

DEVILED EGGS (MOTHER-GOOSE STORY CHAPTER TWO)

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Humpt-Dumpty's father was once a proud Guardian of the Egg People Kingdom, but his tragic demise which we all know the story of, left his son bitter at the kingdom, and the wall surrounding it.

EXT. THE TALL RED BRICK WALL - DAY

At GROUND LEVEL,

HUMPTY-DUMPTY is in a beach chair, enjoying a book.

WE SEE THE BLUE SKY AND FLUFFY, SMILING CLOUDS ABOVE AS HE TAKES A PEACEFUL BREATH OF FRESH AIR AS HE READS.

THEN WE FAST PAN UP TO THE TOP OF THE WALL WHERE WE SEE TWO YOUNG EGG BOYS RUNNING BY, CHASING EACH OTHER PLAYING TAG.

AT GROUND LEVEL we see Humpty startled as he hears them and debris from the top of the wall falls down onto his head.

He takes off his sun hat and peers up at

THE TOP OF THE WALL, the kids are still playing. One almost stumbles and falls off but catches his footing and keeps running with his friend.

Then back at GROUND LEVEL, Humpty is looking up at them angrily, gritting his teeth, clenching his fist, and scowling.

He tries to return to his book in peace, but an EGG CARTON ON WHEELS PULLS UP AND HONKS A HORN.

Humpty looks up at the driver and then we see

At THE TOP OF THE WALL the kids stop playing at the SOUND OF THE HORN. They look to each other and nod with smiles, then,

THEY LEAP OFF THE WALL TOGETHER AND,

TUMBLE ROLL ON THE GROUND ALL THE WAY TO THE CARTON TRUCK.

An AVUNCULAR EGG man steps out of the truck and hugs the kids.

AVUNCULAR EGG You guys have fun today?

YOUNG EGG BOYS
Yeah! We love playing on the big
red wall!

AVUNCULAR EGG

Hahaha so did I when I was young. Say, maybe next weekend I'll take a lap up there with you kids huh? Whaddaya say?

The kids both cheer.

Then we see Humpty seething in his chair. He sets his book and hat down and gets up and struts over to the other eggs, fists clenched, huffing and puffing.

HUMPTY

Ya'know, you really should all be more careful playing around on that wall!

AVUNCULAR EGG

(rolls eyes)

Oh boy, here he comes kids.

The kids both roll their eyes and hustle into the truck.

AVUNCULAR EGG (CONT'D)

Hi, Humpty! How's it goin'?

HUMPTY

I'm fine, because I'm in one piece!

The avuncular egg rolls its eyes again and Humpty continues,

HUMPTY (CONT'D)

You are all careless! You --

AVUNCULAR EGG

Humpty, look, I know what you been through, I do, but --

HUMPTY

You don't! But when one of those children slip up ...

Humpty turns and starts away still huffing and scowling at the other eggs,

HUMPTY (CONT'D)

... then you will!

The avuncular egg shakes his head and sighs.

AVUNCULAR EGG

Come on kids.

And gets in the truck.

As they drive away we see Humpty scowling at them from the corner of his eyes as he sits back in his chair picking his book back up.

DISSOLVE TO:

EXT. EGG VILLAGE - EVENING

Humpty is walking home. The village is made of cute little green rolling hills and red brick roads connecting adorable little egg people cottages, shaped like eggs of course, with birds' nest straw sprucing their foundations like hedge bushes.

We see other egg people pointing and laughing at him.

TAUNTING CHILD EGG You're afraid a heights, you're afraid a heights!

Humpty looks bitter and we hear his monologue as he continues through town with background taunting going on while,

HUMPTY {V.O.}

I wasn't always the bitter old laughing stock you see before you. My family in fact was once held in high regard with the king, you see, in my kingdom we live protected by that surrounding giant red wall you saw before, and protecting it standing on top of it is something that's considered the most honorable thing one can do, so much in fact that even the children are encouraged to train for the job by playing on top of it! They even have sports games and picnics up there!

A CHILD EGG IN A BASEBALL CAP throws a tomato at Humpty. It hits him and he scowls and shakes his fist at the kid as the kid runs away laughing.

Tomato juice runs down Humpty's side now. He sighs and continues walking.

HUMPTY {V.O.} (CONT'D)

It was my father's job, and not only that, but he was the captain of the entire brigade!

HUMPTY {V.O.} (CONT'D)
Our family was the most respected in the kingdom, nothing like you see now. Until one day,

DISSOLVE TO:

EXT. THE TALL RED BRICK WALL - DAY

In grainy black and white, we see a young, heroic, mustached version of Humpty lose his footing and fall off the wall,

he tumbles all the way to the ground and,

SPLAT, then we

DISSOLVE TO:

EXT. EGG VILLAGE - EVENING

Humpty is still walking and we hear.

HUMPTY {V.O.}
I lost my dad that day. And my
family ... my family lost its
status as high ranking wall
guardsmen. I lost my future, gained
a crippling fear of heights, and
grew into the bitter, worry-wort of
an old man I am today. I was so
young I ... I just missed my dad ya
know?

