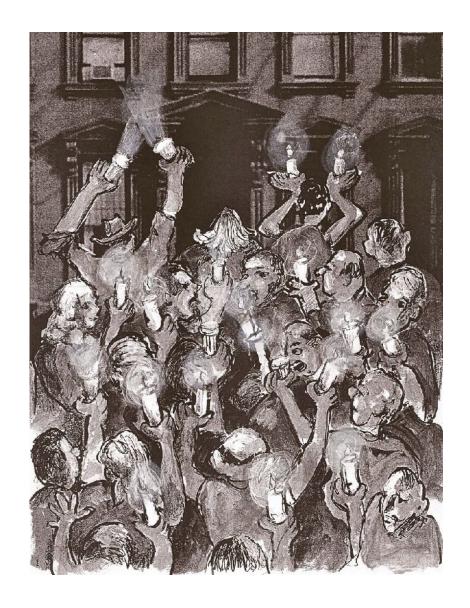
# PART 1 MR FC

You up there
In the multi media booth,
Time to face the truth.
Time to raise the stakes.
Outdo your Prologue job,
And bring on the multi media
Fakaktaville frightened mob.



### Ah! Yes!

Hundreds of acres
Where thousands
Stand and kneel
And sit—
With thousands
Of dripping candles
And flashlights,
And lights from devices,
Like each
Fab Phone,
Brazenly
Lit.

And
Thousands all
Band 'round the
Three story brownstone
Where Solly Seer —
—With the recent
Albino blind eyes—
And whose nickname is
Lord Run-On—
And his daughter,
Sally—
From the door
On the top of the
15-step stoop,

Are about to Come on, And face, This Disparate, Desparate, Fakaktaville Massive Group.

Keep your fears aliveYou Fakaktaville old—
You Fakaktaville youth—
As our Solly comes out
And takes
His dive into
Dark
Truth.

Attend,
Commit,
Be totally alert,
Don't tune out,
Or
Fall into a trance.
Solly Seer now makes his
Run-on startling entrance—
Without arrogance—
With a bounce

And a tear—
Before this
Night of fear
—A fear
That spreads and smolders—

Yes!
Solly —
Better to address
Miles and miles
Of the mob—
Makes his
Startling entrance,
On
Daughter
Sally's
SHOULDERS!

### SOLLY

The overall theme is beating the clock — and it's all about hate and it's all about shock —and — perhaps 'bout my dying —and no — I'm not lying — and though I seem strong — you're wrong — just living on a surplus energy-induced boost — And for the moment — I'm back boosting my Lord Run On persona's non stop's chops — 'cause I rarely take a pause — and I've little use for the fluctuation of most punctuation — BUT for dashes — 'cause I always loved to dash through my dashes — And still —at the

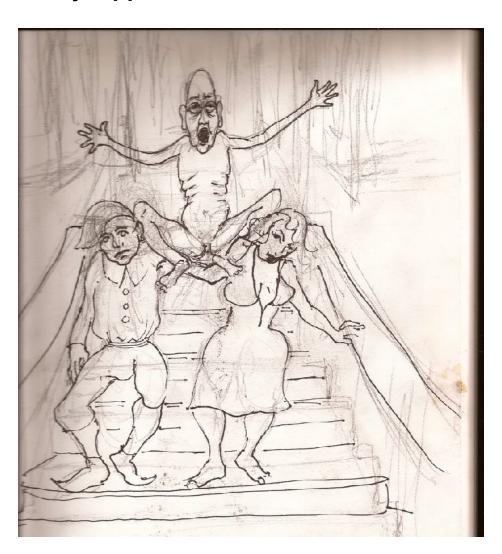
moment —have some of the energy of some of my dashes — because — (oh my frightened flock) — BECAUSE you and I have got to beat the clock —But first things first — blow out your candles and click off your flashlights — all your devices — Override your fright and preserve what's left of our precious light — Without a shadow of a doubt depend on my two hundred thousand altar sized fat week-long long-burning candles before they burn out — and why I may die - AND - I call on Thelonious P. Bascomb to get up here and help his dear friend Sally steady me and ready me— while I fill you all in from on high — you —my frightened flock — as we race to beat the clock — and please make haste, Thelo—yes YOU — get up here — don't waste time — because though she's tough and trying hard —my darling Sally's tiring hard — can't hold me up long —and there's little time —and hardly *time* —even — for what's deep in every Fakaktavillian's bones — RHYME or not — cause we've got to face the fact that we've had a world changing shock now — and we've got to beat the clock now—

## **THELO**

I'm here. I'm here to Help Sally now.

