

Call Back Side for DOÑA SIRENA, LAURA, RISELA

Sirena: Ladies! I was beginning to feel aggrieved by your absence.

Laura: Oh, is it so late?

Sirena: It's always too late to see you.

Risela: We left two other parties so as not to be absent from your home.

Laura: Also, because someone said there would be no party tonight because you were feeling somewhat indisposed.

Sirena: To defy the slanderers, I would have held my party even if I were at death's door.

Risela: And we would have died and still we would not have missed your party.

Laura: Have you heard the news?

Risela: There's talk of nothing else.

Laura: They say that a mysterious personage has arrived in town. Some say he's a secret ambassador from Venice or France.

Risela: Others say he's come to find a wife for the Sultan of Turkey.

Laura: Everyone says he's as handsome as Adonis.

Risela: If only we could meet him ... You must invite him to your party.

Sirena: That was not necessary, ladies, for he himself sent an emissary asking to attend. And he is here in my house, and you will see him very soon.

Laura: What are you saying? See how right we were to leave everything to come to your house.

Risela: We'll be the envy of every woman tonight!

Laura: Everybody's dying to meet him.

Sirena: Well I did nothing. It was enough for him to know I was having a party in my house.

Risela: It's always been that way with you. There's not an important person who comes to this town that doesn't pay you their respects.

Laura: I can't wait to see him ... Take us to meet him now, on your lives.

Risela: Yes, yes, take us.

Sirena: If you'll excuse me, Señor Polichinela is arriving with his family ... But you go without me. It won't be difficult to find him.

Risela: Yes, yes; let's go, Laura.

Laura: Let's go, Risela. Before there's too much commotion and we won't be able to get near him. *(They exit first right.)*