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## DRAMATIS PERSONA.

| Rucrapd, a Pirate Chief |  | . | . | .. | . | . . | .. | . |
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| Samurl, his Lieutenant |  |  | . | . | . | . | . |  |
| Frederic, a Pirate Apprentice |  | . | . | . | . | . | . |  |
| Major-Grneral Stanley, of the British Army |  | . | . |  | . | . | . |  |
| Edward, a Sergeant of Police |  | . | . | . | . | $\ldots$ | . |  |
| Mabel, General Stanley's Youngest Daughter |  | $\cdots$ | . | . | . | . | . |  |
| $\left.\begin{array}{l} \text { Kite, } \\ \text { Eidith } \end{array}\right\} \text { General Stanley's Daughters }$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\{$ |
| $\left.\begin{array}{l}\text { Edith, } \\ \text { Isabil, },\end{array}\right\}$ General Stanley's Daughters |  | . | . |  | . | . | . |  |
| Ruth, a Piratical "Maid-of-all-work" |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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 orTHE SLAVE OF DUTY

Written by W. 8. GILBEBT.
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OVERTURE.




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BoEnk.-A rocky sca shore on the coast of Cornsall. Rocks L., As the curtain rases groups of Pirutes are discovered, sonte irink shoping down to L. C. of stuge. Under these rocks is a cavern, ing, some playing cards. Samuel, the Pirate Lieutenant. it the eitrance to which is seen at fint eintrance $I$. A natural arch of rock occujies the R. C. of the stagie. In the divtance is a calm rea, on which a scheoner is lying at anchor.
going from one group to another, filling the cups from a flakk. Fbederic is scated in a despondent attitude at the back of the scene, C. Ruth kncels at his feet.

No. i. OPENING CHORUS OF PIRATES, \& SOLO-Samuel.





(Frederic rises and comes forward with Pirate King, who enters scuttling a Cunarder or cutting ont a White Star uever shipped from R. U. E.) a handspike.
King. Yea, Frederic, from to-day you rank as a full-blown Fred. Yes, I have done my best fra you. And why 9 It was
my duty under my indentures, and I am the slave of duty. As
All. Hurrah! my duty under my indentures, and I am the slave of duty. As
Frederic. My friends, I thank you all, from my heart, for an error. No matter, the mistake was ours, not yours, and I was your kindly wishes. Would that I could repay them as they in honor bound by it.
your serve!

King. What do you mean?
Fred. To-day I am out of my indentures, and to-day I leave pou for ever.

Fred. I may not tell you. It would regeer upon my wellloved Ruth.

Aus Leave us?
Fred. For ever!
Fring. But this is quite unaccountable. A keener hand at

No. 2 SONG—Ruth.



Roth. (Kineeling at his feet.) Oh pardon, Frederie! pardon!
Freid. Iise, sweet one; I have long pardoned you.
(Ruth rives.)
Rutin. The two words were so much alike!
Fred. They still are, though years have rolled over their Fred. Yes, but it has got about, and what is the consequencer heads: (RuTh goes up with Samufl.) But this alternoon my Ewery one we capture says he's an orphan. The last three shups wbligation ceases. Iudividually, I love you all with atfection we tiok proved to be mamed entirely by orphnis, aud so we unspeakable; but collectively, I look upon you with at diaghat had to let 'em go. One would think that Gireat Britain's merthat ampunts to absolute detetation. Oh pity me, my beloved cantile navy was reernited solely from her orphan asylums, whieb friende, for such is my sense of duty that onece cut of thy inden- we know is not the case.
(Crosses Ri.) tur: - I shall feel myself bound to devote myself, beart and sonl, Sas. But, hang it all! you wouldn't have us absolutely to yur extermination.
merciless:
At.t. Poor lad! poor lad! (All weep.). Firrd. There's my diffeulty. Until twelve o'eloek I would;
Kinc. Well, Frederic, if you conscientiously feel that ; it after twelve o'dock I wouldn't. Was evera man placed in so your duty to destroy us, we camot blame you for acting on that delicate a sitnation?
conciction. Always act in accordanee with the dictates of your cunseimee, my thy, and chance the consequences.
Shuura. Desides, we can ofler you bint littic temptation to remain with us. W'c don't aem to make piracy pay. I'm sure I den't kimw why, but we don't.
Ficrid. I know why, but, alas! I mustn't tell you: it wouldn't the right.