### SOLLY

Right, good —that's good —Thelo's here — He's the other pillar — balanced now— I'm steady on their shoulders — see? — the shoulders of my strong Sally and her Thelo P. — and since I— as you can see — am as skinny as a celery stalk — or a piece of chalk — and my ribs are wash board ripples — so skinny — even lost my nipples —



**THELO** 

Solly!

SALLY

Daddy!

THELO/SALLY

They're snapping Photos of us Each on their Fab Phone— Clicking away— Blinding us— While we Hold you up On this Top top stoop Of your Brownstone!

### **SOLLY**

STOP WASTING BATTERIES — taking photos of me on your Fab Phones — Get hold of your thinking hormones —Get truly smart like your smart phones — Focus on what's to be — forget your addiction to celebrity —And don't blind Sally and Thelo's eyes, I say — STOP CLICKING AWAY!

### THELO/SALLY

## They're stopped!

### SOLLY

God I get glum when you all continue to be so dumb — And yes yes — because I'm recently blind and full of sighs with my now albino eyes — my sharp hearing hears your mumbling, grumbling, stumbling, — and I know that you snobs in the different groups and mobs out there are shocked at my calling Thelo up — This silly pup — right? — This boob — right? — This boob — lacking the lube of smarts in his brain cube — Right? —But when I tell you — you who want to form against him a cabal — that the P in this lad's name stands for Parsifal — the pure fool hero of legend — a fact that few ever imagined — or even Thelo ever knew —

## **THELO**

That's true.
I always thought that
The P
Stood for
Punk.
That's what my
So-called mocking friend—
Often
Drunk—

Who slept in the Top bunk Above me—Called me!

### SOLLY

Then know — therefore —that we may have a pure fool hero in the making here — who — perhaps can save us here — But more about that later — because it is racing — that old tick tock —and you and I have got to beat the clock — and this exposition has got to be fast — because my week-long two hundred thousand slow burning candles wont last beyond the week — and that clock hand is so so so damned fast as it rotates and notates that doomsday is near — I sense it — I sense that it's stark — So mark the truth as we face and deal with your blasted dark— yes blasted for *you* because — mind —I've lived in the dark for a year now —when I was suddenly stricken blind — the day my great uncle — the evil Lord Grimpen Mire — and I'm sure that I'm right now — that he's — Lord Grimpen Mire — he's the cause of our dark plight now— Because —one year ago — for the first time in years — he contacts his blood kin —the Solly of the Solly Seers — calls me on our Fab phone's Face-to-face App —and sets his trap—

### MR. FC

And we Flash back To that Face to face app time, When the crippled, **Lord Grimpen Mire—** Also known as Richard third— Demanding to be heard— Put the fear to his Great nephew, Solly Seer, In that Fab Phone **Face to Face** Word of fear— And with Mire's soul In some kind of A jail-like cage— And with an Inconsolable rage— Set in motion A thru-line way To this Dark, dark, Day. And **Lord Grimpen Mire's** Last year's Image,

We now install, Appearing at least Ten feet tall.

# LORD GRIMPEN MIRE TALKING MAGE

Look!
Look
In this flash back
At my crippled back
And
Body-not-so-jolly,
Great nephew,
Solly.



That I had this

Alright—
I confess—
God
Made me a mess—
From the time
I was born,
And torn
From my
Mother.

