

# Les Miserables, The Bargain

[Valjean and Young Cosette arrive at the now empty inn, hand in hand.]

Valjean

I found her wandering in the wood  
This little child, I found her trembling in the shadows  
And I am here to help Cosette  
And I will settle any debt you may think proper  
I will pay what I must pay  
To take Cosette away.  
There is a duty I must heed,  
There is a promise I have made  
For I was blind to one in need  
I did not see what stood before me  
Now her mother is with God  
Fantine's suffering is over  
And I speak here with her voice  
And I stand here in her place  
And from this day and evermore

Mme. Thenardier

Let me have your coat, M'sieur

Valjean

Cosette shall live in my protection

Thenardier

You are very welcome here

Valjean

I shall not forsake my vow

Thenardier

Take a glass

Mme. Thenardier

Take a chair

Valjean

Cosette shall have a father now!