

*(TOBIAS emerges from the cellar, singing in an eerie voice. His hair has turned completely white)*

**TOBIAS**

PAT-A-CAKE, PAT-A-CAKE, BAKER MAN.  
BAKE ME A CAKE –  
NO, NO,  
BAKE ME A PIE –  
TO DELIGHT MY EYE,  
AND I WILL SIGH  
IF THE CRUST BE HIGH ...

*(Sees TODD)*

*He* Todd.

*(Notices the BEGGAR WOMAN)*

*He* the old woman. Ya harmed her too, have ya? Ya shouldn't, ya know. Ya shouldn't harm nobody.

*(HE bends to examine the body; TODD, suddenly aware of someone, pushes him violently aside. As TOBIAS staggers back and recovers his balance, HE notices the razor on the floor, picks it up, plays with it)*

*He*! Razor! Cut, cut, cut cadougan, watch me grind my corn. Pat him and prick him and mark him with B, and put him in the oven for baby and me!

*(Cuts TODD's throat. TODD dies across the body of LUCY as the factory whistle blows. ANTHONY, JOHANNA and OFFICERS OF THE GUARD come running on. Seeing the carnage, THEY all stop)*

*He* will pardon me, gentlemen, but you may not enter here. Oh no! Me mistress can't let no one enter here, for, you see, sirs, there's work to be done, so much work.

**(TOBIAS)**

*(While THEY watch in horror, HE moves to the grinding machine and slowly starts to turn the handle)*

Three times. That's the secret. Three times through for them to be tender and juicy. Three times through the grinder. Smoothly, smoothly ...

*(JOHANNA gives a little cry. ANTHONY throws his arm around her. As the group stands watching, still in silence, TOBIAS continues to grind. Suddenly, the trap door slams shut; the light brightens abruptly, TOBIAS steps back, looks up and sings)*

**EPILOGUE**