EPISODE NO.23

SERIES 2

THE AVENGERS

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"MURDERSVILLE"

DLALOGUE SHEETS.

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MAIN TITLES

CLOSE SHOT VILLAGE SIGN:

"Welcome to Little Storping"

NO DIALOGUE

ZOOMING OUT TO:

ESTABLISHING SHOT VILLAGE.

EXT. VILLAGE PUB.

MICKLE:

HUBERT: An.

it is a nice day.

Yesterday was nice too. MICKLE:

Ah. yesterday was a nice day. HUBERT:

Might rain, though.

Nice day Hubert.

Oh, I dunno. MICKLE:

WILSON somersaults out of pub. MARTIN follows

and shoots him down.

You might be right, Hubert -MICKLE: a funny old day. Might rain.

M.S. WILSON'S BODY on ground ZOOMING OUT TO

L.S. VILLAGE.

EPISODE TITLE SUPERIMPOSED

THE AVENGERS I.D. CARD

COMMENTATOR

TONIGHT'S EPISODE OF THE AVENGERS

IS BROUGHT TO YOU BY:

COMMERCIAL BREAK

INT. STEED'S APARTMENT

Steed. Major Paul Croft. EMMA:

John Steed.

Sorry, I haven't a hand to offer you. CROFT:

Come in Major, delighted to see you STEED:

at last. How was the trip ?

He was two hours late. EMMA:

Held up in Karachi. CROFT:

"MURDERSVILLE" Page 2 REEL ONE Steed. CROFT: How do you do. STEED: Do sit down, won't you. Thank you. CROFT: I've heard a lot about you. That puts us on equal terms then, Mrs. STEED: Poel has been talking about you all week CROFT: I've been looking forward to seeing you EMMA: I gather you've known each other for a STEED: long time. Since I was seven. EMMA: Six. She was a leggy little horror with CROFT: pigtails. I can't believe it. STEED: Oh, it's true. We lived next door to CROFT:) each other. I often used to climb over the wall and . . . No, no, I meant the Champagne. I STEED: specifically asked my Vintner for a twenty-six. He's sent me a twenty-seven. What's a digit between friends ? EMMA: But on his first day home STEED: After years of defending some far flung corner of the British Empire. He deserves a more than special vintage. Oh the twenty-seven will be fine Steed, CROFT: really, and you don't have to call me Major. Not any more. Oh ? EMMA: It's a fact. I'm resigning my commission. CROFT: I've bought a little house in the country, and I'm going to settle down and grow things. Breed horses, or something. Paul, that's marvellous. Where is this EMMA: place ? Just outside little Storping. CROFT:

CROFT:

Neither do I. I bought the place,
sight unseen. I saw an advert in
"THE TIMES". It sounded just the sort

EMMA:

Little Storping ? I don't know it.

REEL ONE

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EMMA:

Thank you.

CROFT:

Thank you.

STEED:

So, you're going onto Little Storping

later ?

CROFT:

Yes, Forbes has gone on ahead to tidy up.

EMMA:

Forbes ? Private Forbes ? Is he still

with you.

CROFT:

Oh yes, after all these years., I still

can't get rid of the beer scaked

rascal. He ought to be there by now. Knowing him, he's probably stopped off for

a drink at the local pub.

EXT. PUB.

Establishing shot.

INT. PUB

FORBES:

We've had some good times the Major and

ne.

JENNY:

Father it's nearly twelve o'clock.

FORBES:

Is it now? I'd better be moving then, before the Major starts chasing after me.

PREWITT:

I thought you said you had him trained

properly?

JENNY:

Father, you know there's an event at

twelve o'clock.

PREWITT:

I'd forgotten.

FORBES:

Event?

Local carnival or something. Anything

worth watching?

MICKLE:

Oh, no, no, no, nothing really interesting,

really.

FORBES:

Well....

MICKLE:

You're not going yet, are you.

HUBERT:

Not without another.

PREWITT:

Oh, of course he's not, particularly as

this one's on the house.

FORBES:

Well, it's the last one mind.
I must say, this is a friendly little

MI AAA

REEL ONE

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HUBERT:

Ah, well, we don't get many strangers

passing through.

MICKLE:

Off the beaten track you see. Hardly anyone knows it's here.

FORBES:

What exactly is this event.

MICKLE:

Pardon.

