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Music by Sir Arthur Seymour Sullivan Book & Lyrics by William Schwenck Gilbert

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# The Argument

#### Act I

# The Piazetta, Venice (Date, 1750)

The two Gondoliers, Marco and Giuseppe, are so handsome and have such winning ways that they have completely turned the heads of the pretty contadine. Marco and Giuseppe are nonplussed as to whom to choose as their brides. They decide to solve the problem by allowing themselves to be blindfolded, whilst the contadine and their superfluous gondolier admirers dance round Marco and Giuseppe. In the ensuing game Marco catches Gianetta, and Giuseppe, Tessa. The remaining contadine accept their fate and pair off with the previously ignored gondolieri. They all run off merrily to get married.

As they disappear a gondola stops before the steps of the Piazetta. From it emerge the Duke and Duchess of Plaza Toro, their daughter Casilda and their suite, consisting of "His Grace's private drum," Luiz. They are dressed as befits their noble station, but their clothes are a little the worse for wear. They have brought their daughter Casilda from Spain. The Duke demands an audience with Don Alhambra, the Grand Inquisitor.

While Luiz is on the errand the Duke reveals to Casilda that when she was a six-monthold babe she was married by proxy to the infant son of the wealthy King of Barataria. The King of Barataria subsequently became a Wesleyan Methodist of a most bigoted and persecuting type. The Grand Inquisitor, determined that such an innovation should not be perpetuated in Barataria, stole the youthful heir to the throne and conveyed him to Venice.

The Barataria King and his Court were all killed in an insurrection. Casilda, therefore, is now Queen of Barataria. But the whereabouts of the new King is not definitely known. Casilda, unfortunately, is in love with someone else (her father's "private drum" Luiz), and they are both despondent at the sad thought of what the future must bring.

Don Alhambra, the Grand Inquisitor, who now approaches and is introduced to Casilda, explains that when he stole the youthful Prince of Barataria, he brought him to Venice and placed him in the family of a highly respectable Gondolier, who had a son of the same age. The Gondolier, through a fondness for drinking, muddled up the two children, then died. When the Inquisitor went to fetch the Royal Child he found it impossible to tell which was which. This news is received rather philosophically. The only person who can possibly tell is the foster mother of the Prince, Inez (who is Luiz's mother). Luiz is sent to fetch her.

Giuseppe and Marco now return newly wed with their wives. Don Alhambra (whom at first they mistake for an undertaker) informs them that either Giuseppe or Marco is the King of Barataria, and that until the mystery is unravelled they must take up the reins of government as one individual. They may take all their friends with them-all, that is, except the ladies, who must stay behind. This is rather a blow, but they are assured that the separation will be only for a short period. A boat is then brought, and the Gondoliers clamber aboard with Giuseppe and Marco, whilst the contadine wave a tearful farewell.

#### Act II

#### A Pavilion in the Court of Barataria (Three Months Later)

Both Marco and Giuseppe, when they were Gondoliers, had ideas on Republican government, and they have reorganized the state on their idealistic principles. The result is somewhat chaotic, but they seem to enjoy it, and as the act opens they are seen cleaning the royal halls. If they want anything done they have to do it themselves! In a delightful little song, "Of happiness the very pith," Giuseppe outlines his day's work as a monarch about the palace. Only one thing is missing - they feel it is dull without female society.

Scarcely have they confessed the fact when the contadine run in, led by Fiametta and Vittoria. Curiosity is the cause of the invasion, though they know they were strictly forbidden to come. They are all very excited. Tessa and Gianetta are anxious to know if their husbands have anyone to mend the royal socks, and if it is known yet which of them is to be queen.

In honor of their arrival Giuseppe and Marco announce a grand banquet and dance. In the middle of a brilliant cachucha there is an unexpected interruption. Don Alhambra enters. He is astonished at the scene, and tries, by quoting an example, to explain where their theories of government are wrong.