Kisit. Why not, my boy? It's only half-past eleven, and yun are one of us matil the clock strikes tiwelve.
Sish. True, and until then you aro hound to protect our inあ.ret.

Alo. hear! hear!
Firme. Wedl, then, it is my duty as a pirate to tell you that gou are too tember-hearted. For instance, you make a point of never nttacking at wenker party than yourselves, nad when you attack a btronger party you iuvarinhly get thrawhed.

King. There is sorne truth in that.

Fred. Then, agaid, you make a point of never molesting an orphan.
fis. Of course: we are orphans ourselves, and know what it is.

His innocent jerson, and then find out that she is, on the whole, -keep thy love! (Hunde her buck to Frederic.) plain!.

King. Oh, Ruth is very well-very well indeed.
Sas. l'es, there are the remains of a fine woman about Ruth
Fsizd. Do you really think so? Then I will not be so selfish as to take her from you. In justice to her and in consideration for you I will leave her behind. (Hends Ruth to King.)

King. No, Frederic, this must not be. We are rough men, who lead a rough life, but we are not so utterly beartless as to deprive thee of thy love. I think I am right in saying that there is not one here who would deprive thee of this inestimable treasure for all the world holds dear.

All. (Loudly.) Not one!
King. No, I thought there wasn't. Keep thy love, Frederic

Fred. You're very grood, I'm sure.
King. Well, it's the top of the tide, and we must be ot ${ }^{\circ}$ Farewell, Frederic. When your process of extermination begins let our deaths be as swift and painless as you can conveniently make them.

Fred. I will. By the luve I have for you, I swear it. Would that you could rember this extermination unnccessary by accom panying me back to civilization!

Kinc. No, Frederie, it canuot be. I don't think nuch of our professiou, but, contrasted with respectability, it is comparatively honest. No, Frederic; I shall live and die a pirate king.

No. 3. SONG—Pirate King \& Chorus



(Pause 2nd vierse only.)

be $\quad \mathrm{Pi}$ - rate King :
Hur - rah for the Pi . rate

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Affer Song, the King, Samuel, and all the Pirates, except Frej- Ruth. It is a delicate question to answer, but I think I and ertc and Retil, go off $R$. and $R$. U. E. Frederic comes doun (f, folloued oy Rutin.)
Rutin. Ob take me with you: I camnot live if I am left brehind.

Fred. Ruth, I will be quite candif with you. You are very dear to me, as youl know, but I must be circumspect. Iuu see, you are considerably older than I: a lad of twenty-oue usually looks for a wite of seventeen.
1نJ.1. A wife of sevtutcen! You will find me a wife of a (Chorus of girls heard in the extreme distance, "Climbing on t/ Musand!

Fred. No, but I hall find you a wife of forty-seven. and that is quite enough now. liuth, tell me eaudidly and without reecrec: comparel with ther women, how are yout

IRuTi. I will answer you truthfully, waster: I bave a slight coll, but otherwise 1 an quite well.

Fitid. 1 :an -uny fior jour cold, but I was veferring rather to your persomal appearance. Compared with other women, are you beautiful?

Rumi. (Bushjully.) I have been told so, dear master.
Fred. Ah, but lately?
fine woman.
Fred. That is your candid opnion?
Ruth. Yes: I should be deceiving vou if I told you otherwise.

Finld. Thank you, Ruth, I believe you, for I am sure you would not practisc on ny inexperience. I wish to do the right thing, and if-I say, if-you are really ค fine woman, your agz shall be no obstacle to our union. (Shakes hands with her.) (Chorus of girls heard in the extreme distance, "Climb
rocky mountains," etc. See entrance of girls.)

Fras. Hark! surely I hear voices. Who has ventured to approach our all but inaccessible lair? Can it be custom-ioure ? No, it does not sound like custom-house.

Rutri. (Aside.) Confusion! It is the voices of young girls! If he should see them I'am lost.
Fred. (Climbing rocky arch R. C. and looking off L.) By all that's marvellous, a bevy of beautiful maidens:
livern. (Aside.) Lost! lost! lost!
Fred. How lovely, how surpassingly lovely, is the plainest of them! What graec! what delicacy! what refinement! and
Rutir. Oh no; years and years ago.
Fred. But what do you think yourself?
No. 4. RECITATIVE \& DUET—Ruth \& Frederic.






(Hides in cave as they enter, from $h$. and $L$., climbing over the rocks at $L$. of the stage and through arched rock $R$.)