FORBES:

An event at twelve you said, just . . .

Did you hear that?

MICKLE:

Hear what?

FORBES: .

Gun shots. Sounded like gun shots.

MICKLE:

Gun shots. Gun shots?

Did you hear anything like that Hubert ?

HUBERT:

Like what?

MICKLE:

Gun shots ?

HUBERT:

Eh?

FORBES:

Seemed to come from right outside.

PREWITT:

Probably a car back-firing or just

your imagination.

FORBES:

Well I - a - I really must be going

this time.

PREWITT:

See you again perhaps -

next time you're passing through.

FORBES:

You'll be seeing me sooner than that,

and more often.

Moving into the area.

PREWITT:

Moving in ?

FORBES:

Yeah.

MICKLE:

Permanently ?

FORBES:

That's right, just taken the old house on the hill.

INT. STEED'S APARTMENT

CROFT:

Emma, you know I could just as easily

hire a car.

EMMA:

I wouldn't hear of it.

STEED:

A stubborn streak.

CROFT:

But it's quite a way.

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CROFT:

It's not new. It's just a big

honest country house.

EXT. CROFT'S HOUSE.

Establishing shot.

FORBES:

Hello.

Come to give me a hand, have you ?

That's what I call neighbourly.

Really neighbourly.

Careful with that, though, valuable.

I told you to be careful!

MICKLE:

That was clumsy Hubert.

HUBERT:

Ah.

MICKLE:

Wonder what's in that box, Hubert ?

HUBERT:

0h - aye.

FORBES:

No:

HUBERT/MICKLE: LAUGH:

END OF REEL ONE:

884 feet + 7 frames.

EXT. COUNTRY ROAD

EMMA'S CAR travelling. NO DIALOGUE

INT. CAR

REEL TWO

EMMA & CROFT. Emma overtakes

Morgan in his limousine.

NO DIALOGUE

EXT. VILLAGE SIGN. NO DIALOGUE

EXT. PUB.

WILLIAMS takes gun from

inside car.

NO DIALOGUE

EXT. VILLAGE STREET

EMMA and CROFT arrive.

NO DILLOGUE

INT. EMMA'S CAR.

EMMA: Now there's a funny thing.

Did you notice that man back there? Frederick Williams. Big financier.

Or at least he was.

CROFT: Sorry, I've been out of touch for quite

a while.

EMMA: Well his empire crumbled a few weeks ago.

He was virtually ruined.

CROFT: What's funny about that?

EMMA: Did you notice the driver of the big

limousine we passed a few miles back. ?

CROFT: Thick set chap?

EMMA: Samuel Morgan.

The nan who slipped the financial knife

into Williams. Quite a coincidence. Out of the way spot like this and two of the deadliest enemies within a mile

or so of each other.

EXT. COUNTRY ROAD AND CROFT'S DRIVEWAY

Emma's car travelling.

INT. EMMA'S CAR

CROFT:

I can't tell you how much I appreciate all this Emma. The places I've lived in

the last few years. Lonely and remote

REEL TWO

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CROFT:

What the ...!

EXT. CROFT'S HOUSE

CROFT'S F.O.V. of debris scattered around car.

CROFT:

He must have got drunk. Raving drunk.

Forbes. Forbes.

o.s. Forbes. Forbes. Forbes.

CROFT:

I'll break him. I'll personally take hold of his scraggy little neck.....

EMMA:

Paul, you don't know what's happened here.

You don't even know if it was him.

CROFT:

Of course it was him. I've warned him before about drinking, a hundred times.

I mean, who else would

EMMA:

Well, he doesn't seem to be here.

CROFT:

No, he's probably skulking in the bushes somewhere, or else gone back to get recharged. I'm going to check the pub.

I'll roust him out.

EMMA:

Paul.

CROFT:

You stay here.

EMMA:

Take my car.

EXT. THE PUB.

HUBERT & MICKLE outside. Croft approaching along road.

HUBERT:

Llı.

INT. THE PUB.

0.5. JENNY:

Good afternoon sir. Can I help you?

CROFT:

Yes. I'm looking for a man called Forbes. About so high, neat looking

fellow - clean shaven.

JENNY:

Sorry.

CROFT:

But you didn't even stop to think.

JENNY:

I don't know anyone named Forbes.... I find reamorte a stancer and I

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EMMA:

FORBES!

