

HIGGINS

No, I don't. Who the devil are you?

KARPATY

I am your pupil, your first, best and greatest pupil. I am Zoltan Karpathy, that marvelous boy. I have made your name famous throughout Europe. You teach me phoetics. You cannot forget me.

HIGGINS

Why don't you shave?

KARPATY

*(Giggles)*

I have not your imposing appearance; your figure, your brow. Nobody notice me when I shave.

HIGGINS

*(Noticing the medals HE's wearing)*

Where did you find all those old coins?

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KARPATY

*(Giggles)*

Decorations for language. The Queen of Transylvania is here this evening. I am indispensable to her at these international parties. I speak thirty-two languages. I know everybody in Europe. No imposter escape my detection. And now, Professor, you must introduce me to this glorious creature you escort this evening. She fascinate everyone. Not since Mrs. Langtry came to London...

FOOTMAN

His Excellency Dr. Themistocles Stephanos.

*(A well-decorated GENTLEMAN and LADY X D stairs to DL - meet a LADY and greet HER)*

KARPATY

*(Pointing out GENTLEMAN who has entered)*

This so-called Greek diplomat pretends he cannot speak English. But he does not deceive me. He is the son of a Yorkshire watchmaker. He speaks English so villainously that he dare not utter a word of it without betraying his origin. I help him to pretend, but I make him pay through the nose. I make them all pay.

*(HE begins to stroke HIGGINS' lapel)*

I look forward to meeting your lady.

*(HE bows; joins UC group. HIGGINS Xes to PICKERING and MRS. HIGGINS, DL)*