He announces the arrival of Casilda. One of them, he says, Marco or Giuseppe (whichever is the real King of Barataria), is married to the beautiful Casilda, and is, of course, an unintentional bigamist. Poor Tessa and Gianetta are very upset. By the light of this new exposure, one of them is married and one of them is not. But they cannot tell which it is. They burst into tears.

Meanwhile Casilda is afraid that she will never learn to love her husband. The Duchess is firm. "I loved your father," she says, and proceeds to explain how she married and "tamed" him. The Duke has turned his social prestige to account and has become a limited company. His daughter feels that there is hope that when the King sees what a shady family he has married into he will refuse to recognize the alliance. Both the Duke and the Duchess repudiate the statement that their transactions are shady in a delightful duet, "To help unhappy commoners".

Marco and Giuseppe explain the state of the country and the attitude of their subjects towards them. The Duke, in the famous Gavotte, "I am a courtier," instructs them on the correct demeanor of a king, which they try, very awkwardly, to adopt. Marco and Giuseppe are tactfully left alone with Casilda, but Gianetta and Tessa come in, and they all discuss the highly complicated problem of exactly who is married and who is not.

They are interrupted by Don Alhambra, who enters, accompanied by the Duke and Duchess and all the court of Barataria. Inez, the Foster-mother of the Prince, has been found. She alone can unravel the mystery. Inez is brought forward. She confesses that when she took care of the royal prince, and there was an attempt to steal the child, she substituted her own little boy. The traitorous bands never knew the difference, and the child she slyly called her "son" is none other than the King of Barataria.

Luiz is, therefore, the King. Casilda and Luiz are reunited, and everything ends happily, much to the secret relief of Marco and Giuseppe.

# The Gondoliers

#### Act I

The Piazzetta, Venice Date: 1750

#### Act II

Pavilion in the Palace of Barataria An interval of three months has elapsed between Acts I and II.

There will be one 15 minute intermission.

The use of recording devices and/or photography equipment is strictly prohibited in the theater during the performance. Please turn off all electronic pagers, beepers, cell phones, alarms and watches.

#### Musical Numbers

#### Act I

Overture	
List and learn (Opening Chorus and Solos)	Contadine and Gondoliers

- 2. From the sunny Spanish shore (Solos and Quartet) Duke, Duchess, Casilda, and Luiz
- In enterprise of martial kind (Solo and Quartet) Duke, Duchess, Casilda, and Luiz
- O rapture, when alone together (Recitative and Duet) Casilda and Luiz There was a time (Duet) Luiz and Casilda
- 6. I stole the Prince (Solo and Quartet)

22. Here is a case unprecedented (Finale of Act II)

Don Alhambra, Casilda, Duchess, Luiz and Duke Casilda and Don Alhambra

Ensemble

- 7. But, bless my heart (Recitative) 8. Try we life-long (Quintet) Casilda, Duchess, Luiz, Duke, and Don Alhambra
- 9. Bridegroom and bride (Chorus and Solo)
- Contadine, Gondoliers, and Tessa 10. Kind sir, you cannot have the heart (Finale of Act 1) Ensemble

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## Act II

11. Of happiness the very pith (Opening C	horus and Solos) Men, Marco, and Giuseppe
12. Rising early in the morning (Solo and	Chorus) Giuseppe and Men
13. Take a pair of sparkling eyes (Solo)	Marco
14. Here we are, at the risk (Scena)	Contadine and Gondoliers
15. Dance a cachucha (Chorus and Dance	Contadine and Gondoliers
16. There lived a King (Solo and Trio)	Don Alhambra, Marco, and Giuseppe
17. In a contemplative fashion (Quartet)	Gianetta, Tessa, Marco, and Giuseppe
18. With ducal pomp (Chorus and Solos)	Men, Duke, and Duchess
19. On the day when I was wedded (Solo)	Duchess
20. To help unhappy commoners (Recitative	ve and Duet) Duke and Duchess
21. I am a courtier (Quintet and Gavotte)	Duke, Marco, Giuseppe, Casilda, and Duchess

