

Professor Marvel #1

Act One — Scene 4

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~~DOROTHY. Oh.~~

PROFESSOR. Someone has hurt her. Someone has just about broken her heart.

DOROTHY. Why would anyone do that?

PROFESSOR. I don't know but it's ... it's someone she loves very much:
someone she's been very kind to: someone she's taken care of in sickness.

DOROTHY. I had the measles once ... and she stayed right by me every minute.

PROFESSOR. Uh-huh.

DOROTHY. But that was when I was very small. She doesn't care about me at all now.
And I don't care about her.

PROFESSOR. Oh well that's ... that's not what the crystal says.

DOROTHY. They were going to kill Toto and she did nothing to stop them.

PROFESSOR. I don't see any of that in the crystal. All I see is a woman
who does the best she can and misses you something terrible.

DOROTHY. What's she doing now?

PROFESSOR. Yes, she's ... what's this? Why, she's ... she's putting her hand on her heart!
She's.... she's dropping down on the bed!

DOROTHY. Oh, you ... you don't suppose she could really be sick, do you?
(DOROTHY stands) Oh! Oh, I've got to go home right away!

The stage begins to darken. The sound of the wind rises.

PROFESSOR MARVEL removes his turban.

PROFESSOR. But, what's this? I thought you were going along with me!

DOROTHY. Oh no! No, I have to get to her right away. Come on, Toto! Come on,
come on! (Snatches up her basket) Goodbye, Professor Marvel, and thanks a lot!

PROFESSOR. Goodbye! Safe Journey! (Looks about and then turns up his jacket lapels shivering)
Better get the horse under cover. There's a storm blowin' ... a whopper.
(Stamps out the remains of his little fire and then looks up after the departing DOROTHY)
Poor little kid. I hope she gets home all right.

~~No. 8~~

~~The Cyclone~~

~~Scene 102~~

~~(Orchestra)~~

~~The stage starts to revolve.~~

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