

## THE MORRIS DANCE

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MORRIS DANCERS AS DEPICTED IN AN OLD STAINED GLASS WINDOW IN A HOUSE AT BETLEY. STAFFORDSHIRE, ENGLAND

# THE MORRIS DANCE 

 DESCRIPTIONS OF
## ELEVEN DANCES

AS PERFORMED BY

## THE MORRIS-MEN

OF

## ENGLAND

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## NOTATION

Stick Dances: Bean-Setting-Rigs o' Marlow-Shepherd's Hey-Constant Billy.Handkerchief Dances: Country Dances-Bluff King Hal-Blue-EyedStranger. Corner Dances: How D'ye Do-Laudnum Bunches-Trunkles.Morris Off22NOTE-These descriptions are taken by permission from the work of
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## THE MORRIS DANCE

## THE MORRIS STEP

The Morris step is sturdy. It is alike throughout all the dances. The jump in many cases begins and ends a figure.
The letters L and R signify Left and Right foot.
Steps used in 4-time music:
The 4/1 Step


The 4/2 Step


The 4/3 Step


The 4/4 Step


Steps used in 6-time music:

> The 6/1 Step


The 6/2 Step


The 6/3 Step


The $4 / 3$ and $6 / 3$ steps are the same.
In the steps most used the raised foot is thrust forward so far that the forward heel is the length of the dancer's foot in advance of the supporting foot.

In the high step, used chiefly in the figures called "Capers," the forward foot is raised as high as the knee. The Caper step is called in the Notation : High.

## POSITIONS

The Morris set, or side of six, when in position for dancing, stands in the positions as shown hereunder.

The only exception to these is the Ring.
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COLUMN

FRONT

In Column, the dancers stand in two files and all face the same way. This is called in the Notation: Column or Col.

In Front, the dancers face each other in pairs.
This is called in the Notation: Front or Fr.
The dancers in each file stand so far apart that when arms are extended, the hands of each will overlap his neighbour's hands.

The distance between the files varies according to the dance.
In Stick and Handkerchief dances, pairs stand near enough to clap hands or tap sticks with each other.

In Corner dances, the files stand far enough apart to give plenty of room for the necessary movements.

In the Notation the term "Partners" is used to denote the pairs as they stand fronting or abreast:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { Numbers One and Two } \\
& \text { " } \\
& \text { Three " } \\
& \text { " Four } \\
& \text { " Five } \\
&
\end{aligned}
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The term "Opposites" is used. in referring to couples when they must change places, or re-change, as in Corners and Capers:

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\begin{array}{cccc}
\text { Numbers } & \text { One } & \text { and } & \text { Six } \\
" 6 & \text { Two } & \text { " } & \text { Five } \\
" & \text { Three " } & \text { Four }
\end{array}
$$

Number One is the leader of the side and it is his duty to call loudly and clearly the figures: "Chain," "Cross-Over,"" "Back-to-Back," and so forth, and to announce the end of the dance by the call "All in."

In some dances, as "Bean-Setting," the side forms a Ring and many dances end in this formation.

This is marked in the Notation: Ring.

## DOWN-AND-BACK AND UP-AND-BACK

This movement is danced as follows:
The side stands in Column, and starts by advancing for the first two bars, and retiring for the second two bars. Each file advances and retires its own length.

The two bars advancing are made according to the time of the music, either at $4 / 3$ or $6 / 3$ step.

The two bars retiring are made at $4 / 2$ or $6 / 2$ step.
The whole movement is made in eight bars.
In one dance, "Rigs o" Marlow," the second four bars are danced the same way as the first four: but in all the others the Column is reversed at the end of the first four bars.

The two ways of executing the movement are marked in the Notation as follows:

1. When the side is to advance and retire twice, without reversing at the end of bar 4, and is to form Front at the end of bar 8, it is marked in the Notation:

| MUSIC | MOVEMENTS | FORMATION |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A. | Down-and-Back twice, then $j$. <br> forming Fr. | Column <br> Col. to Fr. |

2. When the side is to advance and retire, reversing the positions at the beginning of bar 5 , and in bars 5 to 8 facing the opposite way, then at the end of bar 8, forming Front, it is marked in the Notation :

| MUSiC | movements | Formation |
| :---: | :--- | :--- |
| A. | Down-and-Back Ju. <br> Up-and-Back j. forming Fr. | Column <br> Col. to Fr. |

## THE CHAIN

This movement is completed in eight bars.
To begin the Chain, the side stands in Column.
Numbers One and Two turn outward and go forward in S-shaped double curves, passing the places of Numbers Three and Four and finishing in the places of Numbers Five and Six.

