The Reckoning

Music & Lyrics by Steven W Rodgers

Camille

IT'S TRUE, DECEIT FOR WOMEN SOMETIMES
HOLDS A KIND OF MYSTICAL ALLURE
BUT HAVE YOU REFLECTED ON THE JUDGMENT
THAT ALL WOMEN MUST ENDURE?

Antoine

I DON'T UNDERSTAND A THING,
I JUST KNOW I LOVE YOU.

Camille

YOU LOVE ME?

Antoine

I'VE NEVER BEEN MORE SINCERE
IN ALL MY LIFE, BELIEVE ME
YOU KNOW I'D NEVER LIE!

Camille

YET I KNOW SOMEONE WHO
MAY DISAGREE WITH YOU
ONE YOU HAVE MADE A PROMISE TO

(Rosette comes out from behind the curtain)

Antoine *(spoken)*

Rosette!

Rosette *(spoken)*

You…never lie, my lord?

(Rosette runs off)

Antoine

WHAT HAVE I DONE?
CAMILLE, WILL YOU FORGIVE ME?

Camille

I AM NOT THE ONE
WHOM YOU SHOULD SEEK FORGIVENESS OF

Camille *(cont'd)*

YOU OWE ME NOTHING
BUT ROSETTE DESERVES THE TRUTH
YOU NEVER LOVED HER…
AND I DON'T LOVE YOU.

AS GOD IS MY WITNESS
I WOULD NEVER HAVE ACTED AS YOU HAVE DONE.
I DID NOT GIVE HER MY GOLD CHAIN
AND SAY I WOULD MARRY HER
ALTHOUGH I LOVED SOMEONE ELSE

I DID NOT PROMISE WHAT I COULD NOT GIVE HER
AND I'D NEVER SPEAK TO ANOTHER AS YOU SPOKE TO HER

Antoine	**Camille**
IT'S TRUE	I KNOW YOU LOVE ME
I LOVE YOU	I ALWAYS HAVE KNOWN IT
PRIDE HAS MADE A FOOL OF ME	BUT LOVE'S NOT ENOUGH NOW
DON'T JUDGE MY HEART	CONSIDERING ALL YOU'VE DONE
BY ONE ACT	PRIDE MAKES US CRUEL
	LOVE MAKES US BLIND
OF CRUELTY	WE CAN HURT THOSE WE CHERISH
	AND LEAVE ALL THE TRUTH BEHIND
	I'D WRITTEN THAT I HAD INSPIRED
YOU'VE ALWAYS INSPIRED ME	SOME LOVE IN YOU
	I WAS FLATTERED BY IT
	IT MAY HAVE BEEN VANITY
	STILL, I ENJOYED THE THOUGHT
I DON'T DENY IT	I DON'T DENY IT
I THOUGHT YOU LOVED ME	BUT THOUGH YOU LOVE ME…
I WILL MARRY HER	YOU WILL MARRY HER

Antoine

YES, I WILL MARRY ROSETTE

Camille

AND YOU'LL DO WELL

Antoine

YES, QUITE WELL, AND FAR BETTER OFF
THAN IF I HAD MARRIED YOU.