



Title: **Get an Iron Duke**

Production Stage: Production

We offer: Co-Production

Synopsis:

Two private detectives with completely different tempers and work methods are forced to join forces in order to find their long missing relative at the order of an aristocratic family – some evidence that he might be alive appeared.

Going through dislike and confrontation, the private detectives begin to understand that there are suspiciously many mysteries and apparent coincidences in this case, and the customers are pursuing some interests of their own. The stakes are getting higher as the outcome is getting close! In the end, in order to save the world, the colleagues are forced to stand against the mysterious cult, and the vicious mercenaries of the missing one, and the whole army of tabourets.

Oh, right, we forgot to get things straight – in fact, the half of the characters have some unexpected items instead of their heads, so tabourets-assassins will not seem something way out of the ordinary to you...

Main characters:

Victor Torchier

All his life he served in the investigative department of the City, and then, through some aggravating mistake, one day he lost everything – his career and his beloved one...

Having found a consolation at the bottom of the bottle, the torchiere-detective, who remained on the margins of life, became a private detective.

The cerebral worm helps him with simple tasks; Victor carries this worm around in a plastic bag filled with some muddy liquid.

Victor realizes perfectly well that his skills will hardly be requested for search of unfaithful husbands and runaway brides, that is why he accepts the unexpected proposal from the rich family of irons without getting into details.



In order to keep in check the misanthropic torchier with a pile of problems, the family of the missing one assigns their ex-bodyguard to him.

Gugo

First reaction of two-meter tall elderly trooper Gugo towards his partner dressed in a permanently wrinkled trench coat with a ton of rubbish in his pockets (to add to all this, he's a worm!) is a genuine contempt, but, gradually, he starts to feel if not sympathy, then, at least, respect to him as a professional.

A complicated bromance evolves after the partners realize that the family of the missing one is into a tricky game, in which they are entitled with a role of pawns, expendable material.

Iron Duke

Many years after his disappearance, the "missing" prodigal son, iron Duke, is identified by accident on some muddy photo in social networks.

At first, one of the richest families of the world, the Wislow irons clan, refuses to comment on these rumors, and then, initiates its own investigation.

Duke, who always causes his relatives a lot of problems through his adventures, went off the radar at some moment and, after some standard period of time, was declared missing, and then – deceased.

And Duke himself is quite comfortable with this situation. That is why he and his new patrons are exerting their best efforts in order to dismiss the investigation. Surprisingly, this is exactly what the family of the missing is trying to achieve, in fact – torchier Victor and Gugo's investigation should quickly confirm the death of Duke (that is why the private detective with a bad reputation and a pile of debts was hired).

But, it seems that something went wrong at some point...

Push Broom Jock

Another key character of our story is Push Broom Jock, a small-time crook from downtown.

She used to render various shady services to Victor, but now she finds herself dragged into much more dangerous and unpredictable investigation.

Jock falls in love with spectacular Gugo, and, although he does not respond the aspirations of some push broom in any way, she continues her seduction efforts. Even though the whole world is on the verge of global catastrophe which may be triggered by the crook's "object de désir".

Narrative logic:

In the end of each series the detectives will get a new clue, which seemingly leads directly to the investigation's objective. But, as the events evolve, it will become clear that the "truth is out there". Thus we will be able to maintain the vertical-horizontal structure of the series. The local action is provided by the attempts of the duo to check yet another clue and their clash with new adversaries, leading to destruction of the picture that the detectives already developed and – to the new clue.

The general intrigue is supported by the parallel action, first related to illogical actions of the "missing" Duke (and in the beginning we do not let the audience know which of these are flashbacks, and which are happening here and now), gradually, Duke's life, the past one and the present one, falls into the scary picture of the world conspiracy, in which he has to play a special part.



Brief summary of the plot:

At first, the involuntary partners analyze the old pieces of evidence of the case on the search for Duke which was closed time ago. And they find a lot of discrepancies. Checking all the data once again, the detectives, assisted by ubiquitous Jock, find new clues and gladly inform the customer that, as it appears, they can find their relative.