Thus:


Number Three follows the figure of a circle, in the second half of which he is following the first half of Number One's track.

Number Four follows the figure of a circle, in the second half of which he is following the first half of Number Two's track.

Thus:

Numbers Five and Six turn outward and go forward in double curves as Numbers One and Two-passing the places of Numbers Three and Four. Thus:

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& 1 / 5^{5} \quad 6 / 2 /
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Movements in first half of the Chain:


At end of bar 2,
Number Five should be at Number Three's place.
" One should have passed Number Three's place.
" Three should be coming to Number Three's place, so that
" Five passes between Numbers One and Three.
" Six should be at Number Four's place.

* Two should have passed Number Four's place.
" Four should be coming to Number Fours place, so that
" Six passes between Numbers Two and Four.

Positions at end of first half of Chain :


In the second half of the Chain, the same positions are observed. The movements are simply reversed.

Numbers One and Two turn outward and are followed by Numbers Three and Four on the lines of the figure eight.

Numbers One and Two return to original places along the double curves travelled in the first four bars by Numbers Five and Six.

Number Three follows the figure of a circle passing Number Five's place.
Number Four follows the figure of a circle, passing Number Six's place.
Numbers Five and Six turn outward and return to original places along the double curves travelled in the first four bars by Numbers One and Two.


At the end of bar 2,
Number Five should be at Number Three's place.
" One should have passed Number Three's place.
" Three should be coming to Number Three's place, so that
" Five passes between Numbers One and Three.
" Six should be at Number Four's place.
" Two should have passed Number Four's place.
" Four should be coming to Number Four's place, so that
" Six passes between Numbers Two and Four.
At the end of the second half of the Chain, the dancers have returned to to original places.

At the middle and completion of the Chain, all turn inward and face partners as they jump.

This is called in the Notation: Chain.

## THE CROSS-OVER

This is danced in Front formation to eight bars of music as follows:
In the first two bars each dancer crosses over and takes the place of his partner, passing right shoulder to right shoulder.

In bars 3 and 4 all come to the right-about : that is, face inward again.
In bars 5, 6, 7, and 8 all cross over again, bringing the side back to original places, partners facing.

As there are two bars to turn in after crossing over, the dancers should turn slowly and evenly so that the turn is completed just in time for the jump in bars 4 and 8.

This is called in the Notation: Cross-Over.

## BACK-TO-BACK

This movement is completed in eight bars.
In the first four bars partners advance, right shoulder to right shoulder, but not touching, pass one another, move to right, re-pass partners, left shoulder to left shoulder, and come back to original positions moving backward.

Thus:


In the second four bars, partners advance, left shoulder to left shoulder, pass, move to left, re-pass partners, right shoulder to right shoulder, and come back to original positions, moving backward.


This is called in the Notation: Back-to-Back.

## GO-AND-COME

This is a form of the Cross-Over, but made without turning.
It is danced in Front formation, to eight bars of music.
In the first two bars partners cross exactly as in the Cross-Over, right shoulder to right shoulder.

In bars 3 and 4, instead of turning, dance backward to places in the same line on which the Cross-Over was made, right shoulder to right shoulder.

In bars 5 and 6 cross again, but left shoulder to left shoulder, and in bars 7 and 8, dance backward to places in the same line, left shoulder to left shoulder.

This is called in the Notation: Go-and-Come.

## THE RING

In this, partners simply alter positions so that the whole side forms a circle.

It is sometimes used at the finish of a dance.
In Bean-Setting, it occurs at the beginning.
It is called in the Notation: Ring.

## STEPS

Unless instructions are given to the contrary, the step used in bars 1 and 2 of

Chain<br>Cross-Over<br>Back-to-Back<br>Go-and-Come

is always $4 / 3$ or $6 / 3$ according to time, and $4 / 2$ or $6 / 2$ in bars 3 and 4 : likewise, $4 / 3$ or $6 / 3$ in bars 5 and 6 and $4 / 2$ or $6 / 2$ in bars 7 and 8 .

## THE JUMP

The jump is used in two ways.

1. In position. That is, the dancer jumps where he stands without changing front.

This is called in the Notation: Ju.
2. To make a half-turn, half-right or half-left.

