

SEYMON

Irene Actressovana. A word with  
you.

IRENE

Of course Seymon.

They go aside.

SEYMON

You know I am to be married.

IRENE

Yes, to Masha.

(pause)

How wonderful for you.

SEYMON

I have learned that this is not a  
healthy love.

IRENE

There is no healthy love Seymon.

SEYMON

Oh but there is.

IRENE

She is a lovely girl Seymon, but  
she does not love you.

SEYMON

I know, and I begin to love another  
in her stead.

IRENE

Do you? Who is the lucky girl  
Nina perhaps?

SEYMON

No. Another.

IRENE

Another?

SEYMON

Yes.

IRENE

Who?

SEYMON

A woman of artistic sensitivity,  
grace, presence, passion...

IRENE

Where do you hope to find such a  
woman Seymon? Not here.

SEYMON

You are such a woman Irene  
Actresovana.

IRENE

Seymon!

Pause.

SEYMON

May I come to Moscow with you?

IRENE

But Trigorin...

SEYMON

Is crossing the lake with Nina  
Pinta St. Marya.

Pause.

IRENE

You are a strong man Seymon. I  
think we may have something to  
discuss between us.