

## **Barbra Streisand "Adelaide's Lament"**

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[From "Guys And Dolls"]

The average unmarried female  
Basic'ly insecure  
Due to some long frustration  
May react  
With psychosomatic symptoms  
Difficult to endure  
Affecting the upper respiratory tract  
In other words,  
Just from waiting around  
For that little band of gold  
A person can develop a cold  
You can spray her wherever you figure  
The streptococci lurk  
You can give her a shot  
For whatever she's got  
But it just won't work  
If she's tired of getting the fish-eye  
From the hotel clerk  
A person  
Can develop a cold  
The female remaining single  
Just in the legal sense  
Shows a neurotic tendency  
See note:  
Note: Chronic organic syndromes  
Toxic and hypertense  
Involving the eye,  
The ear and the nose and throat  
In other words,  
Just from worrying  
Whether the wedding is on or off,  
A person  
Can develop a cough  
You can feed her all day  
With the Vitamin A  
And the Bromo Fizz  
But the medicine never  
Gets anywhere near  
Where the trouble is  
If she's getting a kind

Of name for herself  
And the name ain't "his"  
A person  
Can develop a cough  
And further more  
Just from stalling  
And stalling and stalling  
The wedding trip  
A person  
Can develop La grippe  
When they get on a train  
For Niag'ra  
And she can hear church bells chime  
The compartment is air conditioned  
And the mood sublime  
Then they get off at Saratoga  
For the fourteenth time  
A person  
Can develop La grippe  
La grippe, La post nasal drip  
With the wheezes  
And the sneezes  
And a sinus that's really a pip!  
For a lack of community property  
And a feeling she's getting too old  
A person  
Can develop  
A bad, bad cold!

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