This is called in the Notation: $\mathbf{j}$.
Every dancer whose turn it is to execute any movement jumps on the last half-bar before the movement begins.

This applies to the whole side, or to any pair of opposites about to dance a figure. For instance, when the whole side dances Down-and-Back and Up-andBack, on the last half-bar of "Once to Yourself" all jump together-then start the figure.

Also in all figures danced by the whole side in common as in Chain, CrossOver, Back-to-Back, Go-and-Come, all jump together on last half-bar before the figure begins.

In Down-and-Back, Ju., Up-and-Back, j. forming Front, the side goes forward and back for four bars: jumps together on half-bar of bar 4 still facing in the same direction.

That completes Down-and-Back, Ju.
Then all make a complete turn to the right, dance as before in bars 5 to 8 , and on last half-bar of 8 all jump, facing partners.

That completes Up-and-Back, j. forming Front.
The Chain, though it is executed in Column formation, follows upon a figure danced in Front formation. The jump before beginning the Chain, is made Front.

The Cross-Over, Back-to-Back, Go-and-Come, are all danced in Front formation. The whole side jumps in position, Ju., at half-bar, in bars 4 and 8 .

In Bluff King Hal, and Morris Off, there is no Jump at all.

In all Handkerchief and Corner dances, a scarf or handkerchief is carried in each hand.

The movements of the hands in these dances are as follows:
In making the Jump, the hands are thrown above the head.
In Down-and-Back and Up-and-Back, Chain, Cross-Over, Back-to-Back, Go-and-Come, movements of the hands are always the same.

That is: Commencing with the preliminary Jump when the hands are above the head, on the beginning of the first bar, with the first step ( $4 / 3$ or $6 / 3$ ) the hands are swung backward: forward on half-bar: back again on the beginning of bar 2 and forward on half-bar of 2. In bar 3 ( $4 / 2$ or $6 / 2$ step) the hands being already upward and forward-are swung twice in a circle, so that the handkerchiefs are waved in a double circle over the head. At the beginning of bar 4, the hands are lowered straight in line with the body, and at the halfbar of 4 , with the Jump, they are thrown above the head.

These movements of the hands are always the same in every Handkerchief and Corner dance.

In Capers, wherever the $4 / 1$ or $6 / 1$ high step is used, the hands are swung backward on the beginning of the bar-forward and upward on half-bar: and this movement is continued all the time the high step $4 / 1$ or $6 / 1$ is used.

## STICKS

The stick or staff used in Stick dances is about eighteen inches in length. It is sometimes adorned with a bunch of ribbons.

## THE CALL

At the end of some dances the side is instructed to "Call." This means that on the last half-bar all shout "Hey!"

## LENGTH OF DANCES

The Morris-men vary the length of their dances. It is a very simple matter to lengthen or abbreviate them.


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## SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

BEAN-SETTING
The dance begins with the Ring.
The side starts in Column.
To form Ring, Numbers One, Three and Five face out and back.
All dance around in a circle.
Numbers One, Three and Five follow Numbers Six, Four and Two, while Numbers Two, Four and Six follow them.

At the end of the first half of the Ring,

| Number | Two | should | be at | Number | Five's p | lac |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| " | Four | " | , | , | Three's |  |
| " | Six | " | " | " | One's |  |
| " | One | " | " | " | Six's |  |
| " | Three | " | " | " | Four's | * |
| " | Five | " | " | " | Two's |  |

In bar 4, files close in slightly and tap sticks across on half-bar of bar 4.
In the remaining four bars of A music, all return to former positions, following the Ring.

In half-bar of 8, tap sticks again.

## DIBBING

This is the term used in the dance, as it is used in field and garden work, for making a hole with a dib or dibber in the soil.

In dibbing (see 0 in music) all stoop forward, holding the right hands outward with sticks pointing to the ground. Thump the stick firmly and at once lift it again.
B.

Bar 1 Dib all together at beginning and half-bar as shown in music ( 0 )
Bar 2 Remain stooped : at beginning of bar, pairs tap sticks across.
Bar 3 Dibbing as in bar 1.
Bar 4 Beginning, partners tap across: half-bar Number Two taps Number Four.
Bar 5 Beginning, Number Four taps Number Six: half-bar, Number Six taps Number Five.
Bar 6 (9/8 time) Beginning, Number Five taps Number Three: second beat, Number Three taps Number One: third beat, partners tap across as in bar 2 .
In the remaining six bars of B , repeat dibbing and tapping as in the first six bars.