# The Cast

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# The Orchestra

Violin I	Yvonne Davila
	Nori Kalman
	Erin Vanderpan
Violin II	Eve Bertrand
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	Lola Yde
Viola	Steve Hall
	Kelly Nelson
Cello	Phila Poff
	Laurie Riss
Bass	August Jirovec
Flute I	Betty Bielefeld
Flute II	April Hulsey
Clarinet I	Robert Taylor
Clarinet II	Macy Shubak
Oboe	Anna Nekola
Bassoon	Carol Rosing
Trumpet I	Chris Forbes
Tourses at II	Miles Counts

Trumpet I Chris Forbes
Trumpet II Mike Geurts
French Horn I Kia Karlen
French Horn II Brad Sinner
Trombone I Sam Zelinka
Trombone II Brian Whitty

Percussion Zac Schroeder



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# Notes from the Stage Director / Choreographer

My first experience with *The Gondoliers* was in 1976 when I performed the role of Don Alhambra Del Bolero. However, my memories are somewhat limited. As a favor to the director, I assumed the role at the last minute. I learned Don Alhambra overnight, had only two rehearsals, and sang just two performances! To my delight I am now able to direct this production and relish the many beauties of this wonderful work. Written at the height of their powers, W.S. Gilbert and Sir Arthur Sullivan created an outstanding piece of music theatre that literally overflows its borders providing numerous opportunities for nine principal characters. It gives me great pleasure to make my Madison Savoyards debut with this production, my first local engagement outside the auspices of UW-Madison.

- William Farlow





## Notes from the Music Director

The Gondoliers is unmistakably "Gilbert and Sullivan," with its stock palette of characters and voice parts, its patter songs, its marvelous choral writing, and its unfailing wit. It is also one of Sullivan's richest musical scores, his last truly successful collaboration with Gilbert. His extended musical scenes are particularly worthy of note. The first act finale comes straight out of the Italian opera tradition of Rossini and Donizetti, closing with a slow, moment-in-time section ("Now, Marco dear") followed by a fast piece layering chorus and principals ("Then away we go to an island fair"). The Gondoliers also opens with the largest stretch of uninterrupted music in any of the operettas: around twenty-four minutes. Sullivan moves from scene to scene with virtuoso compositional ease, giving the whole sequence a natural, organic musical flow.

Gilbert and Sullivan's gentle nods toward local color are particularly evocative as well. The finale of the first act, "Then away we go," is the only discernable barcarole—the traditional song of the gondoliers. The flavor of Venice, however, imbues other parts of the act: the short scene in Act I, "Buon' giorno, signorine," entirely in Italian, evokes the sun-drenched languor of the canals of Venice. Act II, the setting having shifted to Spain, features a rousing cachucha—an Andalusian dance related to the fandango.

So, sit back and enjoy some of the most beautiful and exciting music of the Gilbert and Sullivan canon!

- David Rentz

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William Farlow (Stage Director / Choreographer) is Associate Professor of Music and Opera Director at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He has over two hundred productions to his credit. His career has taken him to Scotland, Mexico, and Canada, as well as throughout the United States, including New York City, Chicago, Memphis, and Fort Worth. He has directed productions for the Lyric Opera of Chicago, Los Angeles Opera, and the Canadian Opera, and has worked with such artists as Placido Domingo, Kiri Te Kanawa, Carlo Maria Giulini, and David Hockney. As a singer Mr. Farlow has performed major roles in La Cenerentola, La belle Hélène, and Così fan tutte, as well as principal roles in nine Gilbert and Sullivan operas. He has choreographed national touring productions of The Merry Widow and Naughty Marietta for the Eastern Opera Company. As a stage director, Mr. Farlow's repertoire ranges from Handel to Schoenberg and Mozart to Ravel. His credits include major productions of Tristan und Isolde for the Pittsburgh Opera, Turandot for the Lyric Opera of Chicago, and Salome for the Los Angeles Opera. Most recently he has directed the Florentine Opera's The Barber of Seville and The Mikado for the Lyric Opera of Kansas City. He was invited to hear a panel at Opera America's Young Singers Workshop in Chicago in March 2001, and is a regular contributor of articles to the Perspectives series in Opera America. In July of 2001, Mr. Farlow directed the world premiere of The Children of the Keweenaw for Michigan's Pine Mountain Music Festival. Recent productions include a double bill of the Mahagonny Songspiel and Trouble in Tahiti for the University of Kansas Opera, Doctor Miracle for the Florentine Opera Company. Last summer he returned to the Des Moines Metro Opera for a production of Salome for his twenty-fifth anniversary season with the company. Recent engagements include LaBohème for the Kalamazoo Symphony, and Turandot for the Pensacola Opera. In April of 2004 Mr. Farlow will direct a production of Tosca for the Midland Symphony. Mr. Farlow has a Bachelor of Music in Theory and Composition from the University of Texas-El Paso and a Master of Music in Opera from the University of Texas-Austin.

