

## ACT ONE

### Scene 8 : Railway servants and railway passengers

(ENTER PORTER CARRYING PHILLIMORE'S BAGS. HE SHOWS PHILLIMORE AND HIS COMPANION INTO WAITING ROOM. THERE IS THE SOUND OF A TRAIN ARRIVING. ENTER INSPECTOR. PORTER RUNS TO PLATFORM. ENTER LADY PASSENGERS FOLLOWED BY FIRST GENT.)

FIRST LADY: Where's my portmanteau?

SECOND LADY: Mr Porter. Have you seen my bonnet box?  
I'm sure my best bonnet will be squeezed to atoms.

FIRST LADY: Oh dear, such quick travelling as one flies away from one's things.

INSPECTOR: Don't worry, ladies and gentlemen. The company has made arrangements for the speedy and safe conveyance of all your trunks, carpet bags and hat cases. They were all put in a road van, at Euston Square Station. Here at Denbigh Hall, this van is taken off the train, four horses are put to and it is immediately forwarded to Rugby, where it is again attached to the train...