And I did not think it odd, 'Because I always thought I had the right to show thereforeQuid-pro-quo
To deal
With God:
Believing
He'd continue to
Let me get even—
As long as I can—
On my
Disgusting,
Hated—
Fellow
Man

With theirHot toddiesOf put-togetherBodies

And in the process
I made God
Seem even tougher—
By being part of the fun
He seemed to have,
By making
People suffer.

Like—
When God chose
The Mizbee Frisbee Franchise

To beat at play the **County Cranchize Franchise** That started a Run-of-the-mill Riot?— That I had thought Too quiet?— So I sent in goons Who started Muscling and Goon-ing around, **Until the Franchise** Game became Δ Fakaktavillian's Killing, Slaughter, Ground.

And what about when God created that Richter-scale ten Of a massive earthquake At Queasy Quark Lake? Yes, Fakaktavillians were dumped into the Earth's open crater—But it was I Who put the

Finishing touch on that,
By —
Later—
Stepping on the hands of
Those hanging on
The ledge
Of the crater's edge,
And fed them down to the
Prehistoric
Crater Gator.

Oh,
I could go on spinning tales
Of
My hand
In the hand
Of polishing
Each gem
Of God's
Delightful
Mayhem.

And I thought
That by playing,
And being,
A major part
Of HIS game,
That one day
(And without a doubt),

God would reward me By having my Soul and body Straighten out.

But No. It just got worse! It just *gets* worse! The curse **Continues** And I think God May have changed His mayhem game code And has turned to you— **Moving into** Solly do-gooder Mode-Maybe gave you Your place in the sun— To maybe have some Mayhem fun.

You'd better hope
That's what you've won.
'Cause with what power's
Left in me,
I'm turning to you
To see

What *you* can do For me.

You had better hope
It was not my folly
To give you one year
To urge you on
To find a way
To find the answer
—Or nix it —
—A year—
Hear?
To talk to
—Now—
Your God—
For my broken body—
To fix it.—
Do you hear?

You better pray You do— Hear.

If you do not
And a year
From now
The deadline is gone—
And you missed it—
And I'm still all twisted—

With a hump that grows, And with gnarled up toes, And a nose that spreads—

And —

If —

In that year,
I'm still not able

To pass
A well-formed

Turd—

And they still call me

Richard 3rd—

With a baby-making organ
That was once my standing joy,
But is slow to rise now—
(And I admit that now,
in public,
My Solly boy)—
And as a result,
I am livid to say,
Even keeps my concubine,
Ariadne,
And
Her gorgeous ass,
Away—
So, of course,

I'm forced to force myself on her

—As I was forced to force myself
On my "good" wife—
When she finally
Found too repugnant,
My twisted body
And
Twisted
Life.
And if—

**THELO** 

Wait!
Stop!
Freeze frame
That stinking
Flashback!
I'm having an
Anxiety
And
A migraine
Aura
Attack!

MR. FC

And the sky lights up
With the aura lightning
Thelo sees—
Through flashes

That lighten the sky—
That Thelo Parsifal Bascomb
Now sees
And makes him start to sway!
And his knees begin to droop!
And Thelo steps away
And topples Solly
Onto his
Brownstone
Stoop!

**THELO** 

My Ariadne!
My Ariadne?
This evil fellow
Forces himself
Into my darling
Ariadne Culo Bello?
!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

MR. FC

And daughter Sally—
Frightened,
Half insane now—
With the dread of
Thinking Solly's
Fallen and dead now—
Crying and
Going

Half *Mad*—In a pietà,
Cradles on the stoop,
Her Fallen
Dad.

And the crowd—
Too impotent to rail—
Starts to quail
At the
Fright of the sight
On the Brownstone stoop—
And
The spread-out
Thousands
Begin to
Waaaaaaiiiiiil.

Sustained—
The choral wail
Rolls like
Low rolling thunder—
And is
held
under:

CROWD
WAAAAILLLLLLL WAAAAILLLLLLL.

### Mr. PC

And Thelo's
Aura lightning
Quickly goes,
And his knees
Go all droop,
And he falls
And joins
Sally and Solly's
Pietà
On the floor
Of the floor of
Solly Seer's
Brownstone
Stoop.

