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CHARACTERS

FRANCESCO PETRARCA	<i>A Young Poet and Scholar</i>
GHERARDO	<i>His Brother, a Monk</i>
LELLO	<i>His Friend</i>
ORSO	<i>His Servant</i>
FILIPPA	} <i>Ladies of light life in Avignon</i>
SANCIA	
MADONNA LAURA		

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SCENE: *A room in the chambers of PETRARCA at Avignon. It opens on a loggia overlooking, on higher ground, the spired church of Santa Clara and the gray cloisters of a Carthusian monastery. Beyond lie the city walls under glamour of the blue Provençal night.*

The room, faintly frescoed, is lighted with many candles; some glittering on a wine-table heavy with wines toward the right front. A door on the left leads to other rooms, and an arras'd one opposite,