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The Referee says :—"Albert Chevalier does not allow his songs to wear out their welcome, and he has a couple of new ones from the same tap as the last—one 'Yer can't 'elp likin' 'im'—and you must be hard to please if you can help liking the song either; and the other, the ballad of a peripatetic who has not only tried to tickle the palates of the East-enders, but to administer to all their daily wants besides. He has tried to sell everything, from 'trotters to fine strawberries, fourpence the pot,' and has cried the special editions of the papers with 'Latest Divorce Case, all hot!' There is a good deal of wit and observation of character in these songs, and a more sympathetic interpreter than Chevalier, who not only sings well, but acts well, they could not possibly have. He has glorified an unlovely type, and has introduced him in flowing numbers into our homes, for the sentimental costermonger has, in a manner of speaking, put the nose of the jolly dog of the West-end out of joint. He is the favourite of the amateur vocalists, and Chevalier's latest will promptly be added to their repertory."

THE COSTER'S COURTSHIP.

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A COCKNEY LOVE SONG.

WRITTEN, COMPOSED AND SUNG BY ALBERT CHEVALIER. MODER.4TO. PIANO Marcato il basso. più allegro. I ain't the sort of bloke to 'Cos a_bout and tear my go 'air colla voce. in the end don _ na turns out false as she is fair; But straight, I think if a





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I ain't the sort of bloke to go about and tear my 'air 'Cos in the end a donna turns out false as she is fair;
But straight, I think if any cove come 'overin around To sneak my Sally from me, I should strike him to the ground!
For she is mine, I know she's mine, I summon'd up my pluck, I shov'd my arm around her waist, and give her chin a chuck,

You should have seen her blush, says she "You shan't" says I, "I shall,"

There ain't another in it with my little coster gal. Chorus. I turns to Sally, "Sal" says I, "My gal I love but you,"

> "Who are yer gittin' at," says Sally, "Yer don't mean to say that's true;" "Straight," says I, "I'm on the job, for better or for wuss,"

Lor''lum me! you should just have heard my Sally answer "Yuss."

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There ain't a lady in the land with such a face as Sal's If any cove 'ere says there is why me and 'im ain't pals!
The gals they call 'er "carrots" but 'er 'air's a lovely brown, And fills 'em all with envy when my Sally lets it down;
And then 'er figure—well of course it ain't for me to say, At any rate there ain't another like it down our way;
I'll tell you what she's just about as fair as fair can be,

That little coster donna wot's about to marry me!

Chorus. - I turns to Sally, &c.

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Now all you single costers take the tip from one as knows,

They tell us it's an awful solemn question to propose; But there it don't take long you know, I told yer wot I done

And now I'll swear there ain't an 'appier bloke beneath the sun! Like you, of course, I thought at fust, I never should succeed,

But cheek's the thing to pull you through, and heaps of that you'll need. I 'adn't much myself, it ain't exactly in my line,

But wot I 'ad, I used, and now that coster donna's mine! Chorus.- I turns to Sally &c.

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