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The Madison Savoyards invites you to return to Music Hall for the University Opera season directed by William Farlow and featuring many in the cast of *The Gondoliers*. The scheduled operas are Verdi's *Falstaff*, Mozart's *Cosi fan tutte*, and Peter Brooks's *The Tragedy of Carmen*. John Kruse (Don Alhambra) first sang with the Madison Savoyards in the same role in the 1985 production of *The Gondoliers*. He has since taken the bass roles in 10 other operettas, usually as the villain or the father of the tenor. Other productions include *Fiddler on the Roof, The Magician's Nephew, Pinocchio, Amahl and the Night Visitors*, and *Lost in the Stars*. He is a long-time member of the Savoyards Board, a retired Methodist pastor and the husband of Ginny Moore Kruse.

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## Members of the Chorus

Laura Bernstein is a student at UW-Madison in Anthropology and Chinese. She played Bilbo Baggins for the Marshall Community Theater last summer.

Fiona Cahill saw her first G & S show when she was five, and loved it. She is now in seventh grade at Hamilton Middle School. This is her first Savoyards production.

Melanie Cain is a Luther College graduate originally from Cornell, Iowa.

This fall she is entering the DMA program at UW-Madison where she played several roles with University Opera while pursuing her MM degree in Voice.

Thomas Combs, a native of Florida, studies with Paul Rowe at UW-Madison, where he regularly appears with University Opera.

Anna Farkas is home-schooled and has appeared in two previous Savoyards productions.

Caryl Farkas, a life-long G & S fan, is a Christian Science practitioner and is making her debut with her daughter in this production. She is a member of the Savoyards' Board.

Jenni Fluckiger is in her third Savoyards production. She is a claims tester for WPS and is busy planning her August wedding.

Michael Gorman, an electrical engineer by day, is in his second Savoyards production.

Dianne Graham has performed with Savoyards for the past five years, as well as with several theater groups in and around Madison.

Neil Graupner is in the CTM Summer Drama School and will enter sixth grade at Jefferson Middle School this fall. He has appeared in HMS Pinafore and Iolanthe. He plans to continue working with The Savoyards because it is such a wonderful experience.

Karen Guerten is a Madison native in her second Savoyards production. She enjoys being part of the magic of theater and sharing it with others. Scott D. Hurlbert is Madison Savoyards' Pooh Bah (Lord High Everything) and has appeared on stage since 1993. He is Production Coordinator for The Gondoliers and a member of the Savoyards Board.

Amy Kleist works behind the scenes building sets for UW-Madison Theater during the day and rehearses with Savoyards at night. She will be a UW-Madison senior in Music and Theater this fall.

Jeanette Kosorok is in her fist Savoyards show. She is in the fifth grade at the Core Knowledge Charter School in Verona.

Nathalie McFadden, a seventh grader at Eagle School, has been in several CTM productions before performing with Savoyards this summer.

Elizabeth Nicholson tends to live life in a "musical" and being in The Gondoliers has simply allowed her to do so without all of the strange looks.

Hona Pinzke is active in Madison area theater, and with The Savoyards since 1994 for which she is Treasurer of the Board. She is Assistant Production Coordinator for The Gondoliers.

