

**LORD MARCUS ROWAN** paces furiously in the great hall before his assembled court. He points accusingly at his bride-to-be, the wealthy merchant's daughter **VERETTA WHITETHORN**.

*"Your words are lies in my ears! If I don't see you wearing my grandmother's necklace at the ball, I will have your father's fortune seized and you in chains! That Skovlan prince you betrayed me with will be put down like the dog he is. Get out of my sight!"*

Veretta gathers the folds of her gown and storms out with her head held high. Within her private chambers, she meets with you—her **MOST TRUSTED RETAINERS**. In a low voice, she reveals her plan.

*"Some days ago, I ended an affair with the Skovlan prince **LARS STORMHEART**. He begged me for a token to remember me by. I refused, but he must have taken the Rowan heirloom necklace before leaving for Skovlan! I've arranged for your transport on board a ship to retrieve it. And please warn Lars that Marcus is on a warpath!"*

### ITEMS & APPEARANCE

floppy feathered hat — brass buttons — ivory-hilted pistols — a lady's handkerchief — dueling sword  
frilly cuffs — baggy sleeves — colorful tunic — rough-spun cloak — chest-holster — polished half-plate  
sword sheath — gossamer gown — flowing silk dress — formal vest — buckled shoes — laced corset

### WORLDBUILDING QUESTIONS

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| <p><b>1</b> How did you end up in Lady Whitethorn's services?</p> | <p><b>2</b> Describe a time a party member saved your life</p> | <p><b>3</b> What is an item or article of clothing you're proud of?</p> |
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### SCENES & COMPLICATIONS

*During the voyage to Skovlan aboard the **DAWN REAPER**, the captain loses his mind.*

- ❖ **CAPTAIN SILAS** (violent, possessed) intentionally ignites the fuel, starting a chain reaction
- ❖ A storm rolls in, causing confusion
- ❖ The crew is sacrificed to a **FORGOTTEN GOD**

*The **STORMHEART ESTATE** is guarded by loyal bodyguards and fierce mercenaries. They're watchful and eager for a fight.*

- ❖ An alarm goes off, alerting the defenders
- ❖ Snow makes it harder to see and hear
- ❖ A mercenary throws a hand-grenade

*Upon returning to **AKOROS**, you're interrogated by **INSPECTOR VALE** under the suspicion of working with Skovlan rebels.*

- ❖ Harrow holds someone at gunpoint
- ❖ Unconvinced, Vale tries to arrest you
- ❖ Vale calls for backup

*A **PIRATE LONGSHIP** ambushes the Dawn Reaper to steal the cargo. The pirate captain, **RUFUS LONG-FELLOW** (greedy), demands a parlay.*

- ❖ An explosion causes the ship to sink
- ❖ Another longship appears from a rival clan
- ❖ Pirates use grappling hooks to board

*Lars insists he didn't steal the necklace. He asks you to take a sealed marriage offer to Veretta. As he does so, Rowan's troops besiege the walls!*

- ❖ Lars is betrayed! A fight breaks out between the bodyguards and mercenaries
- ❖ A mournful ghost emerges from the dungeon

*While you talk with Veretta, Lord Rowan tries to detain her until the wedding.*

- ❖ Marcus reveals that he stole the necklace when he discovered the affair
- ❖ Lars arrives to try and rescue Veretta
- ❖ Outmatched, Marcus demands single combat