Down Once More/Track Down This Murderer

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The Phantom Of The Opera
Down Once More, Track Down This Murderer
(a vertical line of **** indicates areas of the text were there is a substantial overlapping of different voices)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

in 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!PHANTOM

Hounded out by

everyone!

Met with hatred

everywhere!

No kind word from

anyone!

No compassion

anywhere!Christine, 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!MOB

Track down this

murderer -

He must be found!

Hunt out this animal,

who runs to ground!

Too long he's preyed on us -

but now we know:

the Phantom of the Opera

is there,

deep down below...He's here:

the Phantom of the Opera...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?

I love her!

Show some compassion...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 your 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...

*One by one

*I've watched

*illusions shattered...

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*PHANTOM

*Too late for

*turning back,

*too late for

*prayers and

*useless pity...*RAOUL

*Say you love him,

*and my

*life is over!

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*PHANTOM

*Past all hope

*of cries for help:

*no point in fighting -*RAOUL

*Either way

*you choose,

*he has to win...

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*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...

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*PHANTOM

*Past the point

*of no return -

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*RAOUL

*For pity's sake,

*Christine, say no!*CHRISTINE

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*...why this torment?
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*PHANTOM

*...the final threshold...

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*RAOUL

*Don't throw your life
*away for my sake...*CHRISTINE
*When will you see

*reason...?

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*PHANTOM

*His life is now the prize
*which you must earn!

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*RAOUL

*I fought so hard *to free you...*CHRISTINE *Angel of Music...

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*PHANTOM

*You've passed the point *of no return...CHRISTINE

.you deceived me -

I gave 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

(some:)

*Track down this

*murderer -

*he must be found!

*Hunt out this

*animal,

*who runs to ground!

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*Too long he's

*preyed on us -

*but now we know:

*the Phantom of the Opera

*is there,

*deep down below...

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*(others:)

*Who is this monster,

*this murdering beast?

*Revenge for Piangi!

*Revenge for Buquet!

*This creature

*must never go free...

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*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 - leave me here -

*go now,

*don't wait...

*Just take her and go - before it's

*too late...

*Go...

Go now - go now and leave me!Masquerade...

Paper facer 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...

say the world

and I will follow you...RAOUL

Share each day with me...CHRISTINE

.each night...BOTH

.each morning...PHANTOM

You alone

can make my song take flight - it's over now, the music of the

night...

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