## **THELO**

Oh Golly, Solly, Forgive me, I'm sorry!

MR. FC

And Lord Grimpen Mire's Flashback de-freezes—
Resumes—
And Mire

### Fumes.

### **LORD GRIMPEN MIRE**

And if,
In a year,
These are not corrected—
Well —
Something super
Dire
Will punish you—
And when it comes
You will know it came
From your great uncle,
Lord
Grimpen
Mire.

## Because-

When the *great upheaval* came And you and I lost power—
Some power remained
For you and me
And I urge you to use yours
To see and fix
In the mix
What's wrong with me—
Or I will use mine
On you If you do not.

And to show you
I can still mean business—
I'm bookmarking this page
Of my monumental rage—
—Will now brutalize
Your eyes
With a temporary
year long act—
By stretching
Across them
A temporary
White
Albino
Cataract

### SOLLY

### Ahhhhhhhhhhhhhhh!

## **LORD GRIMPEN MIRE**

So accept my cheer,
Solly—
My now
For a year
Blind nephew dear!
Smell your way
To a solution
For me,
I say,
Before

The Year Flys

Away.

### **MR FC**

And we pause,
And
Freeze Frame
The twisted face
Of Mire's
Past
Face—
For
A
Short speech
Interlude
From Solly
To
intrude.

### SOLLY

The man's a one-man lunatic band — Thelo, Sally — Help me stand —There—Good — Grimpen — Grimpen — you're deranged —How could I arrange anything with my blind albino eyes in this one year's time?— With these blind albino eyes you laid on me?— Anyway — my hands were full — dealing with the growing spate of hate that suddenly was

the swill that was my fate to confront in Fakaktaville this year. — "Smell my way?" — The only smell I smelled this late was the smell of hate and had to deal with— and jeepers creepers — but it was hard to be wise without eyes —without peepers— and —

### MR. FC

And from reversing gears,
And into this present tense,
Lord Grimpen Mire—
Still
An immense
Ten feet tall
Lump of a man—
Again
De-freezes—
And,
All animated,
Appears,
Erupts,
And
Interrupts.

## LORD GRIMPEN MIRE

It was my folly, Solly, To give you this year, Because Now, There's something Immense In the present tense That's eating On my insides, Too, Solly dear—

Chomp chomp— **Hear it?** Stomping on my insides— Hear it! Stomp stomp. Hear it? Making my Concubine prisoner, Ariadne. Happy. Romp Romp. Schlomp Schlomp. But prisoner she stays. Even after I die-She stays. That's what it's all about now: Ariadne stays prisoner now— No how, No way, To get out. **Hear it?** 

Hear her. . .

# ARIADNE'S AMPLIFIED VOICE

Please, Please, Please help Ariadne. . .

**THELO** 

Is that her?
Is that Ariadne?

SALLY

Yes, yes, I once heard her voice. . .

ARIADNE'S AMPLIFIED VOICE

Please, Please, Please help Ariadne. . .

**SALLY** 

Pitiful.
Can't help
But pity her.

### LORD GRIMPEN MIRE

That's it.
From her pit,
That has little air,
Just one more thing
I'll let
Ariadne say.

# ARIADNE'S AMPLIFIED VOICE

Please, Please,
Please help
Ariadne. . .
Before my fabled bottom
Withers away.

**THELO** 

No! No!

### LORD GRIMPEN MIRE

Yes, yes!.
And,
In that hideaway pit,
That has little air,
That's it.
In a week there will be

No air There.

#### **THELO**

No! No!

### LORD GRIMPEN MIRE

Sorry,
Solly mate,
It's all too late.
I know it.
I know it.
It's over for me.
It's over for Ariadne
And it's over for you.
From Ariadne's
Fabled bottom,
I found a way
To get you all
In the dark—
And in the dark
You all will stay.

Always believing I,
At least,
Could get even —
And out of spite,
I DID,

But.
Now.
No way to redial
Or to be in denial.
Nothing more to say:
Old Grimpen Mire
Ain't gonna stay.
But now in the dark
You all will stay,
And you'll never find the way
To turn the lights back on.