Emma turns and reacts as log comes into frame aimed at her.

INT. THE PUB

JENNY:

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PREWITT:

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HAYMES:

Are you feeling better ?

I'm Doctor Haymes.

You've been lucky. No bones broken. But you've taken rather a nasty bump.

JENNY:

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that wall.

PREWITT:

Yes, she must have skidded past it by

inches.

ENIMA:

Wall? Skidded?

JENNY:

See for yourself.

Emma moves to door and

looks out.

EMMA'S P.O.V. of crashed

car.

EMMA:

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I was with Forbes.

PREWITT:

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we pulled you out.

EMMA:

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Somebody had murdered him with a sickle.

HAYMES:

Sit down, you'll feel better.

EMMA:

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in the grounds of Paul's house.

HAYMES:

Paul ? Who's Paul ?

EMMA:

Major Croft.

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him ?

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EMMA:

There's a dead man in the grounds of Paul's house. If you don't believe me, why don't you come and see for yourself.

PREWITT:

It's a waste of time.

HAYMES:

You seem very sure of your facts.

EMMA:

I am. Are you coming?

PREWITT:

Come now Doctor.

HAYMES:

All right, I'll come with you, but

we'd better take my oar.

EXT. CROFT'S HOUSE DRIVEWAY.

HAYMES car travelling.

INT. HAYMES CAR

EMMA:

Paul went beserk when he saw the vreckage. He just wasn't thinking clearly. He jumped to the first assumption that Forbes had got drunk. Mind you, one can hardly blame him, when he saw those beautiful things - just destroyed.

EXT. CROFT'S HOUSE

HAYMES:

Well, where are we supposed to find

the body?

HAYMES:

Higgins!

HIGGINS:

Doctor Haymes, you gave me a scare, Sir,

I must have dozed off.

EMMA:

Do you know this man?

HAYMES:

Oh yes, everybody knows him. Best jobbing gardener in the village, when he's awake.

EMMA:

What are you doing here?

HIGGINS:

Why looking after the gardens, of course.

EMMA:

For Major Croft ?

HIGGINS:

I don't know anyone named Croft. No, the Estate Agents ask me to keep the place a bit tidy . . . just in case they ever sell it.

EMMA:

But it has been sold.

HAYMES:

Well the important question is - how long

have you been sleeping here?

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HAYMES:

The whole time?

HIGGINS:

Afraid so. You know me Doctor -

heavy sleeper.

INT. HAYMES' CAR

HAYMES:

I shouldn't worry about it you know.
This sort of thing happens. A blow on
the head can lead to all sorts of things,
amnesia, even hallucinations. It'll soon
pass. Look my surgery's not - a - not for
from here, it's on the road out. If you'd
like to call in there with me I'll give you
some pills.

EMMA:

Can you give me an explanation, too ?

HAYMES:

Well, no that, that, I'm afraid I can't do.

EXT. VILLAGE STREET

HAYMES CAR STOPS.
EMMA ALIGHTS.
MOVES TO HER CAR
WHERE MICKLE & HUBERT
Ere laughing and talking
ad lib.

MICKLE: (0.S) ad lib.

. you might send on fire ...

MICKLE:

Nice little motor.

Oh, did you find the body then ?

EMMA:

I'll take you up on that offer. The pills.

HAYMES:

Oh - yes - O.K. fine. Well it's not far,

follow me.

EMMA:

Do you mind?

EMMA'S CAR follows HAYMES' along road. Stopping outside his house.

INT. HAYMES' SURGERY

HAYMES:

Here we are then, if you just take two of these four times a day, you'll feel

fine.

EMMA:

May I use your phone ?

HAYMES:

Yes, surely. What about the pills ?

EMMA:

Oh, they were only an excuse, I didn't want them to suspect.

Operator ?

(into phone)

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HAYMES:

Come now - come on now -

look, if I could persuade you to take a sodative and rest up for a while....

EMMA:

I'm perfectly all right.

EMMA:

(into phone)

Operator ?

INT. TELEPHONE EXCHANGE

EMMA'S VOICE OVER:

Give me the police please.

MAGGIE:

Police ?

EMMA'S VOICE OVER:

That's right. Get me the nearest police station and please hurry.

MAGGIE:

One moment please.

INT. HAYMES' SURGERY

HAYMES:

Well I hope you know what you're doing ?

EMMA:

I know.

