

Esther Pretta

Gentlemen, Treasurer, and Administrators of
the Holy brotherhood of orphan girls,

Judiq Pretta, the widow of Benjamin Pretto,
requests your favor to admit her daughter
Esther Pretta to the lottery of this year, being in
the second degree related to Jacob Pretto
Henriques. . . . She will feel obliged to ask God
for your life and good fortune. *Vesalom* [peace]

No. 5 Second degree [relation to] Jacob Pretto
Enriqs

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Gentlemen, Treasurer, and Administrators, of the *mitzvah* [good deed] to bestow dowries to orphan girls,

Esther, the orphan of Benjamin Pretto from Amsterdam, to the second degree related to Jacob Pretto Enriqs, of sufficient age to get married, thus requests and implores your favor to accept her [entry] to the lots that will be taken out [of the bowls] on the second day of upcoming Purim of this year 5427

f 800 [800 Dutch guilders]

Esther Mendes do Vale

Gentlemen, Treasurer, and Administrators, of the *mitzvah* [good deed] to bestow dowries to orphan girls,

Esther Mendes do Vale, an orphan from Amsterdam, begs your favor to accept her [entry] to the lots that will be taken out [of the bowls] on the second day of Purim in the year 5426 [1666], in the light of the fact that she is of adequate age marry and *Vesalom* [peace]

Subsequently on the list at number 42 for *f* 500 [500 Dutch guilders]

Clara de Almeida

Gentlemen, Administrators, and Treasurer, of
the Holy brotherhood of orphan girls,

Clara de Almeida, who lives in Bayonne, an orphan on both her father's and mother's side, the daughter of Framco Rodrigues [de] Almeida whose relatives suffered [at the hands of the Inquisition] in Córdoba and the sister of the martyr Isaque Dalmeida Berl who suffered [at the hands of the Inquisition] in Santiago [de Compostela] in Galicia, glorifying the name of God. She is related in the third degree to Jacob Ysrael Bernal.