(And I thank Ariadne's Fabled Bottom For that)

Lord Grimpen Mire
May soon lose his crown!
(And if
The word "crown"
You're not buying —
Try dying!)
But in the
Dark
You all can —
You all will—

In the dark
Drown—
And I laugh
to the heavens—
If Grimpen Mire
Can come
Crashing down—
Then to all
Fakaktaville
I shout:

LET IT ALL COME DOWN!
LET IT ALL COME DOWN!
LET IT ALL COME DOWN!

Over and OUT!

## **KAKAKTAVILLIANS**

Waaaaaaiiiiiillllll! Waaaaaaaiiiiiillllll!

### **SOLLY SEER**

Listen — Listen — Stop the wail! — You're all so quick to fail—Yes—Yes — Another shock — but there's still time to beat the clock — I don't give up — My strength is back — I'm not that stupid — That silly — Soon as that crazy bastard blinded me — I sent poor No Legs

Billy and his magic cart to the Rock of Answers at Mount Prick Prack Peak — our highest peak shrouded with clouds —for some answers to seek — I knew Lord Mire was so mired in his getting-even arrogance dance — that he never thought about The Rock — Not a chance — And anyway — how could he seek the Prick Prack Park Peak? —When THE GREAT UPHEAVAL came our way— back in the day besides a crippled body — Mire was left windless with no means to climb higher than the top parapet at Castle Mire — And in his rage went off half cocked mocked —yes— did a mock on The Rock — While I for my part — was given —after having his poor legs bit off by the Crater Gator — was given No Legs Billy All of Billy's art — AND his magic cart — Go Billy — Go ahead — Tell the crowd what The Rock said.

## **NO LEGS BILLY**

Sally is the answer,

The Rock Of Answers said.

Thelo P. Bascomb

Is the answer,

The Rock of Answers said.

First test for Thelo
At the Rock
Is
That
He must pluck out

The Fakaktaville

**Thermos** 

Bat-

And

**Yield** 

The magical

**Frisbee** 

Shield -

**Unlock them** 

Both,

**Embedded** 

In

The Rock-

Then he must pluck
Them both
From
The Rock—
Release them both
From the Rock

**SOLLY** 

And then The Rock Said something cryptic.

**NO LEGS BILLY** 

"Before things Get apocalyptic, Solly Seer
Must gather
Hundreds of Thousands
of candles
In his blind year."

### SOLLY

And I have—And look —Thelo's turned white— See?— Just look at his fright as he grasps the plight in sight because of the journey he's about to start — to switch back on the light —eradicate this perpetual night — and free Ariadne—And has got to face God knows what —but he'll have my darling Sally — to help him rally his strengths and what he'll discover are his courage and his smarts—

## **THELO**

Will I? Can I?

## **SOLLY**

Yes, you will—Yes, you can — And you'll discover my Sally —who I always knew had special powers but never quite knew what they were— Now we'll find out if that power will tower above the evil she will face— and the *Rock of Answers* will set out the case — to fight the evil dark-dark Mire face— And I— No! — Blind or not — while No Legs Billy is away — I'll have plenty of help coming my way

 with lots to say — from a presence that is about to get your tongues to wag and your throats to gag—And here she is —Pina The Hag!

MR. FC

A pair of luminous eyes Light up a path And Pina hobbles in From the crowd: With a soul full of wrath— Pina hobbles in (Looking waisted and sick)— On a gnarled walking stick— And the crowd cowers back With its usual Pina fear— As Pina inches up the steps To the Albino-Eyed Blind Solly Seer.

PINA, THE HAG

I'm wasting away by the minute,
But grab my stick, Solly Dear.
I'm trying to stay focused
In the minute;
But,
Hells bells,
I can hardly

Stay in it — Not a second— Not one minute! And my days of predicting Are nearly through— But what minutes remain I'll devote to you Solly— Do my best To be your eyes, And keep you afloat. And while my rotten Godson, **Huck Hoot** And great nephew, **Lord Grimpen Mire** Gloat, This I can **Float** By you: Of the two— **Huck and Grimpen**— Grimpen— Though dangerous still— You may Soon count out. But don't count out Huck-Because,

Soon to make
His final fall,
He'll claw and bite.
Like a trapped rat
against the wall.