HAYMES:

I can't support you over this you know.

I mean medically you're suffering from....

BANKS' VOICE (from phone)

County Police.

EMMA:

Hello. Police ?

BANK'S VOICE:

Sergeant Banks here, can I help you?

EMMA:

You certainly can. I'd like to report a

murder.

BANKS' VOICE:

A murder ?

EIMA:

Possibly two.

BANKS' VOICE:

Your name ?

EMMA:

Mrs. Emma Peel.

BANKS' VOICE:

And where are you phoning from Mrs.Peel.?

EMMA:

Doctor ?

HAYMES:

Haymes.

EMMA:

Doctor Haymes's Surgery, Little Storping.

BANKS' VOICE:

Stay there, we're on our way.

HAYMES:

This is ridiculous. I've known the people of this village more than

half my life.

EXT. VILLAGE

POLICE CAR TRAVELLING.

PREWITT AND JENNY watch as it passes The Pub.

INT. HAYMES' SURGERY

BANKS:

It's a strange story Mrs. Peel, very

strange.

EMMA:

You've probably heard stranger.

BANKS:

Not many. No, not many.

You say you went up to the house with her

and saw nothing.

HAYMES:

No, nothing.

END OF REEL THREE

728 feet + 11 frames.

INT. HAYMES SURGERY

HAYMES:

Sorry but that is the truth.

BANKS:

Well, don't worry about it.
We'll soon get to the bottom of all this.
We'll take a run up there and make a
thomough check. I can contact you here

later ?

HAYMES:

Oh, you're welcome to stay.

EMAIA:

. Oh, but surely, oughtn't I to go al......

BANKS: (Interrupts)

From now on it's police business, Mrs. Peel. I think we can handle it.

EMMA:

The watch!

I forgot to tell him about Paul's watch.

EMMA'S P.O.V. EXT. SURGERY

BANKS getting in car.

EMMA starts to say something but stops:

Bu.....

(Reacts to coloured socks).

INT. HAYMES SURGERY

HAYMES:

Well, did you catch him in time?
Well that little tit-bit about
the watch must have added credibility
to your story.

EMMA:

Had you ever seen him before ?

HAYNES:

Banks ? No, no, he must be the County

Police - I - a -

Are you all right, Mrs. Peel ?

I think you ought to lie down and have

a rest.

EFMA:

So you wouldn't know if he were a Policeman

or not ?

HAYMES:

Oh now look, you saw him arrive - in a Police car . . and wearing uniform.

EMMA:

And patterned socks. Did you ever see a uniformed policeman wearing brightly

coloured patterned socks ?

HAYMES:

I see.

EMMA:

What are you doing?

HAYMES:

Calling the hospital.

It appears that blow on the head has caused more trouble than I anticipated.

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MAGGIE'S VOICE THROUGH PHONE:

Hello. Hello.

HAYMES:

(into phone)

Maggie.

Call a meeting.

An emergency meeting.

Sorry about that.

FIGHT SEQUENCE STARTS:

EMMA:

Uh. Paul.

COMMERCIAL BREAK

THE AVENCERS I.D. CARD.

COMMENTATOR:

THE AVENCERS WILL CONTINUE FOLLOWING THIS PAUSE FOR STATION IDENTIFICATION.

A.B.C. LOGO CARD

THE AVENGERS I.D. CARD

COMMERCIAL BREAK

EXT. VILLAGE STREET. LONG SHOT

EMMA'S car travelling.

then

MED. SHOT EMMA'S car

stops by cottages. EMMA gets out and

goes to door, moves

across road.

NO DIALOGUE

NO DIALOGUE

EMMA knocks on cottage door and walks along looking in the windows.

NO DIALOGUE

EMMA enters THE PUB.

INT. THE PUB

EMMA reacts to swinging ball chain and moves to

counter.

NO DIALOGUE

INT. LIBRARY:

PREWITT:

Something's got to be done and quickly.

BANKS:

Well I gained us a bit of time. I

told her to stay put at Haymes place.

JENNY:

And we've got Maggie to thank for that.

PREWITT:

Yes, if she'd lost her head when this Peel woman started asking for the police...

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MICKLE:

That's only because you're the only one

that'll fit into that uniform.

BANKS:

Now just a minute.

MICKLE:

Look, we're wasting time.

What we're here for is to decide what are we going to do about Mrs. Peel?

