

ACT TWO

Scene 1 : Queen Victoria visits Wolverton

(ENTER STATION MAN)

STATION MAN: One day, Her Majesty Queen Victoria came to visit Wolverton.

(BAND PLAYS "RULE BRITANNIA". ENTER QUEEN VICTORIA, ESCORT AND LADY-IN-WAITING)

VICTORIA: What a charming little red-brick town.

242 little red-brick houses - all running either this way or that way at right angles - three or four tall red-brick engine-chimneys, a number of "very large red-brick workshops, six red houses for officers - one red beer-shop, two red public-houses, and, we are glad to add, a substantial red schoolroom and a neat stone church...