CHORUS OF GIRLS.


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Kate. What a picturesque spot ! I wonder where we are?
Edrre. and I wonder where papa is? We have left him ever so far behind.
Isabel. Oh, he will be here presently. Remember, poor Kate. But what shall we do until papa and the servant papa is not as young as we are, and we came over a rather dif- arrive with the luncheon? (All listen and come down.) ficult country. Kate. But how thoroughly delightful it is to be so entirely Suppose we take off our shoce and stockings and paddle ? alone! Why, in all probability we are the first human beings who ever set foot on this enchanting spot.
Isabel. Except the mermaids: it's the very place for mer-maidz-

Edith. We are quite alone, and the sea is as smooth as glass
Kate. Who are ouly human beings down to the wnist-
Editi. And who can't be said, strictly, to set foot anywhere Tails they may, but feet they cannot.
(Tk,y prepure to carry out the suggestion. They have all taken of me shoe, when Frederic comes forward from cave.)

No. 6. RECITATIVE-Edith, Kate, Frederic, \& Chorus.



No. 7.
ARIA-Frederic \& Chorus of Girls.




Chorus of Girls.



Ho. 8
AlR-Mabel \& Chorus.





(MAEEL mad P'RED go to moudh of cave LL, and aowvorse. GAFT
bookons her siders, whe form in a semicirold around hor.)
No. 9
Edith, Kate, \& Chorus of Girls.


#  ather, in a line aerose the atage.) <br> (Cantriatre Casoms (dhering which Fred and Masze fondla. 


(Dering the the girls curntimu thear chutter pianmaimo, bed twatev-
Chores inqealerly all the time.)

(Frederic and Mabel turn to see that the girls are listening:
detected, they continue their chatter, forte.)


1 /haring this the girls continue their chatter, pianissimo, as before,

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Mo. I. Frederic, \& Chorus of Girls \& Pirates.

(During this Chorus the Pirates enter stealthily from R.U.E, and form in a semicircle behind the girls. As the girls move to





No. 12. RECITATIVE-Mabel, Major-General, Samuel, \& Chorus.


General. Yes, I am Major-Gencral!
All. You are! Hurralı for the Major-General!

Genernl. And it is a glorions thing to be a Major-General! All. It is! Ifurrah for the Najor-General!

No. 13 SONG-Major-General \& Chorus.









MAJOR-GENERAL


a - ni - mal, and mi - me-ral, He is the ve-ry mo-del of a mo-dern Ma - jor - Ge - ne-ral.


General. And now that I've introduced myeelf, I sboald like to have some idea of what's going on.
Kate. Oh, papa! we-
Samuel. Permit me; I'll explain it in two words: we propose to marry your daughters.
General. Dear me!
Grres. Against our wills, papa-against our wills!
General. Oh, but you mustn't do that. May I ask-this is a picturesque uniform, but I'm not familiar with it-what are you?

King. We are all single gentlemen.
General. Yes, I gathered that. Anything else?
King. No, nothing else.
Edith. Papa, don't believe them. They are pirates-the famous Pirates of Penzance!
General. The Pirates of Penzance? I have often heard of them.
Mabel. Yes, all except this gentleman (indicating FredERIC), who was a pirate ouce, but who is out of his indentures to-day.

General. But wait a bit. I object to pirates as sons-inlaw. waive the we waive that point ; we do not press it, we look over it.

General. (Aside.) Hah! an idea! (Aloud.) And do you meau to say that you would deliberately rob me of these the sole remainiug props of my old age, and leave me to go through the remaindere $\mathbb{0}^{f}$ life unfriended, unprotected, and alone?

Kine Weneral. Stop! I thiuk I sce where we are getting con-
hing. Well, yes; that's the idea.
Cieneral. Tell me, have you ever known what it is to be an arphan?

All the Pirates. (Dirgusted.) Oh, dash it alll
King. Here we are again!
Grieral. I ask you, Have you ever known what it in to be an orphan?

King. (Sighing.) Often.
General. Yea, orpham. Have you ever known what it is to be one?

King. I ary, often.
All. (Disgusted.) Often! often! often I (Turning avay.)
General. I don't think we quite umlerstand one another. I ask you, Have you ever known what it is to be au orphan? and you say "Orphan." As I muderstand you, you are merely repeating the word "orphan " to show that you understand me.
King. I didn't repeat the word "often."
General. Pardon me; you did indeed.
King. 1 only repeated it once.
General. True, but you repeated it.
King. But not often.
General. Stop! I think I sce where we are getting con-
sed. When you said "orphan" disl you mean "orphan," a person who has lost his parents, or "often," frequently?

