLY WERE NOT MERE FORTUITY.

*FX: GWAHHHH AGGHHH HYEEE OOOOO AGGHHH AGGHH KHEEE

THEY WERE *PROVIDENCE.*

NO...

NO, IT IS NOTHING...

REGARDING CASUALTIES SUFFERED DURING THIS TASK...
...I WILL DO ALL IN MY POWER TO GIVE ACCOMMODATION TO YOU AT THE HOLY SEE.
AGAIN YOU BRING ME GREAT JOY.
.....
YES?
FATHER MOZGUS, UM...

...YOU WERE MET BY A NUMBER OF MONSTERS.
AYE!
...WHILE RAIDING THE HERETICS' HIDEAWAY...
OH, MISS FARNESE. ACCORDING TO YOUR REPORT...

PERHAPS THE MONSTERS WERE A MASS HALLUCINATION CAUSED BY IT...
THE HERETICS INSIDE THE CAVE WERE REPLETE WITH SOME KIND OF SUSPICIOUS DRUG OR CEREMONIAL INCENSE.
THOSE THINGS CAN'T EXIST...
MAYBE THAT IS TO BE EXPECTED.

...WHO YOU ONCE PURSUED, APPEARED THERE...
...YOU MENTIONED THAT THE BLACK SWORDSMAN...
ALSO WITHIN YOUR REPORT...

PERHAPS HE BEARS SOME ENMITY AGAINST THE HOLY IRON CHAIN KNIGHTS?
HMM... BUT, WHY?

YES, FATHER...
.....

*FX: GREEEEE

S... STOP IT...
*SQUEEZE
パシ
AU...

THIS GIRL...
H... HEY,
CHOMP

I HAVE A REPORT.

WHEN THE BLACK SWORDS-MAN APPEARED ...

...IT SEEMED TO ME HE WAS TRYING TO RESCUE HER...

IS THERE SOME-THING ABOUT HER?

YES, FATHER ...

PLEASE SAVE MEEE...

MIS-TRESS WITCH ...

MIS-TRESS WITCH ...

ACCORDING TO THE CONFES-SIONS OF THE HERETICS, THAT GIRL SEEMS TO BE THEIR SORCERESS...

...OR PERHAPS SOME ICON THEIR FAITH WORSHIPS, OF THAT SORT.

AS YOU CAN HEAR, THEY ALL PLEAD FOR HER TO SAVE THEM.

HM...

... CONNECTED WITH THE BLACK SWORDS-MAN...

THE HERETICS' SORCERESS ...

*LOOM
ビク
*FLINCH
SURELY, THE MARK OF A WITCH.
*GRAB
*RRRIP

IT WOULD SEEM THERE IS NEED TO INVESTIGATE THIS GIRL IN SPECIAL DETAIL.

...THE TORTURE CHAMBER MUST BE THIS WAY.

MAYBE CASCA'S THERE, TOO...

IF THE SCREAMS'RE GETTIN' LOUDER...

I'VE GOTTA HURRY!!

*FX: HYNN

*GREEEE
OHH HH...
AHH HH...
ボボボ
*KRONNN
CASCAA!
*SHYNN
OOO!
AU...
MISTRESS WITCH!!

*DRIP ポタ

*DRIP ポタ

バァァァ

*BHAAHHHH

BRANNNG

?!
HNN...
GBO!
ABWA!
*BDOOOM
WH-WHAT ?!
*FX. PLAP PLAP
WHAT IS THIS ?!
WHA--?

*BLORP
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PART 1

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BERSERK

WHAT'S THIS PRES-ENCE?

WHAT IS IT?

THE BACK OF MY NECK'S OOZIN'.

THIS PLACE IS BAD NEWS...!!

AN APOSTLE? NO, STRANGER...

ビュウ・・・ウウ・・・

YOWWW! IT'S *HUGE* WHEN YOU SEE IT UP CLOSE! IT'S MORE LIKE A CITADEL THAN A TEMPLE!

SHH! KEEP YOUR VOICE DOWN.

*FX: HWRRLLL

*FX: KONK

*FX: HNN

*FX: CLAPA

OHO! FOR SO MUCH...

I BROUGHT SOME FRIENDS.

EH? HAVEN'T SEEN YOU LATELY.

JEROME, OF THE HOLY IRON CHAIN KNIGHTS ...

COULD I ASK YOU TO GO GET SOMEONE FOR ME?

HN ?

IT'S JUST YOUR IMAGINATION.

OH YEAH?

ME TOO, ME TOO.

*GRIND

DID SOMETHING JUST PASS BY?

