

Nell; Dromio of Ephesus; Dromio of Syracuse; (Antipholus of Ephesus)

[Enter NELL, within]

NELL

What a coil is there, Dromio! Who are those at the gate?

DROMIO OF EPHEBUS

Let my master in, Nell.

NELL

Faith, no; he comes too late,

ANTIPHOLUS OF EPHEBUS

Do you hear, you minion? You'll let us in, I hope?

NELL

I thought to have asked you.

DROMIO OF SYRACUSE

And you said no.

DROMIO OF EPHEBUS

So, come – help.

[They beat at the door]

Well struck! There was blow for blow.

ANTIPHOLUS OF EPHEBUS

Thou baggage, let me in.

NELL

Can you tell for whose sake?

DROMIO OF EPHEBUS

Master, knock the door hard.

NELL

Let him knock till it ache.

ANTIPHOLUS OF EPHEBUS

You'll cry for this, minion, if I beat the door down.

[Beats on the door]

NELL

What needs all that, and a pair of stocks in the town?