HUMPTY {V.O.} (CONT'D)
To this day I'm still not even sure what we're even guarding against up on that wall, it seems like a big dangerous waste to me, it always has, because it took not just my dad from me, but everything.

HUMPTY

(looking up at the sky) I hate this kingdom.

SUDDENLY FROM THAT SAME SHOT OUT OF THE SKY A HUGE HUMAN HAND REACHES DOWN FOR HUMPTY

He screams and runs,

He tumbles then rolls down a hill,

Then the hand scoops him up and lifts him off into the sky.

We see onlooking egg people in shocked horror gasping.

CUT TO:

INT. A HUMAN WOMAN'S KITCHEN - DAY

We watch a HOUSE WIFE holding an egg walk away from a red egg container.

She goes to the counter and puts the egg in a pot of boiling water that has some other eggs in it.

Then we see her go the the sink and start WASHING SOME DISHES.

NEXT WE SEE A SHOT OF HER FRIDGE,

THEN ONE OF A WINDOW IN THE KITCHEN WHERE OUTSIDE WE SEE MORE NORMAL HUMANS, CHILDREN PLAYING, NEIGHBORS WATERING LAWNS AND CHECKING THEIR MAIL.

Then we hear a PHONE RING.

The HOUSE WIFE drys her hands and goes and answers it.

HOUSE WIFE

Hey! Yep, I'm getting the food ready for the game now ... mhm ... of course ... oh my god I know ... mhm all gluten free don't worry ... of course! Everything's almost ready ... mhm ...

HOUSE WIFE (CONT'D)
(creepy close up and
creepy tone)
... I'm just finishing up the
DEVILED EGGS.

HARD CUT TO:

EXT. EGG VILLAGE - NIGHT

The village is peaceful and quite. We hear crickets.

Gentle moonlight cascades over the rolling hills.

Through little egg peoples' house windows we see little egg people nestled snug in their beds.

CUT TO:

EXT. THE TALL RED BRICK WALL - NIGHT

Also peaceful,

But then,

DEVIL HUMPTY DUMPTY BUSTS THROUGH THE WALL.

BRICKS FLY IN EVERY DIRECTION AND HARDCORE HEAVY METAL MUSIC PLAYS ON SCREEN AS WE WATCH DEVIL HUMPTY SEETHE! HE HAS MASSIVE ARMS AND MUSCLES, DEVIL HORNS AND GARGOYLE WINGS!

THEN DEVIL HUMPTY ROARS.

WE SEE HIM FACING THE VILLAGE ROARING WITH HIS ARMS RAISED.

THEN HE FLIES AWAY TOWARD THE VILLAGE IN THE DISTANCE.

CUT TO:

EXT. EGG VILLAGE - NIGHT

The village is peaceful and quite.

But then,

DEVIL HUMPTY LANDS IN THE ROAD, HE STANDS AND ROARS AND THE HEAVY METAL MUSIC COMES WITH HIM!

Villagers come out of their homes and others look out their windows terrified.

Devil Humpty roars and then stomps down the road, cracking the bricks beneath his feet.

VILLAGE SOLDIER EGGS with spears come running at Devil Humpty and,

He swings his massive arm and a gust of wind from it sends them all rolling back the way they had come!

DEVIL HUMPTY laughs as they all roll away!

Then he makes a fist and

SMASHES a hole into an adjacent house!

He pulls his fist out and smiles at it wickedly as bits of stone crumble off of it from the building.

VILLAGERS have begun running out of their homes in fear and screaming.

The helpless little egg people run around in frantic circles screaming and waving their arms around.

Devil Humpty laughs wickedly.

Devil Humpty charges down the street as he continues to laugh wickedly.

HE STRETCHES OUT HIS ARMS AND SPINS HIMSELF LIKE A TOP, SPINNING AROUND AND AROUND RAPIDLY AND MOWING DOWN HELPLESS MASSES OF TERRIFIED VILLAGERS!

We see Devil Humpty's grinning and laughing face amidst his own whirlwind,

then he stops spinning and launches himself to the top of a roof!

The villagers continue to run around terrified as Devil Humpty stands atop the roof and roars with his wings spread and his arms raised. We see the big bright moon behind him.

Thunder claps and lightening flashes and it starts to rain.

Devil Humpty is grinning down at the terrified villagers.

A YOUNG EGG looks up at him, tears in his huge puppy dog eyes as he hugs his TEDDY EGG BEAR close.

A YOUNG EGG Why Mister Dumpty? Why?

DEVIL HUMPTY DUMPTY laughs a wicked laugh, and then hops down off the roof and,

He lands right over top of the child, hulking over him,

DEVIL HUMPTY DUMPTY

Because ...

THEN HE LEANS DOWN AND SCOOPS THE SMALL EGG CHILD UP IN HIS MASSIVE HAND AND GRINS IN THE CHILD'S FACE AND,

DEVIL HUMPTY DUMPTY (CONT'D)
... I'm a deviled egg!

DEVIL HUMPTY laughs demonically and