Phantom Of The Opera, The "Down Once More/Track Down This Murderer"

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PHANTOM:

Down once more to the dungeon of my black despair!

Down we plunge to the prison of my mind!

Down that path into darkness deep as hell!

Why, you ask, was I bound and chained to this cold and dismal place?

Not for any mortal sin, but the wickedness of my abhorrent face!

MOB:

Track down this murderer! He must be found! Track down this murderer! He must be found!

PHANTOM:

Hounded out by everyone! Met with hatred everywhere!

No kind word from anyone! No compassion anywhere! Christine... Why, why?

GIRY:

Your hand at the level of your eyes!

RAOUL:

...At the level of your eyes...

MOB:

Your hand at the level of your eyes!

GIRY:

This is as far as I dare go.

RAOUL:

Thank you.

CHRISTINE:

Have you gorged yourself at last, in your lust for blood?

Am I now to be prey to your lust for flesh?

PHANTOM:

That fate, which condemns me to wallow in blood Has also denied me the joys of the flesh This face, the infection which poisons our love
This face, which earned a mother's fear and loathing
A mask, my first unfeeling scrap of clothing

Pity comes too late, turn around and face your fate An eternity of this before your eyes!

CHRISTINE:

This haunted face holds no horror for me now It's in your soul that the true distortion lies

PHANTOM:

Wait! I think, my dear, we have a guest!
Sir, this is indeed an unparalleled delight!
I had rather hoped that you would come
And now my wish comes true, you have truly made my night!

RAOUL:

Free her! Do what you like, only free her! Have you no pity?

PHANTOM:

Your lover makes a passionate plea!

CHRISTINE:

Please, Raoul, it's useless

RAOUL:

I love her! Does that mean nothing?

PHANTOM:

The world showed no compassion to me!

RAOUL:

Christine, Christine... Let me see her

PHANTOM:

Be my guest, sir

Monsieur, I bid you welcome! Did you think that I would harm her? Why should I make her pay for the sins which are yours?

Order your fine horses now!
Raise up your hand to the level of your eyes!
Nothing can save you now except perhaps Christine
Start a new life with me
Buy his freedom with your love!
Refuse me, and you send your lover to his death!

This is the choice
This is the point of no return!

CHRISTINE:

The tears I might have shed for your dark fate Grow cold, and turn to tears of hate...

RAOUL:

Christine, forgive me, please forgive me I did it all for you, and all for nothing

CHRISTINE:

Farewell, my fallen idol and false friend We had such hopes, but now these hopes lie murdered

PHANTOM:

Too late for turning back, too late for prayers and useless pity

RAOUL:

Say you love him, and my life is over!

PHANTOM:

Past all hope of cries for help, no point in fighting

RAOUL:

Either way you choose, he has to win!

PHANTOM:

For either way you choose, you cannot win! So, do you end your days with me, or do you send him to his grave?

RAOUL:

Why make her lie to you, to save me?

CHRISTINE:

Angel of Music...

PHANTOM:

Past the point of no return

RAOUL:

For pity's sake, Christine, say no!

CHRISTINE:

...why this torment?

PHANTOM:

...the final threshold...

RAOUL:

Don't throw your life away for my sake

CHRISTINE:

Why do you curse mercy?

PHANTOM:

His life is now the prize which you must earn!

RAOUL:

I fought so hard to free you

CHRISTINE:

Angel of Music...

PHANTOM:

You've passed the point of no return

CHRISTINE:

...you deceived me. I gave you my mind blindly

PHANTOM:

You try my patience, make your choice!

CHRISTINE:

Pitiful creature of darkness, what kind of life have you known?

God, give me courage to show you you are not alone...

MOB:

Track down this murderer - he must be found!
Who is this monster, this murdering beast?
Hunt out this animal, who runs to ground!
Revenge for Piangi! Revenge for Buquet!
Too long he's preyed on us but know we know
The Phantom of the Opera is there, deep down below

PHANTOM:

Take her… Forget me… Forget all of this… Leave me alone… Forget all you've seen…
Go now… don't let them find you! Take the boat…
Swear to me never to tell
The secret you know of the angel in hell! Go… Go
now, go now and leave me!

Masquerade… Paper faces on parade Masquerade… Hide your face, so the world will never find you...

Christine, I love you...

CHRISTINE:

Say you'll share with me, one love, one lifetime

RAOUL:

Say the word and I will follow you...

CHRISTINE:

Share each day with me each night, each morning...

PHANTOM:

You alone can make my song take flight It's over now, the music of the night...

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