AVRIL:

Where's Haymes ?

After all, he called this meeting, didn't

he?

PREWITT:

Yes, that's quite right -

where is he?

INT. HAYMES' SURGERY

HAYMES staggers to his feet and walks to door.

NO DIALOGUE

INT. THE PUB

ELMA: (into phone)

Hello. Hello.

INT. TELEPHONE EXCHANGE

EMMA'S VOICE:

Hello.

EXT. VILLAGE STREET

HAYMES car travelling, stops outside library.

NO DIALOGUE

INT. LIBRARY

HAYMES:

Mrs. Peel.

She's got away.

EXT. THE PUB AND VILLAGE STREET.

JENNY'S VOICE:

There she is.

EMMA RE-ACTS, the villagers start to close in on her.

EMMA runs around buildings to farm. Wrestles with farmer.

FARMER:

Ouch.

EMMA rushes off around farm. Crowd pursue her. SHE throws them, one by one.

EXT. FIELDS & HEDGEROW

HELICOPTER CHASE

EXT. FIELDS & HEDGEROWS

EMMA runs across fields, tries to climb over iron fence but gets entangled in barbed wire. She starts to free herself:

NO DIALOGUE

EXT. INT. HELICOPTER

They have spotted EMMA.

NO DIALOGUE

HELICOPTER DESCENDING IN EMMA'S DIRECTION.

EMMA is knocked flat by the wind from the helicopter's blades.

NO DIALOGUE

EMMA rises and runs across field. HELICOPTER CHASES HER.

EVENTUALLY EMMA FALLS TO THE GROUND AND HELICOPTER STARTS TO DESCEND NEAR HER BODY.

NO DIALOGUE

EXT. MUSEUM DOOR

LITTLE STORPING MUSEUM.

NO DIALOGUE

INT. MUSEUM

PAN AROUND MUSEUM stopping at EMMA in chastity belt.

JEREMY:

I'm afraid it's no use. We've all of us tried.

I'm afraid these old things were

made to last.

EMMA:

Where is this place?

JEREMY:

Little Storping Museum. I often used to help the Curator here. Forgive me, my name is Purser, Jeremy Purser. I

was once the Vicar here.

This is George Miller. He was the Police Sergeant for this district.

MILLER:

Miss.

JEREMY:

And Mr. Chapman. The local magistrate.

CHAPMAN:

How do you do ?

HILARY o.s. (Grunts).

TERRINY .

and Italianer also man the talling

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HILARY: (grunts).

JEREMY: They thought she was yelling too much.

EMMA: They? You mean those mad men outside?

JEREMY: Oh, they're not mad.

EXT. MUSEUM

TWO MEN BY FENCE,

one is machine gunning

the other.

NO DIALOGUE

INT. MUSEUM

EMMA: What is going on here?

JEREMY: Little Storping has become a boom town.

EMMA: What happened?

JEREMY: Little Storping seemed doomed.

We had all met to write it's epitaph...

CHAPMAN: And then it happened . . .

EMMA: What happened?

JEREMY: Two strangers. Two men we'd never seen

before - they came out of the Pub. They were arguing and then one took out a

gun and killed the other.

CHAPMAN: We saw the whole thing from the window.

HILARY: (GRUNTS).

JEREMY: He committed murder in front of the whole

village. In front of all those witnesses.

EMMA: And you - you went out and arrested him?

MILLER: He came into us.

CHAPMAN: That's when he offered us the deal.

EMMA: What deal?

JEREMY: He was a rich man. Very rich. He

offered us one million pounds to be equally

divided amongst the whole village.

CHAPMAN: If we promised to keep our mouths shut

about what we'd seen.

HILARY: (GRUNTS)

MMA: And then . . .?

CHAPMAN: Well, it was a tempting offer...

particularly coming when it did.

EMMA: Surely it wasn't taken seriously.

CHAPMAN. Oh, but it was - deadly serious.

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JEREMY:

And it was carried.

There were only four dissenters -

Us four.

EMMA:

They . . . took the money. . ?

JEREMY:

The whole village - as one man. They all connived at murder.

Doctor Haynes swore the victim had

died of a heart attack - and the murderer had as many witnesses as he needed to prove it. He bought an entire community. The

perfect crime.

EMNIA:

But since then ?

CHAPMAN:

Oh then, the seeds were sown, weren't

they?