King. Oh, I leg your parton 1 " see you mean frequently.
General. Ah, you said " often" frequently.
King. No, only once.
General. Exactly, you said " ofton, frequemly," only onoe

## Finale-Act I.

Mabel, Kate, Edith, Frederic, Samuel, King, Major-General, Ruth, \& Chorus.














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Fred.
Pirates.


Fred., Samuel, King, Major-General, \& Pirates.



Mabel with ist Sop.



(Girls and General go up rockis I. Group while Pirates indulge in a wild dunce of delight on stage R. and R. C. The General produces a liritish flug, and the Puate King (on arched rock $R$. (:) produces a bluck finy with skull and cross. borles. Picture.)

## ACTII.

Suenf.-A ruined chaped by moonlight. Aisle C., R., and E., General Stanley discoveted seated R. C. pensively, eurrouaded divided by pillars and arches; ruined Gothis windows at back. by his daughters.

No. I. INTRODUCTION. SOLO-Mabel \& Chorus


fo. ther, why leave your bed
At thin wan-time. Iy hour? When hap.py day-light is dead,
And



## (Fred enters R. U. E. and down C.)

Mabel. Oh, Frederic, cannot you reconcile it with your conecience to say something that will relieve my father's sorrow?

Fred. I will try, dear Mabel, but why dues he sit, night after night, in this draughty old ruin?

General. Why do I sit here? To escape from the pirates' clutches I described myself as an orphan, and I am vo orphan. I came here to humble myself before the tombs of my ancestors, and to implore their pardon for the disgrace 1 have hrought upon thers.
Fred. But you forget, sir. You only bought the property a year ago, and the stucco on your baronial castle is scarccly dry. General. Frederic, in this chapel are ancestors ; you cannot deny that. I don't know whose ancestors they were, but I know whose ancestors they are, and I shulder to think that their descendant by purchase (if I may so describe myself) should
have brought disgrace upou what I arve oo ounor was an un stained escutcheon.
Fred. Be comforted. Had you not acted as you did, them reckless men would assuredly have called in the uenrest clergyman, and have married your large fanily on the spot.
General. I thank you for your proflered solace, but it is unavailing. At what time docs your expedition mareh again these scoundrels?
Fren. At cleven, and before midnight I hope to have atoned for my involuntary association with thicse pestilent scourges by swecping them from the face of the carth.-And then, my Mabel. you will be mine!
Generai.. Are your devoted followers at hand?
Fred. They are; thicy only wait my orders.
(Enter Police, marching in single file from L., 2d E., and file in line, facing audience.)

No. 2. RECITATIVE-Frederic \& Major-General.


Mo. 5. CHORLS—With Solos for Mabel. Edith. \& Sergeant.







Cal. cu - la - ted men to cheer
Who are going to meet their fate In a

ra, ta-ran - ta $=\mathrm{ra}$,
Ta-ran-ta - ra,

P4-C







(MABEL toars herself from FKED, and oxits $R$., jollowed by her siders, consoling hor. The General and others follow the
Pblice off $L$. Frederio remaine alono.)
No. 4
RECITATIVE \& TRIO.







 - dox, lla, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha! That cu-rious pa . ra - dox, Ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha: That
 dox, Ha, ha, ha, ha, hi, ha, ha, ha! That ul lous pa - ra . dox, lla, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, That : , dox, lia, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha! That cu-rions pa

(Al. throw themsetres back on seats, achausted with laughing.)
Ered. Upon my word, this is most curions,
Most absurdly whimsical. Five and a quarter !
No one would think it to luok at me.
Ruti. You are glad now, I'll be bounl, that you spared us. You would never have forgiven yourself when you discovered that you had killed two of your comrades.

Fred. Dy eomrades?
Kres. I'm afraid you don't appreciate the delicaey of your position. You were apprentied to us-

Fred. Until I reached my twenty-first year.
King. No, until you reached your twenty-first birthday (producing document), aud, going by birthdays, you are as yet only five and a puartar.

Freb. You don't mean to say you are going to hold me to chat?

Kivg. No, we merely remind you of the fact, and leave the rest to your sense of duty.