But
Have no doubt—
Have no
Second thoughts
About the slimy
Creature in the muck—
And I don't mean
The Crater Gator—
I mean
My slimy godson,
Huck!

**MR FC** 

You up there—
You up there in the
Multi media booth—
Let's see a ten Foot video
Of Huckleberry Hoot—
That uncouth,
Youth—
Look!
Giving a zinger—
Again—
His middle



Finger—
Again—
To
Thelonious—

God! He's a real pimple pus!

## Listen to what he's saying to us:

**HUCK (Image)** 

You haven't seen anything, yet:
The Crater Gator
Is now the pet
Standing guard
In Lord Grimpen Mire's
Yard.
The toddler Zags I raise
Will feed that Croc
While I separate the Toddler
Dangle Ding-A-Lings
And sautè those delicacies
For our Fakaktavillian
Oligarchy Bizilionaire Kings.

And if and when
Grimpen Mire
Might expire—
Then—
I'll join Tiny Tinny Klinny—
Perhaps set free
Ariadne's ass devine,
And make it mine—
Then spread the fires
Of my reign of fear,
And get

To replace—
In Fakaktaville—
The
place
Of
Solly
Seer.
Lots a' luck.
Your friend Huck



### **MR FC**

Superimpose
A distant image
Of Ariadne's famous
Rear

And what does that
Recurring image mean?
Does it seem
To suggest
A deeper blow
To Thelo? —

## **THELO**

Do I understand this right? For Thelo, now, Three fights:

One:

## **Save my Ariadne?**

And,
Two
(With some luck)
Defeat my now hateful
So call friend,
Huck?

And three

**SOLLY** 

(The biggest fight!)—

**THELO** 

Turn back on Every Fakaktaville light!

I can't!
I can't!
I don't think I can!

**SALLY** 

You can, my Thelo!
With me beside you,
Fighting with you—
Oh, yes,

Oh yes we can.

**THELO** 

Oh, God. . . I feel an aura Coming on!

SALLY

Yes.
See.
It's a stronger one
And lighting
Up the sky.

NO LEGS

Can you keep it Lighting up the sky?

**THELO** 

I don't know. . . I don't know. . .

**FAKAKTAVILLIANS** 

Try, Thelo Try.

## **NO LEGS WILLY**

Try,
Thelo
Try.
In a minute
We'll be flying
Through the sky.

## **THELO**

Not tough enough,
Not strong enough—
Not I.
I can't
Keep the
Aura going.
Not I—
Not I—
I'm blacking out—

## **FAKAKTAVILLIANS**

Look! Look! He'll never do! Our Parsifal's Passed out!

## **SOLLY SEER**

Wrong, wrong!
He'll be all right.
Sally,
Help me
Get Thelo To
Billy's barge. . .

### NO LEGS BILLY

Not just a barge Now-A magical cart Now. I've retrofitted it Into what I call My special healing Gurney, And We'll short cut The Longer Land Journey, And Race— Instead -Our Thelo and SallyTo the Rock
Through
The
Short Cut
Of
Starry
Space.

### **SOLLY SEER**

Then aim your magical gurney—No Legs — for the sky —and fly!— Get Thelo and Sally to the Rock — See that Thelo DOES yield from the Rock the magical Frisbee Shield and Thermos Bat of Deadly Combat —Don't be shy —sly or tend to cry as you fly — And for heaven's sake don't give up and die—One week to get it won! — One week to get the job done!— One week to get the answers from The Rock—One week for Thelo P and Sally to do WHAT?—At the Rock?

FAKAKTAVILLIANS
BEAT THE CLOCK!
BEAT THE CLOCK!

SOLLY

YEAH!

**END-PART 1**