## RIGS O' MARLOW

The following diagram shows how partners tap sticks in this dance:


SHEPHERD'S HEY
In this dance, the sticks are loudly clashed together on the first three beats of bars 1 and 2, and 5 and 6 of $\mathbf{B}$ music (see mark $X$ ).

Partners strike each other's sticks, right, left, right, in the manner of sham fencing.

While the tapping is being done, all stand fast, not dancing.
In bars 3 and 4 and 7 and 8, all dance.
Hand-clapping is sometimes used in place of stick-tapping, according to explanation:
Bar 1 Each dancer claps both hands before him, slaps right knee with right hand, claps both before him.
Bar 2 Each dancer claps both hands before him, slaps left knee with left hand, claps both before him.
Bar 3 Each dancer claps both hands before him, claps both under right knee, both before him, both under left knee.
Bar 4 Each dancer claps both hands front, both hands back, both hands front.

CONSTANT BILLY
Stick-tapping in this dance is done according to the following diagram (see mark $X$ in music) :


COUNTRY GARDENS
In the hand-striking figure in this dance (for hand-strokes, see mark O in B music) there are four movements as follows:
Bar 1 Each dancer strikes both hands together twice. Each with right hand strikes right hand of partner.
Bar 2 Each dancer strikes both hands together twice. Each with left hand strikes left hand of partner.
Bar 3 Each dancer strikes both hands together twice. Each dancer with right hand strikes right hand of partner.

Bar 4 Each dancer throws arms down. Each dancer throws arms over head.
The letters $\mathrm{b}, \mathrm{r}$, and 1 in this diagram signify both, right, and left hands.


BLUFF KING HAL
In this dance the step is $4 / 3$ throughout. It should be danced something after the fashion of "Morris Off"-evenly and quietly.

## HOW D'YE DO

This dance illustrates the method of settling quarrels-by a bout of fisticuffs.

The phrase "How d'ye do, Sir?" is always sung by all the dancers as marked in music B. There is plenty of room for a different sounding of the phrase as expressive of challenge, strife, victory, or defeat.

Opposite pairs advance as shown, shake hands, or square up for the fight according to instructions.

Having joined hands, or squared and paused in the center, the first two pairs return to their places immediately after the pause, making room for the next pair. The last pair (Numbers Three and Four) remain in position, holding hands or squaring up, during the pause in the music, while bars 4 and 5 of B are played.

During these bars all the other dancers stand still.


## NOTATION

## STICK DANCES

BEAN-SETTING



## CONSTANT BILLY

| MUSIC | MOVEMENTS | FORMATION |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Once to yourself. | Partners tap across, last half-bar. | Column |
| A1. | Down-and-Back, Ju. Up-and-Back, j. forming Front. Partners tap at half-bar in bars 4 and 8. | Col. to Front |
| B1. <br> Bars 1 to 4 | Tapping (see page 18). | " |
| Bars 5 to 8 | Half-Chain. Tap on half-bar in bar 8. | Column |
| Bars 9 to 12 | Tapping, as in first 4 bars. | Front |
| Bars 13 to 16 | Complete Chain. Tap on last half-bar. | Column |
| A2. | Chain. Tap at half-bar in bars 4 and 8. | " |
| B2. <br> Bars 1 to 4 | Tapping as before. | Front |
| Bars 5 to 8 | Tapping as before. | " |
| Bars 9 to 16 | Cross-Over. Tap at half-bar in bars 12 and 16. | " |
| A3. <br> Bars 1 to 4 | Tapping as before. | " |
| Bars 5 to 8 | Tapping as before. | " |
| B3. <br> Bars 1 to 8 | Back-to-Back. Tap as in Chain. | " |
| Bars 9 to 12 | Tapping as before. | Front |
| Bars 13 to 16 | Tapping as before: in bar 16 all j . to Col., and tap across on last half-bar, holding sticks as at the beginning. | Column |

