

SIDE 7

SCENE 7

Agnes

Roberta

Ginger

Michael

*(Suddenly MICHAEL comes running out of the blackness, shouting.
AGNES, out of fear, hits him on the head with a book, and down he goes.)*

SONG END.

AGNES.

Oh my! Oh no! What have I done?

(ROBERTA drags Agnes out of earshot.)

26. "UNDERScore: NO MORE MISTER NICE GIRL"

AGNES (CONT'D).

(To Roberta)

What have I doomed myself to? I can be arrested. But I *can't* be arrested! Look at me, I'm a sixty-two year old woman!

ROBERTA.

Get a hold of yourself!

(Fanning Agnes)

I swear to God, you *will not* foil this plan!

AGNES.

This was the master plan?!

(GINGER pulls Michael's face up by the hair, still unaware of who it is.)

GINGER.

Tell me, where is it?! Where is that manuscript!

MICHAEL.

It's on the table! Take it, just take it. Take it all!

(GINGER releases Michael and walks to a table.)

AGNES.

'Berta, I can't serve hard time! I can't even chew hard food!

ROBERTA.

(Covering Agnes's mouth)

Shh! Quiet, you idiot...

GINGER.

What's this?

(Picking up the manuscript)

A Ph.D. dissertation written by *Michael M. Michaelson*?

ROBERTA & AGNES.

(Hushed.)

The jig is up!

AGNES.

You chose the *mailman's* address?!

ROBERTA.

Trust in the *master plan*, Agnes!

MICHAEL.

(To Ginger)

Ginger? Ginger, it's me! Michael!

AGNES.

(Hushed.)

'Berta! What do we do, now?

ROBERTA.

A captain always goes down with her ship!

(ROBERTA grabs a book, winds up for the hit, and BLACKOUT on spot.)

MUSIC END.

GINGER.

What?! *You* stole The Dewey Bible? You? All the signs are there! You're charming! You're convincing!

(Beat. THEN:)

And you work with a charitable organization! You wouldn't have. You couldn't have!...but the *evidence*!

MICHAEL.

Wait...someone stole The BIBBLE?! It wasn't me! Don't you believe me, Ginger?

GINGER.

And a criminal *will* play on your heart strings!

(GINGER throws the Huntington Library Dewey Bookmark at him.

Sarcastically:)

Oh, You're a real B.S. Platinum Member, aren't you?

(GINGER gags Michael.)

AGNES. (O.S.)

GINNNNGGEEERRRRRR!!!!!!

BLACKOUT.