HILARY: (GRUNTS)

JEREMY:

A million divided wasn't enough the people had tasted money - they became greedier. So they held another

meeting.....

CHAPMAN:

And agreed to offer the same service

to others.

JEREMY:

For a fat fee - you can lure your enemy to this village - and then kill him at

will - and get away with it.

MILLER:

The town's wide open.

EXT: VILLAGE STREET

BODY is pushed out

of car.

INT. MUSEUM:

JEREMY:

Anything can happen in Little Storping.

Anything at all.

COMMERCIAL BREAK

EXT. VILLAGE

GROUP moving towards

Village sign., around pond.

INT. MUSEUM

EMMA:

You can't just stand by and let this

nightmare continue.

JEREMY:

As I told you - we have tried -

but our predicament is an impossible one.

EMMA:

Nothing's impossible.

EXT. VILLAGE

The villagers approaching.

INT. MUSEUM

EMMA tries to reach knife. DOOR bursts open and the "nob" enter. NO DIALOGUE

HAYNES:

Mrs. Peel. We've come to a

decision about you. You are to disappear.

You were never in Little Storping.

EMMA:

I wish that were true.

HAYMES:

There is a slight problem.

PREWITT:

We've checked up on Croft's papers He and his man only just arrived in this country, so nobody's going to

miss them.

HAYMES:

But you, Mrs. Peel . . . we know very

little about you.

EMMA:

Shall I give you a thumb-nail sketch ?

HAYMES:

Who knows you're here, Mrs. Peel. Who's

going to miss you ?

MICKLE:

I'll make her talk.

HAYMES:

Yes, she'll all yours.

EXT. THE VILLAGE.

HAYMES:

You could spare yourself this, Mrs. Peel.

HAYMES:

You know what we want.

EMMA GASPS.

HAYMES:

Who knows you're here ?

WHO!!!

JENNY:

Isn't that enough?

Haymes!

HAYMES:

Let her up.

EMMA GASPING:

EMMA:

All right. I'll tell you.

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INT. THE PUB.

HAYMES:

Who knows you're here ?

EMMA:

Only one person.

HAYMES:

Who?

EMMA:

John. My husband.

INT. STEED'S APARTMENT

STEED answers phone:

STEED:

Hello.

INT. THE PUB

EMMA: (into phone)

John Darling. It's Emma.

INT. STEED'S APARTMENT

STEED: (reacts)

Emm.

Oh - a - Mrs....

INT. THE PUB

EMMA: (into phone)

Don't be silly darling, your wife.

INT. STEED'S APARTMENT

EMMA'S VOICE thru phone:

How's my little Johnsie-Wonsie.

STEED: (into phone)

Johnsie-Wonsie's fine.

But you sound as though you've been soaking up just a tiny bit too much

grape juice.

INT. THE PUB

EMMA:

You haven't been out all day.

You really should darling -

drive out - take the children with you.

INT. STEED'S APARTMENT

STEED: (into phone)

CHILDREN!

You're in trouble aren't you.

INT. THE PUB

EMMA: (into phone)

That's right.

INT. STEED'S APARTMENT

STEED: (into phone)

Is there somebody listening.

INT. STEED'S APARTMENT (INTERCUTTING WITH)

INT. THE PUB:

TELEPHONE CONVERSATION BETWEEN EMMA & STEED CONTINUES.

STEED: (into phone)

Oh.

Err - would you mind telling me where you

are.

EMMA: (into phone)

No darling, that would be silly.

STEED: (into phone)

Are you in Little Storping?

EMMA: (into phone)

Yes.. I had some trouble with my car.

I had to drive over to -

HAYNES:

Salisbury.

EMMA: (into phone)

- to Salisbury.

I'm calling from there.

STEED: (into phone)

That's what they want me to think.

EMMA: (into phone)

That's right darling.

(distort)

Kiss little Albert for me, And Julian, and Gordon and

baby Brian.

STEED: (into phone)

Look, can you give me a clue, a hint,

anything.

EMMA: (into phone)

Don't forget you promised to take them

to the museum. You can do that after

you've been to the Pub.

HAYNES:

That's enough.

STEED: (into phone)

A pub and a museum.

You want me to meet you in the Pub at

Little Storping.

EMMA: (into phone)

Good bye darling.

STEED: (into phone)

Mrs. Peel.