Dan Smith has been with The Savoyards for ten years, six as a percussionist in the pit and four on stage.

Marshall Smith is an East High School graduate who has joined his father for five Savoyards shows. He will enter UW-Platteville this fall to study criminal justice.

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## **Production Staff Profiles**

Shannon Becker (Scenic Artist), a native Madisonian, is pleased to be painting her first show for Savoyards. She attended MATC downtown and has been doing interior design and painting for the past five years. Shannon is a self-taught artist and has been a scenic artist for five other Madison theater productions. In her non-theatrical life, Shannon has been manager of Burnie's Rock Shop where she has been the bookkeeper for the past three years.

Tracy Doreen Dietzel (Lead Scenic Artist), a freelance visual and performing artist, earned her MFA (Painting) in Memphis and her MA (Book Arts) and MFA (Interdisciplinary Arts) at UW-Madison. This is Tracy's eighth production painting for The Madison Savoyards, and she loves working with this great painting and tech crew. Tracy was guest scenic artists for the University Theater's *The Mikado*. Tracy teaches design and drawing courses at Edgewood College, and she also hosts the weekly program "WorldBook of Records" for WORT. One of her miniature artists' books is in the exhibition "Cake Mix" currently at the John Michael Kohler Arts Center in Sheboygan.

Phoebe Hefko (Scenic Artist) completed a B.S. in Art at UW-Madison in 1996. Since then, she has had a hand in creating dozens of sets for the Madison theater community.

Scott D. Hurlbert (Production Coordinator) joins The Madison Savoyards for his eighth year as production coordinator and his tenth year performing, starting with Utopia, Limited in 1993. He is also serving his tenth year on the Board of Directors. Scott recognizes and thanks all in the production staff, orchestra, east, board of directors, volunteers, donors, business supporters, and members of the audience who made this production a success. He dedicates his work to Marcus, Marissa, Abby, Abram, Lara, Tessa, Emma, Joram, and David – our future.

Margaret Jones (House Manager) is pleased to work with The Madison Savoyards for the first time. A lover of the arts, Maggie enjoys opportunities to see productions whenever she is able and to support community theater by volunteering. During the day Maggie is a cytotechnologist at the Wisconsin State Laboratory of Hygiene Cytology Department. She thanks her husband David and three sons for their great support. Julie Keller (Properties Coordinator) is an artist from Baraboo. She is part owner of the Blue Sky gallery and active with local theater as an actor, stage manager, costume designer, and director.

Matthew Kerr (Lighting Designer) is a local designer who has worked with many area groups including CTM, Madison Ballet, Kanopy Dance, and the Wisconsin Chamber Orchestra. Matt served as assistant lighting designer for the Utah Shakespeare Festivals' 1999 summer season. Recent designs include This Just In (Next Act Theater, Milwaukee), The Magician's Nephew (CTM), and Marat/Sade (Madison Theatre Guild). He is very excited to be working with The Savoyards.

Fanny Leung (Hair/Wig Designer & Makeup Coordinator) grew up in Hong Kong and came to the U.S. in 1966. She is married with two children. Before moving to Madison she lived in New York City and Washington, D.C. She has been running Fannie's Hair Design on Monroe Street since 1986. Fanny has been involved with theatrical makeup and hair for CTM since 1998, and she is very excited to be with The Madison Savoyards for her fourth year.

Jeff Macheel (Technical Director) returns for his eighth season and tenth show for The Savoyards. A graduate of UW-Madison's Theater Program, he has been doing freelance theater work in Madison for the last ten years. He is currently ATD and in-house lighting designer for the Wisconsin Union Theater. Jeff would like to thank his soon-to-be wife Jenni for being supportive and putting up with his odd hours of work over the years.

Christopher Murray (Light Board Operator) is 15-years-old and attending Monona Grove High School. Chris is currently studying classical and electric guitar with Dan Venne. His career interests include electronics and computers, or something in the music field. Spare time is spent on the guitar and expanding his knowledge of music and computers.

