



MUSIC #5: Short Fanfare

(ALL react excitedly. DOTTY, JACK and SIMON move DSR as HUMPHREY enters DSR.)

HUMPHREY: Make way, make way for his Majesty King Crumble the Umpteenth and Queen Apricot. *(Moving DSC:)* They wish to address the villagers about the Giant and introduce their daughter, Princess Charlotte, now she has come of age and can assume her Royal duties. So pray receive your King and Queen.



MUSIC #5A: Extended Fanfare

(The CHORUS re-group as the KING and QUEEN enter DSR and HUMPHREY bows.)

KING: *(Moving DSC to Humphrey)* Thank you, Humphrey. You may retire.

HUMPHREY: Oh thanks, your Majesty. I was going to wait until I was sixty-five, but ...

KING: Oh, don't be such a twit, Humphrey! Now run along, there's a good chap. *(Addressing the audience/Villagers:)* My loyal objects ...

QUEEN: *(Interrupting)* You mean loyal subjects.

KING: If you say so, dear! ... Loyal subjects of Old Windy Bottom, we have come to speak to you about that dreadful Giant, Buster Gut-Bucket and his kingdom in the sky.

QUEEN: We believe it's no coincidence that people from the village have started disappearing and now is the time that something must be done.

KING: So, I've decided to offer a reward. *(Formally:)* Whosoever can rid this land of the Giant, once and for all, may choose anything they wish from the Royal household.

(ALL react in surprise and excitement.)

QUEEN: But right now, it's our happy duty to introduce our dearest daughter, Princess Charlotte.

(The PRINCESS enters DSR and moves DSC as ALL cheer.)

PRINCESS: Why, thank you everyone – I am most honoured. And all I really want to say is ... well, please, somebody find a way to put an end to this horrible Giant!

KING: Hear, hear! Well said, my dear.

HUMPHREY: Before returning to the Palace, the Royal party would like to meet some of their subjects.

(The 3 ROYALS move US and start to mingle with some of the CHORUS as DOTTY, JACK and SIMON move back to DSC and HUMPHREY moves DSR, where he stays in attendance.)