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Les Misérables

— The Fall of Fantine —

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WHY DOESN'T YOUR HUSBAND SUPPORT YOU? WE DO NOT HIRE WOMEN LIKE YOU! GO AWAY!

FRANCE, 1820.
FANTINE IS ONE OF THESE UNFORTUNATE SOULS. ABANDONED BY HER LOVER, SHE SEEKS WORK TO SUPPORT HERSELF AND HER YOUNG DAUGHTER, **COSETTE**.

I CAN'T HAVE AN UNWED MOTHER WORKING AT MY SHOP!

UNABLE TO FIND HONEST WORK IN HER VILLAGE BECAUSE OF HER ILLEGITIMATE CHILD, FANTINE IS FORCED TO LEAVE.



MY DARLING
COSETTE...



THE THÉNARDIERS
ARE NOW YOUR AUNT
AND UNCLE. DO AS THEY
SAY, AND BE GOOD,
MY DEAR.



I BEG YOU! PLEASE DON'T FIRE ME!



YOU LIED TO US ABOUT YOUR ILLEGITIMATE DAUGHTER!

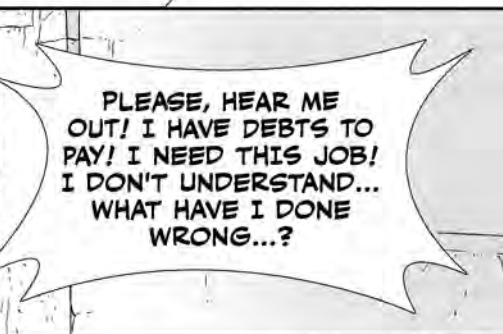
HERE, THE MAYOR IS GIVING YOU FIFTY FRANCS. LEAVE THE NEIGHBORHOOD!



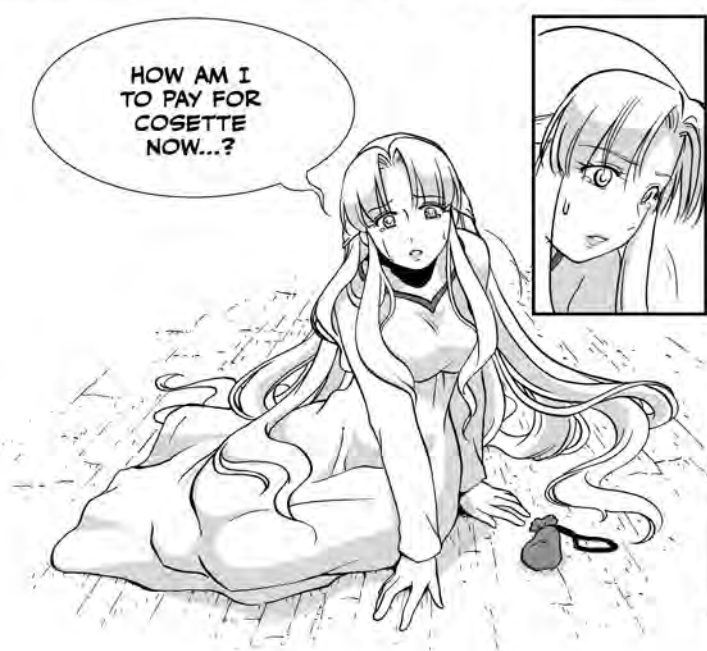
I'VE BEEN WORKING HERE FOR A YEAR NOW! YOU'VE NEVER HAD ANY COMPLAINTS!



GOOD THING I FOUND OUT ABOUT HER DAUGHTER FROM THE INNKEEPER IN MONTFERMIEL. THE MAYOR WOULD NEVER LET SUCH AN IMMORAL WOMAN KEEP WORKING HERE!



PLEASE, HEAR ME OUT! I HAVE DEBTS TO PAY! I NEED THIS JOB! I DON'T UNDERSTAND... WHAT HAVE I DONE WRONG...?



HOW AM I TO PAY FOR COSETTE NOW...?



NO MORE ARGUMENTS! YOU ARE DISMISSED!



WHAT SPLENDID HAIR YOU HAVE! ARE YOU SURE YOU WISH TO CUT IT OFF?

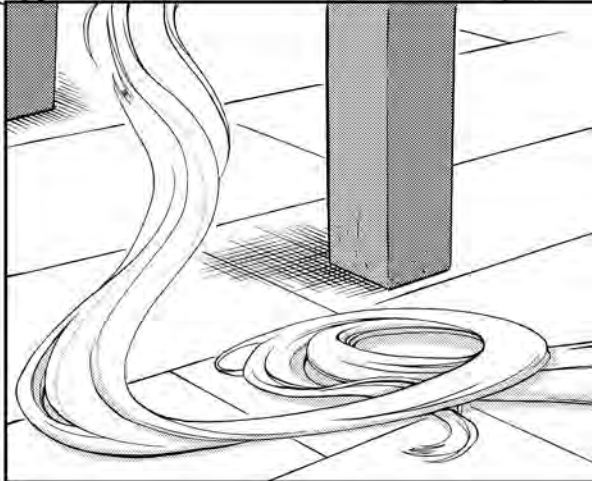
HOW MUCH ARE YOU GOING TO GIVE ME FOR IT?



ALRIGHT, CUT IT ALL!

SNIP!

TEN FRANCS. IT WILL MAKE A FINE WIG!





AND THEY NEED FORTY FRANCS FOR HER MEDICINE!?

COSETTE IS ILL WITH A DISEASE CALLED A MILITARY FEVER!



THERE IS NO WAY I COULD EARN SO MUCH MONEY, BUT THEY SAY SHE WILL DIE WITHOUT IT...



...ME?

COME NOW, LOVELY LADY IN THE HOOD! WON'T YOU SMILE FOR ME?



SO YOU ARE THE ONE WHO FIRED ME FROM MY JOB?



STOP THIS AT ONCE!

HA! WERE IT NOT FOR YOU, I WOULD NOT BE THE WOMAN I AM TODAY!



EXCUSE ME, MAYOR MADELEINE...



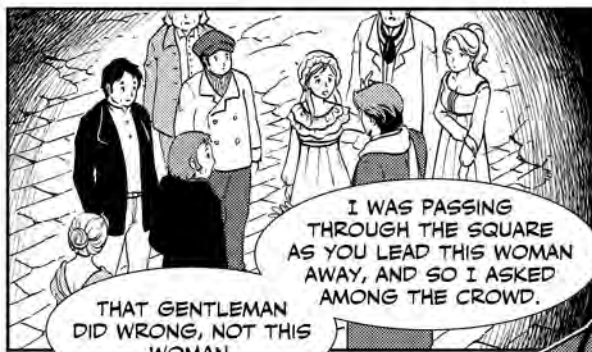
PTTU!



THIS MISERABLE
WOMAN HAS INSULTED
A CITIZEN.



MAYOR MADELEINE,
THAT CANNOT BE!



I WAS PASSING
THROUGH THE SQUARE
AS YOU LEAD THIS WOMAN
AWAY, AND SO I ASKED
AMONG THE CROWD.

THAT GENTLEMAN
DID WRONG, NOT THIS
WOMAN.



ACCORDING TO
THE LAW, I AM THE JUDGE
IN BOTH OF THESE CASES.
I ORDER THE WOMAN
RELEASED.



SHE HAS JUST
INSULTED THE MAYOR
AS WELL.

