

The 100 Handed
Mini Episode Seven
Grandmaster

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WEXLER AND SOLOMON PLAY CHESS

INT. SOLOMON'S PARLOR - DAY

WEXLER

I didn't know you enjoyed playing chess, Solomon.

SOLOMON

Oh, quite fond of it. I've enjoyed watching the game evolve over the years. After it came to Europe, things really started heating up on the black-and-white.

(beat)

Hm. You seem to have put me in a pretty bad spot.

WEXLER

Well, I've got three pawns, a knight, a rook, and a king. You've just got a rook and a king.

SOLOMON

I've been in worse predicaments and survived.

WEXLER

I'll believe it when I see it. Your move.

SOLOMON

Kc7. Let's get our king out of trouble.

A piece moves.

WEXLER

Rxh8.

Two pieces move; Wexler takes the rook.

SOLOMON

You just took my rook!

WEXLER

Well, what else? You've just got your king left.

SOLOMON
 (frantic)
 Kd6! Get away from me!

A piece moves.

WEXLER
 B8=Q. Queen me!

Two pieces move; Wexler trade the pawn for a queen.

SOLOMON
 A queen!? Oh no, oh no...Kxc5, I'll
 take the knight!

Two pieces move, Solomon's king takes the knight.

WEXLER
 The best move you could make. D8=Q.
 Queen me again.

Another two pieces; a pawn turns into a queen.

SOLOMON
 TWO QUEENS?

WEXLER
 I'm rockin' and rollin' Solomon. Give
 me two turns and I'll make that third
 pawn a queen. Your move, I know
 you've been in worse.

SOLOMON
 Yes...I still have one trick up my
 sleeve.

WEXLER
 Oh yeah, and what's....

An energetic charge. Solomon EXPLODES the chessboard. Pieces
 fly everywhere. A fire crackles.

WEXLER (cont'd)
 You didn't see a path to victory, so
 you exploded the chessboard. We call
 that flipping the monopoly table
 where I come from.

SOLOMON
 Is that so? Where I'm from, we simply
 call it a draw.

FADE OUT.

CREDITS

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