## HANDKERCHIEF DANCES

## COUNTRY GARDENS

| MUSIC | movements | FORMATION |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Once to your- | Ju. last half-bar. | Column |
| A1. | Down-and-Back, Ju. Up-and-Back, j. forming Fr. | Col. to Front |
| B1. <br> Bars 1 to 4 | Hand-striking (see page 18). | Front |
| Bars 5 to 8 | Half-Chain. | Column |
| Bars 9 to 12 | Hand-striking. | Front |
| Bars 13 to 16 | Half-Chain. This completes the Chain. | Column |
| C1. | Chain. |  |
| B2. |  |  |
| Bars 1 to 4 | Hand-striking. | Front |
| Bars 5 to 8 | Hand-striking repeated. | " |
| A2. | Cross-Over. | " |
| B3. |  |  |
| Bars 1 to 4 | Hand-striking. | " |
| Bars 5 to 8 | Hand-striking repeated. | " |
| C2. | Back-to-Back. | " |
| B4. | Hand-striking. | " |
| Bars 5 to 7 | Hand-striking repeated. | " |
| Bar 8 | Beat 1, all j. giving Col. formation. Halfbar, all throw up hands and Call. | Column |

## BLUFF KING HAL

| MUSIC | movements | FORMATION |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A. <br> Bars 1 to 4 | Advance slowly, until files are face to face. On half-bar of bar 4, partners nod to one another. | Front |
| Bars 5 to 8 <br> B. | Retire to original position. | " |
| Bars 1 to 4 | Mark time. | " |
| Bars 5 to 8 C. | Advance and nod as before. | " |
| Bars 1 to 4 | Retire. | " |
| Bars 5 to 8 | Mark time. Files link arms in last bar, and remain linked until told to loose arms. | " |
| A. <br> Bars 1 to 4 | Advance as before, nod. | " |
| $\text { Bars } 5 \text { to } 8$ <br> B. | Retire. | " |
| Bars 1 to 4 | Mark time. | " |
| Bars 5 to 8 C. | Advance as before, nod. | " |
| Bars 1 to 4 | Retire. | " |
| Bars 5 to 8 | Loose arms. Files turn very slowly about until they are reversed. | " |
| Bars 1 to 4 | Retire until partners' backs are all but touching. | Front |
| Bars 5 to 8 <br> B. | Advance to original positions. | " |
| Bars 1 to 4 | Mark time. | " |
| Bars 5 to 8 C. | Retire as before. | " |
| Bars 1 to 4 | Advance as before. | " |
| Bars 5 to 8 | Mark time. Link arms in last bar, and remain linked until told to loose arms. | " |
| A. B. | Same movements, arms linked as in preceding A and B. Loose arms at end of B. | " |



| MUSIC | movements | FORMATION |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A. $\left.\begin{array}{c}(8 \text { bars }) \text { and } \mathbf{B} . \\ \text { Bars } 1 \text { to } 4\end{array}\right\}$ | Rings move to right, as single Ring previously, but making double circuit. | Two Rings |
| B. $\left.\begin{array}{l}\text { Bars } 5 \text { to } 8 \\ \text { and } \mathbf{C} . \\ \text { Bars } 1 \text { to } 4\end{array}\right\}$ | Rings move to left, as single Ring previously, nearly double circuit. | ¢ |
| C. <br> Bars 5 to 8 | Rings break up and reform line of 6 as before. | Two Rings to Line |
| A. B. C. | Line mark time, advance, retire, etc., as before, link arms in last bar C. | Line |
| A. B. C. | Line as before, linked. Last 4 bars of $\mathbf{C}$ break into files, in original position in Front, but reversed as before. | Line <br> Front |
| A. B. C. | Files, reversed, mark time, retire, advance, etc., as before. Link arms in last bar of C . | " |
| A. B. C. | Files, reversed, mark time, retire, advance, etc., as before, arms linked. Loose arms, and turn slowly about in last 4 bars of $\mathbf{C}$ forming Front. | " |
| A. B. C. | Mark time, advance, nod, etc., as before. Link arms in last bar of $\mathbf{C}$. | " |
| A. B. C. | Mark time, advance, etc., with linked arms, as before. The dance ends quietly on the last 4 bars, mark time, of $\mathbf{C}$. <br> All in. | * |

