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## THE COSTER'S SERENADE.

WORDS BY ALBERT CHEVALIER.

MUSIC BY JOHN CROOK.







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You ain't forgotten yet that night in May, Down at the Welsh 'Arp, which is 'Endon way, You fancied winkles and a pot of tea, "Four 'alf" I murmured's "good enough for me." "Give me a word of 'ope that I may win"-You prods me gently with the winkle pin – We was as 'appy as could be that day Down at the Welsh 'Arp, which is 'Endon way.

Chorus. Oh 'Arriet I'm waiting, waiting for you my dear, Oh 'Arriet I'm waiting, waiting alone out here; When that moon shall cease to shine, False will be this 'eart of mine, I'm bound to go on lovin' yer my dear; D'ye 'ear?

> You ain't forgotten 'ow we drove that day Down to the Welsh 'Arp, in my donkey shay Folks with a "chy-ike" shouted 'ain't they smart?' You looked a queen, me every inch a Bart. Seemed that the moke was saying "do me proud" Mine is the nobbiest turn-out in the crowd; Me in my "pearlies" felt a toff that day, Down at the Welsh 'Arp, which is 'Endon way. Oh 'Arriet, &c.

Eight months ago and thing's is still the same, You're known about 'ere by your maiden name, I'm getting cnivied by my pals cos why? Nightly I warbles 'ere for your reply. Summer 'as gone, and it's a freezin' now, Still love's a burnin' in my 'eart I vow; Just as it did that 'appy night in May Down at the Welsh Arp, which is 'Endon way.

Oh 'Arriet, &c.

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## ALBERT CHEVALIER'S HUMOROUS SONG CELEBRATED

"The Coster's Serenade." "The Coster's Courtship." "Our 'Armonic Club." "Funny Without being Vulgar." "The Cockney Tragedian." "Tink-a-Tin," Burlesque Chanson. "Yours, Etc." "Peculiar."

"The Nasty Way 'E'Sez it "Wot Cher! or Knocked 'em in the Old Kent R "The Waxwork Show." "Sich a Nice Man too." "The Everflowing Brook." "In the Good Old Days." "The Dotty Poet." "A Mistake."

Copies of the above Songs may be had of all Musicsellers, price Two Shillings each, net; direct from the Publishers, REYNOLDS & Co., 13, Berners Street, London, W.

## **OPINIONS.** SOME PRESS

The Era says :- " The coster in love, the coster with a grievance, and the coster hilarious are three phases of a character that Mr. Chevalier impersonates as if to the manner born. 'Oh, 'Arriett' touches a minor key, and is almost pathetic; in the protestation 'It's not exactly what he says, but the nasty way 'e sez it' runs a vein of sarcastic humour which is never strained; but 'Wot Cher! or, Knock'd 'em in the Old Kent Road' enables Mr. Chevalier to let himself go, and his wonderful exit with a sort of quick double shuffle puts the finishing touches to a pronounced success."

"Mr. Albert Chevalier, the Minstrel of the Coster, gives his now extremely popular ditties in such a truly artistic and highly humorous manner as to secure the most enthusiastic recalls of the evening.'

"His 'Coster's Serenade' is as clever as anything we have heard for years on the music hall stage."

The Stage says :-- " ' The Coster's Serenade' is a gem of comedy in its way, and 'lt's the nasty way 'e sez it,' runs very close.

The Star says :--- "There is one feature in the Pavilion programme which is still more artistic, and that is the singing of Mr. Albert Chevalier, whose 'Coster's Serenade' belongs to that order of burlesque which touches closely on the serious. It is real art, and what more can one say ?'

"The success of these songs is immense. They have already become legendary. The mixture of the ludicrous and the pathetic, of vulgarity and simple, natural affection in this 'Coster's Serenade' is inexpressibly piquant. It is a masterpiece in its way. Credit must be given to the musician, too; the strange 'crooning' air, with its touch of Spanish-gipsy melody, being a separate ecstasy."

The Weekly Dispatch says :-- "Undoubtedly, th the best turn in the bill is Mr. Chevalier, a indeed will not be found anywhere. The coster 'Wot Cher !'—the latest of the series—promises tc successful as the 'Coster's Serenade' and the Way 'E Sez it,' both of which were also given, all being enthusiastically received." "Mr. Albert Chevalier's new song, 'Wot Cher

sure to catch on."

The Bird o' Freedom says :- "Not the least pe of the comic songs of the day are the humorous ( of Mr. Albert Chevalier, who composes a melo quaint as his words are humorous. 'The Coster's ( ship' is simply immense, and 'The Cockney Trage is also extremely funny."

The New York Herald says :- "Without any inv intention, I must single out Mr. Albert Chevalie special praise; his 'Coster's Serenade' is one c most perfect specimens of comic song I have hear some time.'

London says :- " The best items in the programm the truly excellent songs of Mr. Albert Chevalier. sentimental 'Coster's Serenade,' with its pretty ai well written words, is one of the best songs I have he

The Topical Times says :--- "Albert Chevalier his wonderful 'Coster's Serenade,' and in the same i table way, a new song of the same type called, Cher! or, Knock'd 'em in the Old Kent Road.'"

Trade and Finance says :--- "When all was so gc would be invidious to particularise, but I must go ( my way to mention Mr. Chevalier's screamingly 1 Whitechapel courtship song—quite a little idyll, b way—outside of its humorous character."

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