

S C E N E F I V E

Francoise (runs to the window):

Here they are. Two truckloads of soldiers and me alone.

Leonie:

I am finished. Let us try the basement escape.

(The two women run out, and in a minute are back locking the door.)

Francoise:

Too late. (She takes a handgun out of the locker.) Leonie, take this and kill me.

Leonie:

I could not.

Francoise:

I am a coward. I can not commit suicide and I know too much. If they torture me, I will tell. I will tell everything. Kill me, please!

Leonie:

It does not matter!

Francoise:

It matters very much. Leonie, kill me!

(Leonie takes the gun.)

Francoise:

Not that way, the safety is on. Now.

Leonie:

I can not.

Francoise:

Point it at my heart, it's useless to make me suffer.

(There is a noise behind the door and someone knocks.)

Francoise:

Leonie, for goodness sake! Please!

(Leonie shoots and Francoise falls on her knees, then sideways onto the ground. Leonie then walks towards the chesterfield, lays down and shoots herself.)

(Hard knock on the door.)