

SONG.

"I ALWAYS TAKE MY MOTHER'S WORD."

PEPITA.

If there is one thing more than others
Well regulated girls should do,
It is confiding in their mothers,
Who will consult their int'rests true. .
If a man should make proposal
Upon his knees, altho' he's nice,
And you love—don't then disclose all,
Wait till you hear mamma's advice.

Refrain.—I always take my mother's word,
Than mine, her wisdom's more ;
For she has, as from her I've heard,
Been through it all before.

But if my heart beats when he tells me
That I am all in all to him,
And if propriety compels me
To draw away my waist so slim,
The secret's mine, and not another's,
He tries to whisper in my ear ;
It most surely's not my mother's,
Nor was it meant for her to hear.

Refrain.—I always take, &c.

FINALE.

Perfect punctuality,
A virtue rare,
In a guest.
When his friend
Is only fair.
And when hospitality
Sets one good fare,
Eat with zest,
Drink your best,
Do not spare.
Eat with zest,
Drink your best,
And do not spare.

Enter PEPITA and INEZ.