

11 INT. MOUNT VERNON PARLOR - DAY

Washington, his arms full of soap and fresh clothing, races out the front door, heading down toward the Potomac River.

Elizabeth watches him from the window as Craik, Sally, and Anne sit around, having tea. Sally reads a large leather-bound book, which sits in her lap.

ELIZABETH

He is off to bathe
in the Potomac. How uncouth.
Does he not own a bathtub?

ANNE

I find it quite sensible
to use what means the good Lord
has already provided.
Quite sensible indeed.

ELIZABETH

Have ye not heard the rumor of
young Washington having
had his clothing stolen
from him once already while
bathing in the river?

SALLY

'Tis only a rumor.

ANNE

'Tis not a rumor, but the truth.
Frankly, I wish I had been
there to witness the crime.
I would have been more than
happy to give testimony on
Washington's behalf.
What do you think, Doctor Craik?

Craik is at a loss for words.