AHA...

AHA HA HA...

THIS ANXIETY'S GETTING STRONGER!!
CASCA!!

WHAT IN...?

WHA--?

TH...

THEY'RE HERE!

*UOHHHH

*ZHLMM

STAY BACK, PLEASE!
A-ARE THOSE--?!
?!
*FX: PLOP
BLOOD ...?!
*FX: GOP GOP
ゴポ ゴポ
*FX: BLORP
ドロ
*FX: ZZZMMMM
ズズズ ズ
AGGHHH!
IGH!
*ZZMMMM

WHAT ARE THEY...?!

COLD...

HUNGRYYY

OUCH!!

M-MONSTERS!!

TH-
THESE
THINGS
DEVOUR
PEOPLE!!

WAHHH!!

*FX: WAHHH WAHHH

DON'T LEAVE ME...!!

*FX: AIIEEE

W-WAIT !!

*ZALP

QUICKLY, LADY FARNESE!!

W-WAIT ...!!

FATHER MOZGUS ...!!

FATHER MOZGUS, IT IS DANGEROUS HERE!!

HRRRNN... IMPUDENT WITCH!!

*FLING

GAH HH!!

THE MAIN ENTRANCE IS NO USE!! LET US ESCAPE TO THE CHAPEL!!

*ZOMMM

CAS--!

OO... GHEEEE...

*FX: SHUDDER

*FX: ZZZMMM

SACRI-FICE.

OO... AH...

SACRI-FICE.

SACRI-FICE.

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ゴルッ。

YEE!

ぺっ...

*GOOP

*BROMM
NO...!!
N...

*FX: WAHHH WAHHH WAHHH

*FX: GCHAK

*FX: WAHHH WAHHH WAHHH

*FX: GASHANNNG

Y-YOU ...!!

WHY ARE YOU HERE...?!

*FX: FLINCH

*FX: SWIP

WHERE'S MY COMPANION?

ビク.

ビュオ.

ANSWER.

カチ カチ

*CLAK CLAK

COM-PANION ...?

Y-YOU MEAN TH-THAT WITCH?

SO YOU *ARE* FOLLOWING HER...

カチ

*FX: CHOK

DE UDDERGROUD TORCHA CHAMBA...

TORTURE CHAMBER ...

*FX: AUU

WHAT ?

I-IT'S POINTLESS TO GO NOW...

...OVER...

...OVER-FLOWING WITH THAT...

IT'S... TH-THE BASEMENT ...

WOULD YOU JUST SAY IT?!

I-I DON'T KNOW!!

THOSE THINGS CAN'T EXIST...

IT SHOULDN'T EXIST...

N-NO!!

WHO'D WANT GO NEAR *THAT* AGAIN...?!

*FX: CRASH

FUSH

SHOW ME.

THERE MUST BE ANOTHER WAY TO THE TORTURE CHAMBER, RIGHT?

*FX WAHHH WAHHH WAHHH

TCH!

...
...
!!

*FX: CRUMBLE CRUMBLE

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PART 2

THANKS TO ME, RIGHT NOW ELAINE IS...

...EVEN AT A TIME LIKE THIS...

YET STILL...

...I'M ONLY WORRIED ABOUT MYSELF.

*FX: WAHHH WAHHH

*FX: WAHHH WAHHH

I DON'T WANT TO DIE...

...IT HURTS.

*FX: WAHHH WAHHH

*FX: WAHHH

*FX: WHAM WHAM

*FX: (silence)

*FX: ZHFF ZHFF ZZZZ

*FX: ZHFF

*FX: ZZZZ

*FX: GREE

*FX: ZHAF ZHAF

FOUND YOU...

YO, GIRLY. YOU'RE ALIVE.

LUCA...

SAVE THE MUSHY STUFF FOR LATER.

SOMETHING'S REALLY WEIRD HERE.

IT SEEMS SOMETHING HAPPENED DOWN IN THE TORTURE CHAMBER...BUT I DON'T KNOW THE DETAILS.

THE ENTIRE TOWER'S LIKE A BEEHIVE SOMEONE SMACKED.

SORRY FOR THE WAIT.

LUCAAAA!!

A PLAN-- DIVER-SIONARY TACTICS.
R-RUN!
WE'LL USE THEM AS DECOYS WHILE WE ESCAPE.

HEY! WHAT'RE YOU DOING?!
WELL, THANKS TO THAT WE WERE ABLE TO GET THIS FAR...
OPEN UP!!
*GCHAK
LET ME OUT ...