Fred. (Wildly.) Don't put it on that footing. As I was merciful to you just now, be mercitus to me. I implore you not to insist on the letter of your bond just as the cup of happiness is at my lips.

Rutn. We insist on nothing. We content uurselves with pointing out to you your daty.

Fred. Well, you have appealed to my sense of duty, and my duty is only too clear. I abhor your infamous calling, I shudder
at the thought that I have ever heen mixed up with it, sut dors is before all. At any cost, I will do my duty.

King. Bravely spoken! Come, you are one of us onve more.
Fred. Lead on, I follow! (Suddenly.) Oh, horror!
King and Rutil. What is the matter?
Fred. Ought I to tell you? Nol nol I cannot do it ; and yet, as one of your hand-

King. Speak out, I charge you, by that sense of consorest
tiousness to which we have never yet appealed in vain.
Fred. General Stanley, the father of my Mabel-
King and Rutif. Yes! yes!
Fred. He escaped from you on the piea that he was an orphan?

King. He did.
Fred. It breaks my heart to betray the honored rathe of the girl I adore, hot as your apprentice I have no alteruative
It is my duty to tell you that General Stanley is no orphan.
King and Rutir. What?
Fred. More than that, he never was one!
King. An I to understand that to save his contemptible life he dared to practise on our credulous simplicity? (FkED nods as he weeps.) Our rovenge shall be swift and terrible. We will go and collect our band and attack Tremorden Castle this very might.

Fred. But-
King. Not a word! he is doomed!

No. 6. TRI0-Ruth, Frederic, \& King.

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(Sxaunt Lisa and Rutti. Fred chrows himealf on a who Lu C in blank despair. Enter Marelu)

No. 7. RECITATIVE \& DUET-Mabel \& Frederic.



No 8.
DUET-Mabel \& Frederic







(Enter Police from R. I. E., marching in single file.)




Mancl. Sergeant, appruach. Young Frederie was to have led you to death and glory.
A1.1. That is not a pleseant way of putting it.
Mabil. No matter. He will not so lead you, for he has allied himselt onee more with his ohl aszociates.

Ara.. He has acted shamefully!
Mabel. You speak falsuly; you know nothing about it. He h.tis acted nobly!

A 1.5 . He has acted nobly !
Mabet. Dearly as I loved him before, his heroic sacrifice on prived of that fiberty which is so dear to all, but we should have his seuse of duty has endeared him to me tenfold ; but if it was thought of that befire we jomed the firee. his duty to constitute himself my foe, it is likewize my duty th Ait, We should. retard him in that light. He has done his duty; I will do
(Ecit Mabei, R. I. E.)

Not. Very well
Serrifast. Thi- is perplexing.
Al.i. We cunnot unlerstand it at all.
Sircicaser. Still, if he is actuated by a seluse of duty--
Ans. That makes a difference, of course. At the same tima we repeat we camom underand it.
Sergeans. No matter. Our course ia clear; we must du our beat to capture theoc pirates alone. It is most distre-aing to us to be the agent: whereby our erring fellow-creatures are de

Sergeant. It is too late now.
Ale. It is.



No. 11. SOLO-Sergeant, \& Chorus of Pirates \& Police.


(Police conceal thenselves in aisle L. As they do so the Firates, low C. They enter outiously, and come down stage on tijtue swith Ruti and Frederic, are seen appearing at ruined win- The King is laden with burglarious mols and pistols, eta eto.)

No 12 SOLO-Samuel, \& Chorus of Pirates.





No. 13. Frederic, King, Major-General, Police, \& Pirates.



No. 14. SONG—Major-General \& Chorus (Pirates \& Police).



(Enter the General's daughters, led by Mabel, all in whize


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\begin{aligned}
& \text { Kina. (Sprangung up.) Porward, my men, and seize that } 30 \\
& \text { veneral there! } \\
& \text { His life is over. }
\end{aligned}
$$




Police.

no one in hiscause a wea - pon wield? Oh, sparehim ! Yes, we arehere, though mi-ther-to con-ceal'd :Oh, rap-ture!
 (A struggle ensues between Pirales and Police, Rutr tackling Sergeant. Eventually the Police are overcome and fall pros-


Lol to our pow-ers pi-ratés quick-ly yeld I Oh, rap-turel



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'(Pirates kneel;' Police stand over them triumphandly.)

(Police, holding Pirates by the collar, take out handkerchiefs and


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(All kneel)




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