The family thanks them for their zeal, but in fact they are livid - the clumsy torchier turned out to be too good! Gugo receives a task to protect the interests of the family and to constrain his partner. But it is not so easy, and Gugo himself starts to suspect his masters of double game.

The detectives very quickly find out that, as it turns out, Duke disappeared not on his own, but together with a whole crew of a dry-cargo vessel, where he got a job of a chef (having no cooking skills whatsoever). The dry-cargo vessel, according to various speculations, either became a victim of a giant killer shark, or was captured by the pirates and sold in parts. Trying to clarify the details of what happened, the detectives face resistance, at first, a hidden one, and after a brutal attack of chandelier sharks it becomes quite obvious.

But this only excites the colleagues who start to have more confidence in each other. Jock, who nearly perished in the chandelier's jaws, helps the detectives both because of gratitude and the feelings devouring her. But the data she collects only raises even more questions!

It becomes clear that everyone is lying about the story of the dry-cargo vessel, and that includes those who ordered the investigation, as well.

It turns out that the people from the missing crew have been already seen in most unexpected places, but this information was destroyed immediately, sometimes – together with witnesses.

Gugo decides to betray his masters and shares with torchier some confidential information which he got from the archives of Wislow family of irons. Combining it with the new clues that the scared to death pirates shared, the detectives realize they stand on the verge of disclosing a real world conspiracy! All this time they were looking for people, whereas it is the cargo that they should have been looking for, in the first place.

The detectives found out that some of the containers from the missing ship are embedded in the foundations of the lighthouses which the mysterious Brotherhood of Light is frantically building in most unexpected locations – Antarctica, the Sahara Desert, the Siberian taiga.

Someone from the crew of the missing ship is found without fail not far from each such place. But none of them remember anything about what happened and all are sincerely sure they have always been living in this place under completely different names. But it seems not all of the “foundlings” tell the truth – the meeting with one of them is followed by, at first, the attack of mercenaries green berets-tabourets, and then – of spiteful buckskins-assassins, after that Torchier and Gugo realize they came too close to unveiling of secret already.

Duke, who paid for attack of buckskins-assassins, is forced to contact his family and join forces with them for counteracting the detectives who are going too far. Now the partners are on the wanted list themselves and, last I checked, brutal mercenaries-tabourets and no less brutal buckskins were still active...

But, with the help of crook Jock, the friends manage to find missing Duke! However, this “Duke”, apparently, does not even suspect who he is and what drama is evolving around him...



And then the audience finds out that there are two Dukes – and it is not clear which of them is real and which is not. Because the Duke, who appears in flashbacks, is not from our Universe, whatsoever.

...Offended at his family rebellious teenager joins the mysterious cult of Brotherhood of Light, in order to seize their mysteries and reboot the Universe, creating a new branch line of history, in which he would be a powerful industrialist and philanthropist.

For this purpose, the dry-cargo vessel was bought out, Duke's laboratory was set up there, and in the containers there were capsules from which copies of each members of the crew appeared in the course of the experiments.

They were supposed to become "batteries" in the lighthouses of the Brotherhood, which one fine day will turn on and launch a new time segment.

The originals with erased memory are simply not able to exist far from their copies, and, even thrown thousand miles away, they still find them and dwell like castaways, nearby.

After the successful experiment, a malicious "original" of Duke moved to another time segment. However, due to some mismatch, he failed to launch the lighthouses system and tried to be the first who finds his copy thrown in our time, in order to place it to the lighthouse and complete what he started.

But the Brotherhood of Light had completely different plans for using the lighthouses system – they were supposed to simply convert all the matter into the Infinite Light, in essence – to annihilate everything. That is why the cult followers send mercenaries, green berets-tabourets against anyone who has anything to do with the initiative of Duke the defector.

The detectives' intervention messed up all their plans and the partners found themselves in the middle of confrontation between several powerful forces...

But, with the help of real bromance, love and team spirit, torchier Victor, Gugo and enamored Push Broom find the way to avert the impending doom that hanged over our world.

This time – for sure!...



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