## #22a = A Bit of a Bind (Underscore)

# MAGISTRATE AND INSPECTOR AUDITION SIDES

## MAGISTRATE

Inspector, you are not going to believe who's come to see me! And quite in the nick of time!

## INSPECTOR

I was about to tell you the same thing!

## MAGISTRATE

INSPECTOR

It seems Mrs. Holland did it!

It seems Mrs. Navarro did it!

(THEY are both confused.)

### **MAGISTRATE**

INSPECTOR

Mrs. Navarro?!

Mrs. Holland?!

#### MAGISTRATE & INSPECTOR

(In unison:)

I've got evidence!

(A beat, then simultaneously:)

It's quite convincing!

INSPECTOR

Well, they can't both have done it!

(THEY exchange letters.)

MAGISTRATE

(Reading:)

"Dear Monty... "

INSPECTOR

(Reading:)

"Monty darling..."

MAGISTRATE

"It was I who poisoned the Earl."

## INSPECTOR

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"It was time you took your rightful place."

## MAGISTRATE

This is astonishing!

## INSPECTOR

She says she intercepted the letter...

## MAGISTRATE

... before it was to be handed to Lord Navarro.

## INSPECTOR

We can't arrest one woman, if we believe the other one guilty.

#### **MAGISTRATE**

The law won't allow it.

#### INSPECTOR

No jury would convict.

#### INSPECTOR & MAGISTRATE

(In unison:)

Reasonable doubt.

#### MAGISTRATE

Seems we're in a bit of a bind.

(THEY each go into the other's interrogation room.)