

Les Miserables, The Attack On Rue Plumet

Eponine
'Parnasse, what are you doing
So far out of our patch?

Montparnasse
This house, we're going to do it
Rich man, plenty of scratch
You remember he's the one
Who got away the other day
Got a number on his chest
Perhaps a fortune put away!

Eponine
Oh Lord, somebody help me!
Dear God, what'll I do?
He'll think this is an ambush
He'll think I'm in it too!

What'll I do, what'll I say?
I've got to warn them here
I've got to find a way.

(Thenardier arrives with the rest of his gang.)

Thenardier
This is his lair
I've seen the old fox around
He keeps himself to himself
He's staying close to the ground
I smell profit here!

Ten years ago
He came and paid for Cosette
I let her go for a song
It's time we settled the debt
This'll cost him dear

Brujon
What do I care
Who you should rob
Give me my share
Finish the job!

Thenardier
You shut your mouth
Give me your hand

(He notices Eponine but doesn't recognize her.)

Brujon
What have we here?

Thenardier
Who is this hussy?

Babet
It's your brat Eponine
Don't you know your own kid
Why's she hanging about you?

Thenardier
'Ponine, get on home
You're not needed in this
We're enough here without you

Eponine
I know this house
I tell you there's nothing here for you
Just the old man and the girl
They live ordinary lives

Thenardier
Don't interfere
You've got some gall
Take care, young miss,
You've got a lot to say!

Brujon
She's going soft

Claquesous
Happens to all

Montparnasse
Go home, 'Ponine,
Go home, you're in the way

Eponine
I'm gonna scream, I'm gonna warn them here.

Thenardier
One little scream and you'll regret it for a year.

Claquesous
What a palaver
What an absolute treat
To watch a cat and it's father
Pick a bone in the street

Brujon
Not a sound out of you!

Eponine
Well I told you I'd do it, told you I'd do it...

(She screams.)

Thenardier
You wait my girl, you'll rue this night
I'll make you scream, you'll scream all right
Leave her to me, don't wait around
Make for the sewers, go underground!

(The gang scatters.)

Marius
It was your cry sent them away
Once more 'Ponine saving the day
Dearest Cosette, my friend 'Ponine
Brought me to you, showed me the way!

Someone is near
Let's not be seen
Somebody's here...

(Marius leaves quickly as Valjean enters.)

Valjean
My God, Cosette
I heard a cry in the dark
I heard the shout of angry voices in the street.

Cosette
That was my cry you heard, Papa.
I was afraid of what they'd do.
They ran away when they heard my cry

Valjean
Cosette, my child, what will become of you?

Cosette
Three men I saw beyond the wall
Three men in shadow moving fast

Valjean
This is a warning to us all
These are the shadows of the past
Must be Javert!
He's found my cover at last!
I've got to get Cosette away
Before they return!
We must get away from shadows
They will never let us be
Tomorrow to Calais
Then a ship across the sea!
Hurry, Cosette, prepare to leave and say no more
Tomorrow we'll away!
Hurry, Cosette, it's time to close another door
And live another day!