TELEPHONE CONVERSATION ENDS. RESUME INT. THE PUB.

HAYMES:

Excellent. We're in the clear -

she was in Salisbury when she disappeared.

INT. STEED'S APARTMENT

STEED: (murmurs)

'Take them to the museum - after

I've been to the pub? Pub and

Museum.

INT. THE MUSEUM

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EMMA:

What else do you have in mind?

HUBERT:

I tell you what I got in mind ..

MICKLE:

And I tell you what I got in mind.

HAYMES:

Just a little helicopter ride over the

sea and a long drop down.

INT. THE PUB

JENNY:

Oh:

STEED:

I was admiring the - a - your

old customs. Good evening.

I'd like a pint of your very best ale

please.

JENNY:

Right away sir.

STEED:

Nice little place.

JENNY:

Oh, we like it sir.

Just passing through, are you sir?

STEED:

Yes, just passing through.

I thought I might have a loo in your

nuseum. Thank you.

You do have a museum?

PREWITT:

Yes we have one.

STEED:

Oh!

PREWITT:

Quite a nice one in fact, but I'm afraid

it's shut at this time of night.

STEED:

Oh dear, and I've driven all this way I was thinking perhaps I could get hold of

the Curator - persuade him to

show me around.

JEMNY:

Oh - a - that's impossible.

PREWITT:

He's away.... for several weeks.

The place will be all locked up for sometime.

STEED:

Tut-tut-tut. Dear me, what a pity.

Mrs. Enma Peel.

Wanted to see your reaction.

I'll leave you to tidy up.

INT. LIBRARY/READING ROOM:

STEED enters and looks around. Moves to MUSEUM door., then back behind shelves.

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INT. MUSEUM.

EMMA:

Stood.

STEED:

Mrs. Poel. Are you all right?

EMMA:

So far.

STEED:

Be with you in a moment, gentlemen.

Now, where shall I start.

Well, took your advice, went to the Pub. The landlord was extremely inhospitable. He came at me with a twelve bore. . . I didn't even

criticise the beer.

EMMA:

The whole village is crooked. The only people you can trust are

those you can see here.

STEED:

How d'you do ?

HILARY: (GRUNTS).

EXT. THE VILLAGE STREET:

HAYMES, MICKLE & HUBERT are making their way along road.

INT. THE MUSEUM

STEED:

It may surprise you to know that I've had very little experience with this

type of garment.

EMMA:

Aah. I told them you were a whiz with

locks.

STEED:

Ah - now.

EMMA:

Oh.

STEED:

Not a word.

STEED:

Ready.

FIGHT SEQUENCE STARTS

HAYMES:

Uurrghh.

AD LIB GRUNTS AND GROANS.

STEED:

All right?

EMMA:

Hold it!

You run the telephone exchange - right?
Well THIS time you're going to put through
a genuine call. Little Storping is finished
and you've got a great deal to tell the

authorities.

STEED:

This'll be something to tell the children.

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STEED:

Little Julian, Albert, Gordon and

baby Brian.

HILARY: (GRUNTS).

COMMERCIAL BREAK

INT. STEED'S APARTMENT

STEED:

I don't know why you had to put it on

in the first place.

EMMA:

Well, you were there.

You saw for youself.

For protection, and on that occasion,

it served its purpose.

STEED:

True.

Not only are we gonna be late for this party, but the Ambassador's gonna take

it as a personal affront.

EMMA:

Oh ?

STEED:

We all know his reputation as a womaniser,

but to turn up in armour - it really is

very inconvenient.

EMMA:

You're telling me.

I couldn't find a dress to match it.

STEED:

Ah, maybe you could pass it off as one

of the latest Paris fashions.

EMMA:

Steed, will you please

STEED:

Hold on. Ready?

EMMA:

Uhumm.

STEED:

I'll do the very best I can. What we

really need is a safe cracker.

EMMA STEED Ahhhhhh. (laughs)

There.

STEED:

There - it's perfectly simple.

You just hadn't adjusted it properly. All you had to do was to slip it into place - bop - like that - and when

you want to remove it - you -

EMMA: (LAUGHS)

Ha! Ha! Ha!

STEED:

Mrs. Peel.

Mrs. Peel.

EMMA: (LAUGHS)

My knight in shining armour -

mmm - have a sip.

COMMERCIAL BREAK

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