Angelina Paoli (Set Designer) received her BFA in painting from UWMadison and her MFA in sculpture from Washington University, St. Louis.
She has been assisting Frank Schneeberger since 1999, and in 2003, they
formed a design team. This is their first design for Savoyards. Gina continues
her independent study of scenic painting and rendering at UW-Madison and
is currently working on sketches for The Madison Ballet's 2005 production of
Peter Pan.

John Penisten (Master Electrician) has worked with many of the Madison area community theater groups in a variety of technical capacities and has greatly enjoyed working with The Madison Savoyards on yet another wonderful production. He wants to thank his fiancée for her understanding and patience when he abandons her for weeks at a time to work on a show.

Ilona Pinzke (Production Assistant) has been with The Madison Savoyards since 1994 when a friend encouraged her to audition for HMS Pinafore. She debuted at Cousin Hebe and continues to participate in a variety of capacities. She sincerely appreciates the cast and crew as they frolic through the canals of Venice and venture off to Barataria, because everyone's involvement and support keep the magic alive for future Savoyards.

Emily Ranney (Assistant Stage Manager) is excited to be back for her second year with The Savoyards. She was production manager for Millenium Theater's Fantasy Cabaret 2003 and ASM for Regent Drama's You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown. She will be a senior at Madison West High School this fall, and she's preparing to run the college gauntlet. Much love to Juanita and Rachael, my two other "Little Maids from School," and, of course, to Robin, Scott, and Ilona.

Liz Rathke (Scenic Artist) is an illustrator, comic book artist, storyboard artist for animated TV shows, and a mom. This is Liz's sixth season with Savoyards.

Ted Reinke (Rehearsal Accompanist) is in his tenth season with The Savoyards. A graduate of UW-Oshkosh and UW-Madison, he has been a Madison church musician for 29 years, presently serving at First Baptist Church and Midvale Community Lutheran Church. He is accompanist for the Festival Choir of Madison and Madison Opera Showcase. In personal life Ted is full-time dad to 13-year-old twin sons.

Beverly Resch (House Manager) has been associated with theater for many years as an audience member and then as a Madison Civic Center volunteer. For the past several years Beverly has been a house manager for the Madison Repertory Theatre, and she also enjoys working in the historic Music Hall theater. Her introduction to Gilbert & Sullivan has been with the Madison Savoyards through her association with cast and board members.

Alicia Rheal (Scenic Artist) has painted sets and backdrops for theater, opera, ballet, and television since 1989. Originally from the New York Adirondack region, she now calls southwest Wisconsin home.

Frank Schneeberger (Set Designer) received his BFA in technical theatre from St. Ambrose University and his MA from St. Louis University. He has worked as a professional scenic designer for 31 years, designing and building sets for over 300 productions. He is currently employed as a theatre technician with The Madison Civic Center, soon to become the Overture Center for the Performing Arts.

Robin Shearer (Stage Manager) has enjoyed producing and stage managing over 30 shows with various Madison theater companies. This is Robin's third gig with The Savoyards, having stage managed *Trial by Jury / Roses Red* in 2002 and *H.M.S. Pinafore* in 2000. When not stage managing, Robin pursues her culinary passion as chef/owner of Chef Robin's Nest Personal Chef Service.

Robert Taylor (Orchestra Coordinator) has played principal clarinet with The Savoyards for nine seasons. He is currently artistic director and performer with the chamber ensemble con vivo! in Madison. He had many playing opportunities while living in Chicago and Detroit, and since coming to Madison he has played for CTM productions, Wisconsin Chamber Orchestra, and various First Unitarian Society concerts. He has a masters degree from Michigan State University and a bachelors degree from the University of Wyoming.

David Woldseth (Volunteer Coordinator) has done this for more Savoyards productions than he can recall. Offstage credits include directing Executions for Mazomanie R&R and teaching Christian drama at Asbury United Methodist Church. This fall he will be assistant director of Crazy for You for VACT. Onstage David has played many roles, including Charlie Brown in You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown, Kevin O'Higgins in Executions, and Marcellus in Music Man.