## BLUE-EYED STRANGER

| MUSIC | movements | Formation |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Once to your- | Ju. last half-bar. | Columin |
| A1. | Down-and-Back, Ju. | " |
|  | Up-and-Back, j. forming Fr. | Col. to Fr. |
| Bars 1 to 16 | All dance at $4 / 3$ step in place, swinging hands back and forth together in time. Bars 7 and 8 and 15 and 16 to be danced in $4 / 2$ step. | Front |
| A2. |  |  |
| Bars 1 to 8 | Chain. | Column |
| B2. |  |  |
| Bars 1 to 16 | As previously in B1. | Front |
| Bars 1 to 8 | Cross-Over. | " |
| B1. |  |  |
| Bars 1 to 16 | As previously in B1. | " |
| A2.B2.Bars 1 to 16 | Back-to-Back. | " |
|  | As previously in B1. until bar 15. | Fr. to Ring |
|  | All then draw into Ring, throw up hands on lalf-bar of bar 16 and Call. | Ring |
|  | This dance may be shortened by dancing |  |
|  | teen. |  |

## CORNER DANCES

HOW D'YE DO?

| MUSIC | movements | FORMATION |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Once to yourself. | Ju. last half-bar. | Column |
| 1st time | Down-an-Back, Ju. <br> Up-an-Back, j. forming Fr. | Col. to Front |
| B. <br> 1st time | This is the Challenge. | Front |
| Corners Bar 1 | Numbers One and Six advance and shake hands. (See page 19.) |  |
| Bar 2 | Numbers Two and Five the same. | " |
| Bar 3 | Numbers Three and Four the same. | " |
| Bars 4 and 5 <br> A. | Numbers Three and Four pause. | " |
| 2nd time <br> B. | Chain. | Column |
| 2nd time | This is the Fight. | Front |
| Corners | Numbers One and Six advance and square |  |
| Bar 1 | up. |  |
| Bar 2 | Numbers Two and Five the same. | " |
| Bar 3 | Numbers Three and Four the same. | " |
| Bars 4 and 5 <br> A. | Numbers Three and Four pause, as before. | " |
| 3rd time <br> B. | Cross-Over. | " |
| 3rd time | This is the Reconciliation, and goes pre- | " |
| Corners A. | cisely as in B 1st time. |  |
| 4th time | Back to Back. | " |
| B. <br> 4th time Corners | This is Good Fellowship, and goes precisely as in B 1st and 3rd time. | " |
| A2. | Cross-Over. As usual up to bar 7, when all close into Ring: throw up hands, raise right feet on last half-bar and Call. | Ring |

## LAUDNUM BUNCHES

| MUSIC | movements | FORMATION |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Once to yourself | Ju. last half-bar. | Column |
| A. | Ju. last half-bar. | " |
|  | Down-and-Back, Ju. | " |
|  | Up-and-Back, j. forming Fr. | Col. to Front |
| B. |  |  |
| Corners <br> Bars 1, 2 \& 3 | Numbers One and Six advance, at $6 / 3$ step, and cross to each others' places. | Front |
| Bar 4 | Numbers One and Six having now changed corners, turn about, inward at $6 / 3$ step: till they face each other. | " |
| Bars 5 and 6 | Numbers One and Six advance, at $6 / 3$ step, to center, until they are face to face: they do not touch or pass. | " |
| Bars 7 and 8 | Numbers One and Six retire, at $6 / 2$ step, back to corners: and Ju. on half-bar of bar 8 . <br> They have now changed corners. | " |
| B. |  |  |
| Corners 2nd time | Numbers Two and Five change corners precisely as Numbers One and Six in B. | " |
| B. |  |  |
| Centers 3rd time | Numbers Three and Four change places precisely as the others. | " |
|  | Opposites have now all changed places. |  |
| A. <br> Repeat |  |  |
|  | Chain. | Column |
| B. |  |  |
| Repeat | Numbers One and Six change corners as before. | Front |
| 1st time |  |  |



| MUSIC | movements | FORMATION |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| C. <br> Capers <br> 2nd time | Numbers Two and Five change corners precisely as Numbers One and Six in C 1st time. | Front |
| C. <br> Capers <br> 3rd time | Numbers Two and Four change places precisely as the others. | " |
| Repeat C. | Back-to-Back. | " |
| Capers <br> Repeat | Movements as in first Capers. Opposites re-change places. But at the beginning of bar 6 of 3rd repeat, all turn inward, at $6 / 3$ step, form Ring in the center, raise the right feet : and on last beat all throw up hands and Call. <br> All in. | Ring |
|  | TRUNKLES |  |
| Once to yourself. | Ju. last half-bar. | Columı |
| A1. | Down-and-Back, Ju. Up-and-Back, j. forming Fr. | Col. to Fr. |
| B1. <br> Corners <br> 1st time Bars 1 to 3 | Numbers One and Six advance at $4 / 3$ step, beginning with left foot, so that they are face to face at the end of bar 3 . | Front |
| Bar 4 | At beginning, Numbers One and Six stamp right feet. Numbers One and Six raise and swing right feet and on half-bar, strike them together, sidelong, then step quickly backward to places. | " |
| B1. <br> Corners 2nd time | Numbers Two and Five do precisely as Numbers One and Six in B1 1st time. | " |


