

GOLDE + YENTE

YENTE SPEECH WITH GOLDE

GOLDE DARLING. I HAD TO SEE YOU BECAUSE I HAVE SUCH NEWS FOR YOU. AND NOT JUST EVERY DAY IN THE WEEK NEWS, ONCE IN A LIFETIME NEWS. WHERE ARE YOUR DAUGHTERS? OUTSIDE, NO? GOOD, SUCH DIAMONDS, SUCH JEWELS. I'LL FIND EVERY ONE OF THEM A HUSBAND. BUT YOU SHOULDN'T BE SO PICKY...EVEN THE WORST HUSBAND, GOD FORBID, IS BETTER THAN NO HUSBAND, GOD FORBID...

GOLDE: YENTE, YOU SAID YOU HAD NEWS FOR ME.

YENTE; OF COURSE, THE NEWS. IT'S ABOUT LAZAR WOLF, THE BUTCHER. OUT OF THE WHOLE TOWN, HE'S CAST HIS EYE ON TZEITEL.

GOLDE: SUCH A MATCH FOR MY TZEITEL. BUT TEVYE WANTS A LEARNED MAN, HE DOESN'T LIKE LAZAR.

YENTE: HE'LL WIN HIM OVER, HE'S A GOOD MAN AND HE'S WELL OFF. YOU DON'T HAVE TO THANK ME, GOLDE, BECAUSE IT GIVES ME SATISFACTION TO MAKE PEOPLE HAPPY, SO GOODBYE, GOLDE, AND YOU'RE WELCOME.

TZEITEL, GOLDE, HODEL, CHAVA SCENE

TZEITEL: WHAT DID SHE WANT. MAMA?

GOLDE: WHEN I WANT YOU TO KNOW, I'LL TELL YOU. FINISH THE FLOOR.

HODEL: I WONDER IF YENTE FOUND A HUSBAND FOR YOU?

TZEITEL: I'M NOT ANXIOUS FOR YENTE TO FIND ME A HUSBAND.

CHAVA: NOT UNLESS IT'S MOTEL , THE TAILOR.

TZEITEL: I DIDN'T ASK YOU.

HODEL: TZEITEL, YOU'RE THE OLDEST. THEY HAVE TO MAKE A MATCH FOR YOU BEFORE THEY CAN MAKE ONE FOR ME.

CHAVA: AND THEN AFTER HER , ONE FOR ME.

TZEITEL: OH, YENTE,YENTE...

HODEL: WELL, SOMEBODY HAS TO ARRANGE THE MATCHES.

CHAVA: SHE MIGHT BRING SOMEONE WONDERFUL..

HODEL: SOMEONE INTERESTING...

CHAVA: AND WELL OFF...