

Arlequin – a foolish servant with overtones of a deep-thinking poet

Arlequin addresses first, his companion, El Capitan

Arlequin: In our wanderings through the countryside that surrounds this city, which is its best feature without any doubt, I believe that we have unexpectedly arrived in front of the inn. What a creature of habit is man! And what a difficult habit it is to feed oneself every day! ...

Then he addresses the Innkeeper who refuses to provide them with credit for a meal:

Arlequin: Do you think that money is everything in this base world? Does it count for nothing that we have sung the praises of your establishment high and low? I've even dedicated a sonnet to you and in it I celebrate your partridge stew and your hare pie! ... And as for the Captain, be assured that he would stand alone against a whole army to defend the good name of your establishment. Does that count for nothing? Does everything in this world have to be counted in money?