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| B1. <br> Centers <br> 3rd time <br> C1. | Numbers Three and Four do precisely as Numbers One and Six in B1 1st time. | Front |
| Capers <br> 1st time <br> Bars 1 and 2 | Numbers One and Six advance at $4 / 3$ step, pass in center, right shoulders touching, and get to each other's places. | " |
| Bar 3 | Numbers One and Six turn about, inward and to the right, at $4 / 3$ step. | " |
| Bar 4 | Numbers One and Six advance at $4 / 3$ step until they come face to face, but do not touch or pass. | " |
| Bar 5 | Numbers One and Six retire, at $4 / 2$ step, to opposite corners. | " |
| Bar 6 | Beginning, Numbers One and Six reach opposite corners. Half-bar, Numbers One and Six Ju. <br> Numbers One and Six have now changed corners. | " |
| C1. |  |  |
| Capers 2nd time C1. | Numbers Two and Five change corners, as Numbers One and Six in C 1st time. | " |
| Capers 3rd time A1. | Numbers Three and Four change places as Numbers One and Six in C 1st time. | " |
| Repeat B1. | Chain. | Column |
| Repeat <br> 3 times | As before, but start with right foot so that, in bar. 4, they stamp and strike together the left feet. | Front |
| C1. |  |  |
| Repeat <br> 3 times | As before, all change places again, returning to original places. | " |
| A2. | Cross-Over. | " |
| B2. |  |  |
| 3 times | As in B1. Pairs start with left feet, and stamp and strike right feet in bar 4. | " |


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| C2. <br> Capers <br> 3 times Slower except in last two bars, played in original time. | As in C 1 , except that pairs, in changing places, step higher to the slower music, also in the last 2 bars of normal time. The High Step is to be reserved for the Slow Capers in C3, and repeat. | Front |
| A2. <br> Repeat | Back-to-Back. | " |
| B2. <br> Repeat 3 times | As in B1, repeat, pairs start with right feet so that, in bar 4, they stamp and strike the left feet. | " |
| $\mathrm{C} 2 .$ <br> Repeat 3 times Capers | As in C2, pairs re-change. | " |
| Slower <br> A3. | Cross-Over. | ، |
| B3. <br> 3 times | As in B1 and B2. Pairs start with left feet, and stamp and strike right feet. | " |
| Capers <br> 3 times | As in C 1 , pairs change places. | " |
| Bars 1, 2, 3, 4, in each repetition (very slow) | In these the step is 4/1 and High. | " |
| Bars 5 and 6 in each repetition (presto) <br> A3. <br> Repeat | In these the pairs retire, after meeting in center, at $4 / 2$ step, lifting the feet high. The greater the contrast between these two quick bars and the preceding slow ones, the better the effect. <br> Back-to-Back. | " |


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| B3. <br> Repeat <br> 3 times | As in B1 and B2, repeat, pairs start with <br> right feet, and stamp and strike left feet <br> in bar 4. | Front |
| C3. <br> Capers <br> Very slow <br> Repeat <br> 3 times | As in C3, pairs re-change to original places. <br> At the beginning of bar 5, in final repe- <br> tition of the music, all draw together into <br> Ring, throw hands above heads and Call. | Fr. to Ring |
| Ring |  |  |

## MORRIS OFF

This, as the name denotes, is the tune to which the dancers step as they leave the scene.

Its execution is very simple, and there is no limit to the number of times the music may be played. The leader may dance back and forth in a serpentine track, round and round, till finally they wind from the scene.

The step is $4 / 3$ throughout, but with a difference. It is more of a plod, with less stamping and much less lifting of the feet.

After "Once to Yourself," the side marks time for 5 bars, and makes a complete right turn in bars 7 and 8.

Then the leader, with Numbers Three and Five behind him, starts forward, Numbers Two, Four and Six marking time.

As Number Five draws level with Number Two, he falls in behind, and Numbers Four and Six in order after him.

In every repetition of bars 7 and 8 , all make a complete right turn, waving scarfs in circles above the heads four times.

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