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# GLOSSARY (in order of occurrence)

## Act I

- Till then, enjoy your <u>dolce far niente</u> delightful idleness
- With pleasure, nobody <u>contradicente</u> if nobody disagrees
- Ben venuti welcome
- Gondolieri carissimi! Siamo contadine! Dearest gondoliers! We are peasant girls!
- · servitori umilissimi! most humble servants!
- <u>Per chi questi fiori bellissimi?</u> For whom are these most beautiful flowers?
- Per voi, bei signori, O eccellentissimi! For you, dear gentlemen, oh most excellent ones!
- I ciel! Oh, heaven!
- · Buon giorno, cavalleri Good morning, gentlemen
- Siamo gondolieri / poveri gondolieri We are gondoliers / poor gondoliers
- <u>Signorina, io t'amo!</u> / <u>Contadine siamo.</u> Lady, I love you! Peasant girls are we.
- Since we were <u>short-coated</u> wearing children's cloths
- Castilian Hilalgo of <u>95 quarterings</u> Spanish nobleman, with 95 families in his heraldic shield, representing a fabulous array of noble ancestry.
- The <u>halberdiers</u> are mercenary people Guardsmen armed with ax-like spears
- · Married by proxy with someone acting on your behalf, in your absence
- very knowing, overflowing, easygoing <u>Paladin</u> heroic, chivalrous knight of old
- To men of grosser clay of less distinguished and noble blood (clay = body)
- Jimp, isn't she Slender and elegant
- teach him the trade of a <u>Timoneer</u> from French timonier, helmsman or steersman
- lying a corpse on his humble <u>bier</u> the stand on which a corpse or coffin is placed
- · your objections are not insuperable impossible to overcome
- 'tis a glorious thing, <u>I ween</u>, to be a regular Royal Queen! I fancy, or believe
- . She'll bear sway the bell take first prize; win the contest
- . the Chancellor in his peruke powdered wig
- Aristocrat who banks with <u>Coutts</u> long-established London bank, used by royalty
- . the noble lord who cleans the plate silver or gold tableware or ornaments

#### Act II

- Of happiness the very <u>pith</u> in Barataria you may see essence
- This form of government we find / The <u>beau ideal</u> of its kind model of excellence
- we may hold a Royal <u>Levée</u> a court reception or gathering, in morning or early afternoon
- spend an hour in <u>titivating</u> all our Gentlemen-in-Waiting sprucing up, smartening
- · the Garter or the Thistle or the Bath high orders of knighthood
- toddle of in <u>semi-state</u> dressed for ordinary ceremonial occasions; but no crown, etc.
- having passed the Rubicon the point of no return; a river significantly crossed by Caesar
- · Take a pretty little cot cottage
- Dance a cachucha, fandango, bolero lively Spanish dances
- Xeres we'll drink Manzanilla, Montero Xeres is sherry, the other are varieties of it
- <u>Tuck in his tuppenny</u> schoolboy slang used in leapfrog, meaning "duck his head," tuppenny meaning two-penny coin, referring to the head
- · at junket or at jink words for merrymaking
- must be content with <u>toddy</u> drink of distilled spirits, sugar, and hot water.
   Rich people drank wine, while beer and distilled spirits were drunk by the less well-off.
- Lord Chancellors were cheap as <u>sprats</u> small fish, like anchovies or sardines
- up goes the price of <u>shoddy</u> cheap fabric made from reclaimed wool
- I tried to tame your great progenitor father
- with <u>double-shotted guns</u> and <u>colours nailed unto the mast</u> cannons loaded with twice the usual shot (a reckless tactic) and flag nailed so it cannot be lowered in surrender
- <u>MPs baronetted</u>, sham colonels <u>gazetted</u> Members of Parliament raised to the rank of baronet (above knight); The London Gazette listed government appointments
- Quote me as their great <u>double-barrel</u> one with a hyphenated name, signifying status
- I set ... upon the direction of several Companies <u>bubble</u> a delusive scheme
- merrily crying our "<u>premé</u>," "<u>stali</u>" calls used by gondoliers to avoid collisions

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