Andrew Lloyd Webber, Little Lotte/The Mirror

LITTLE LOTTE

CHRISTINE'S DRESSING ROOM (Meanwhile RAOUL ANDRE, FIRMIN, and MME. FIRMIN are seen making their way towards the dressing room, the MANAGERS in high spirits, bearing champagne) ANDRE A tour de force! No other way to describe it! FIRMIN What a relief ! Not a single refund! MME. FIRMIN Greedy. ANDRE Richard, I think we've made guite a discovery in Miss Daae! FIRMIN (to RAOUL, indicating CHRISTINE 'S dressing room) Here we are, Monsieur le Vicomte. RAOUL Gentlemen if you wouldn't mind. This is one visit I should prefer to make unaccompanied. (He takes the champagne from FIRMIN) ANDRE As you wish, monsieur. (They bow and move off) FIRMIN They appear to have met before . . . (RAOUL knocks at the door and enters) RAOUL Christine Daae, where is your scarf? CHRISTINE Monsieur? RAOUL You can't have lost it. After all the trouble I took. I was just fourteen and soaked to the skin . . . CHRISTINE Because you had run into the sea to fetch my scarf. Oh, Raoul. So it is you! RAOUL Christine. (They embrace and laugh. She moves away and sits at her dressing table) RAOUL "Little Lotte let her mind wander . . ." CHRISTINE You remember that, too . . . RAOUL (continuing) "... Little Lotte thought: Am I fonder of dolls . . ." BOTH (CHRISTINE joining in) " . . or of goblins, of shoes . . ." CHRISTINE "... or of riddles. of frocks . . ." RAOUL Those picnics in the attic . . . " . . . or of chocolates . . . " CHRISTINE Father playing the violin . . . RAOUL As we read to each other dark stories of the North . . .

CHRISTINE ":No what I love best. Lotte said. is when I'm asleep in my bed, and the Angel of Music sings songs in my head!" BOTH "... the Angel of Music sings song in my head!" CHRISTINE (turning in her chair to look at him) Father said, " When I'm in heaven, child, I will send the Angel of Music to you". Well, father is dead, Raoul, and I have been visited by the Angel of Music. RAOUL No doubt of it. And now we'll go to supper! CHRISTINE No, Raoul, the Angel of Music is very strict. RAOUL I shan't keep you up late! CHRISTINE No, Raoul . . . RAOUL You must change. I must get my hat. Two minutes Little Lotte. (He hurries out) CHRISTINE (calling after him) Raoul! (quietly picking up her hand mirror) Things have changed, Raoul. (Tremulous music. CHRISTINE hears the PHANTOM'S voice, seemingly from behind her dressing room mirror) THE MIRROR PHANTOM'S VOICE Insolent boy! This slave of fashion basking in your glory! Ignorant fool! This brave young suitor, sharing in my triumph! CHRISTINE (spell-bound) Angel! I hear you! Speak -I listen . . . stay by my side, guide me! Angel, my soul was weak forgive me . . . enter at last. Master! PHANTOM'S VOICE Flattering child, you shall know me, see why in shadow I hide! Look at your face in the mirror -I am there inside! (The figure of the PHANTOM becomes discernible

behind the mirror) CHRISTINE (ecstatic) Angel of Music! Guide and guardian! Grant to me your glory! Angel of Music! Hide no longer! Come to me, strange angel... PHANTOM"S VOICE I am your Angel ... Come to me: Angel of Music ... (CHRISTINE walks towards the glowing, shimmering glass. Meanwhile, RAOUL has returned. He hears the voices and is puzzled. He tries the door It is locked) RAOUL Whose is that voice . . .? Who is that in there . . .? (Inside the room the mirror opens. Behind it, in an inferno of white light, stands the PHANTOM. He reaches forward and takes CHRISTINE firmly, but not fiercely, by the wrist. His touch is cold, and CHRISTINE gasps) PHANTOM I am your Angel of Music . . . Come to me: Angel of Music . . . (CHRISTINE disappears through the mirror, which closes behind her The door of the dressing room suddenly unlocks and swings open, and RAOUL enters to find the room empty) RAOUL Christine! Angel!