...I MIGHT NOT LOOK THE PART, BUT I *AM* A HERETIC HUNTER.
YOU KNOW ...

DAMN KID...
IF YOU TURN ON US, I'LL TELL 'EM ALL SORTS OF STUFF ABOUT YOU.
SAY WHAT? YOU'RE AN *ACCOMPLICE* NOW, MAN.

IT'S A ROTTEN DUTY ANYWAY. NOW MY MIND'S MADE UP.
BUT, OH WELL...
...I'VE REALLY LOST MY EDGE.
*WAHHH
LOOKS LIKE...
*FX: WAHHH
I'M SORRY TO WRAP YOU UP IN THIS, JEROME.
GO NUTS.
*WAHHH

MAYBE GOING WRONG FOR THE SAKE OF A WOMAN...

...IS MORE IN CHARACTER FOR A LIBERTINE LIKE ME.

I REALLY DID GET HIM WRONG...

JEROME...

NINA.

WHERE'S CAS--ELAINE?

WAIT A MINUTE.

ALL RIGHT! THAT SAID, IT'S GOODBYE TO ALBION.

SHE'S MY MONEY RIDER.

YEAH, YEAH.

I'M SORRY, BUT THERE'S ONE MORE.

*FX: FLINCH

ビク

...
DON'T
...
I...

...BUT RIGHT NOW THE BASEMENT'S...
ELAINE'S IN THE TORTURE CHAMBER...

SHE'S PROBABLY IN THE BASEMENT. LET'S GO NOW WHILE IT'S CLEAR.
*FX: GCHAK GCHAK
*FX: FLINCH

ズ...ZZ

THIS WAY...

WHAT THE...?
WHA --?

*FX: ZZ
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*FX: ZZMM
ズズズ...

THIS SMELL IS PUTRID... IT SMELLS LIKE BLOOD...
*FX: SNAKT
THE PLACE IS EMPTY.
BUT THE WHOLE ROOM WAS FLOODING ...
*FX: WHANG
*FX: HNNNNNN
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*FX: SHNK SHNK

*FX: SHNK SHNK

*FX: TUNK

BUT THEN *THEY* SHOWED UP AND DYED THE WHOLE ROOM...

I SNUCK IN HERE SO I COULD RESCUE *CASCA.*

WHAT'RE *YOU* DOING?

DONNIN' HEAVY ARMOR TO MOW DOWN THE ENEMY...

CAS...

WHAT ABOUT HER...

WHAT ABOUT CASCA?!

...BUT CASCA WASN'T!

AND THOUGH SHE WAS SWALLOWED, HER PRESENCE *NEVER* VANISHED.

AH, BUT SOME-THIN'S WEIRD!

THE OTHER HUMANS WERE INSTANTLY DIS-SOLVED...

CASCA WAS...

... SWALLOWED UP BY THEM.

WHAT IS THIS GUY DOING...?
MUMBLING TO HIMSELF...
UH-UH, DEFI-NITELY!!
SHE'S SAFE, PROBABLY ...

*FX: ZSSHA

...!!

*FX: SHANG

THEN WHERE DID SHE GO?!
HMM... IT'S LIKE THEY CAME OUTTA EVERYWHERE, BUT THERE WAS ONE BIG SPIRIT, SO I THINK SHE'S IN THAT.

WHA...?
WHAT IS THAT...?!

*FX: FLINCH

THIS WAY.

I REMEMBER THAT...

NO, WAIT...

WHERE... WHERE DID I...?

IT WAS THEN...

THAT'S RIGHT.

*FX: FLAP

W- WAIT...

HEY.

JUST DON'T GET IN MY WAY...

...OR I'LL KILL YOU.

YOU CAN DO WHAT YOU WANT.

*FX: SNAP

*FX: ZZZM

*FX: ZZM

*FX: FLINCH

*FX: MGHOOO

*FX: GEEE

*FX: SHUDDER

*HRRN
*HRRN
:KISH
:KISH
THE DOOR WILL NOT HOLD!
PLEASE STEP BACK!!
WE HAVE NOTHING TO FEAR.

I DEVOTE MYSELF GLADLY TO THIS TRIAL.
FAITH DEMANDS OUR ALL.
KRAK
KRAK
OUR MOUTHS SHALL NOT CALL OUT FOR GOD TO SAVE US.
KNSH
KNSH
REPENT, THOU DEAD!!!
NOW IS THE TIME FOR OUR FAITH TO BE TESTED.

IT IS THROUGH DEATH THAT WE ESPY FAITH!!!
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STOP

This is the back of the book!

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