

Deny thy father and refuse thy name ...”

[He spots a member of the audience directly underneath him.] I know what you're lookin' at, buddy! [He closes his legs indignantly. They are now wrapped tightly around the pole.]

Or if thou wilt not, be but sworn my love,
And I'll no longer be a Capulet.
What's in a name, anyway? That which we call
a nose
By any other name would still smell.
O Romeo ...”

O Romeo! Romeo! *[Referring to the pole.]* Who
needs Romeo!?!

“... doff thy name, which is no part of thee,
Take all myself. *[Plummets to the floor.]*

D/ROMEO: I take thee at thy word. Call me but love, And I shall
be new-baptiz'd. Henceforth I shall never be Romeo.”

A/JULIET: What did you just say?

D/ROMEO: ... Call me but love, And I'll be new baptized. Hence-
forth—

A/JULIET: Call you butt-love?!

D/ROMEO: Henceforth, I never shall be Romeo.

A/JULIET: You're butt-love!

D/ROMEO: I never shall be Romeo.

A/JULIET: Butt-love, butt-love, butt-love—

*[DANIEL snatches ADAM'S hand, and ADAM
snaps out of it.]*

“What man art thou? Art thou not Romeo,
And a Montague?”

D/ROMEO: Neither, fair maid, if either thee dislike.

A/JULIET: Dost thou love me then? I know thou wilt say aye,
And I will take thy word. Yet if thou swearest,

Thou mayest prove false. O Romeo, if thou
dost love,
Pronounce it faithfully.

D/ROMEO: Lady, by yonder blessed moon, I swear—

A/JULIET: O swear not by the moon!

D/ROMEO: What shall I swear by?”

[JULIET *points to a woman in the audience.*]

D/ROMEO: Lady, by yonder blessed virgins—

A/JULIET: [*Referring to the woman.*] I don't think so. “No,

Do not swear at all. Although I joy in thee,
I have no joy in this contract tonight.
It is too rash, too sudden, too unadvised,
Too like the lightning, which doth cease to be
Ere one can say it lightens. Sweet, good night.

[JULIET *is ready to say “good night” at the up-
stage door, but ROMEO is on another planet,
caught up in a series of gestures.*]

A/JULIET: Sweet, good night ... yo, butt-love, over here.

[ROMEO *snaps out of it and joins her upstage.*]