

In his cellar? Yes, of course! Tussaud will work beside me.

(ARMAND enters, crossing to PERCY and MARIE.)

PERCY

Armand- there you are. I wouldn't bother to unpack your bags, my boy. We must get Marie back to Paris in the morning. You'll take her straight to the hideaway and tell Dewhurst- Oh, didn't I tell you? She's working with us now.

ARMAND

You, Mademoiselle? But I had no idea-

MARIE

Nor did I. Until last evening. Your leader is very persuasive.

PERCY

We can't speak here.

MARIE

END

I will fetch my shawl and meet you both by the river then?

(MARIE exits.)

ARMAND

Tomorrow morning, Percy? But - what shall I tell Marguerite? I've only just returned. She wones so for my safety, and if she finds out I go to France-

PERCY

Don't *let* her find out. Give another excuse. Lord only knows what new excuse *l'll* give her- Perhaps I should "go fishing in Scotland" again...

ARMAND

She'll believe it. She has no idea who you really are. Lord, Percy, why don't you just tell her the truth?

PEF

Armand, she is to know nothing

ARMAND

But-.. why don't you trust her?

PERCY

Odd's my life, boy, who trusts *anyone* in this slippery world? Better to play the game, what? Be on your guard. Zounds, when the heart goes soft, that's when the dagger plurges in. Off with you then. I'll meet you by the river.

(ARMAND exits as the scene changes to the garden.)

Marguerite is French

<u>No. 15a</u>

OUILLES GAVOTTE (orchestra)

(Music for The Gavotte begins under.)

START

PERCY

Marguerite? Will you...dance?

MARGUERITE

Oh, Percy - I don't know what to do. I -

PERCY

I see. You've promised this dance to someone else.

(PERCY turns away.)

MARGUERITE

No - Don't go. Always you leave, you put me off -

PERCY

Ah, but that gives you all the more time to spend with your other ... friends.

MARGUERITE

Stop it. Percy. Oh God, what have I done that you should hate me so?

PERCY

And what have <u>I</u> done that you should turn and live another life behind my back?!

MARGUERITE

Oh, I don't know what to say to you anymore!

PERCY

Then say nothing, my dear. Simply dance.

END

(PERCY and MARGUERITE dance. Partners change and MARGUERITE dances with CHAUVELIN.)

CHAUVELIN

Marguerite, you know a man by the name of Farleigh? And another who goes by the name of "Izzy" or "Ozzy"?

MARGUERITE

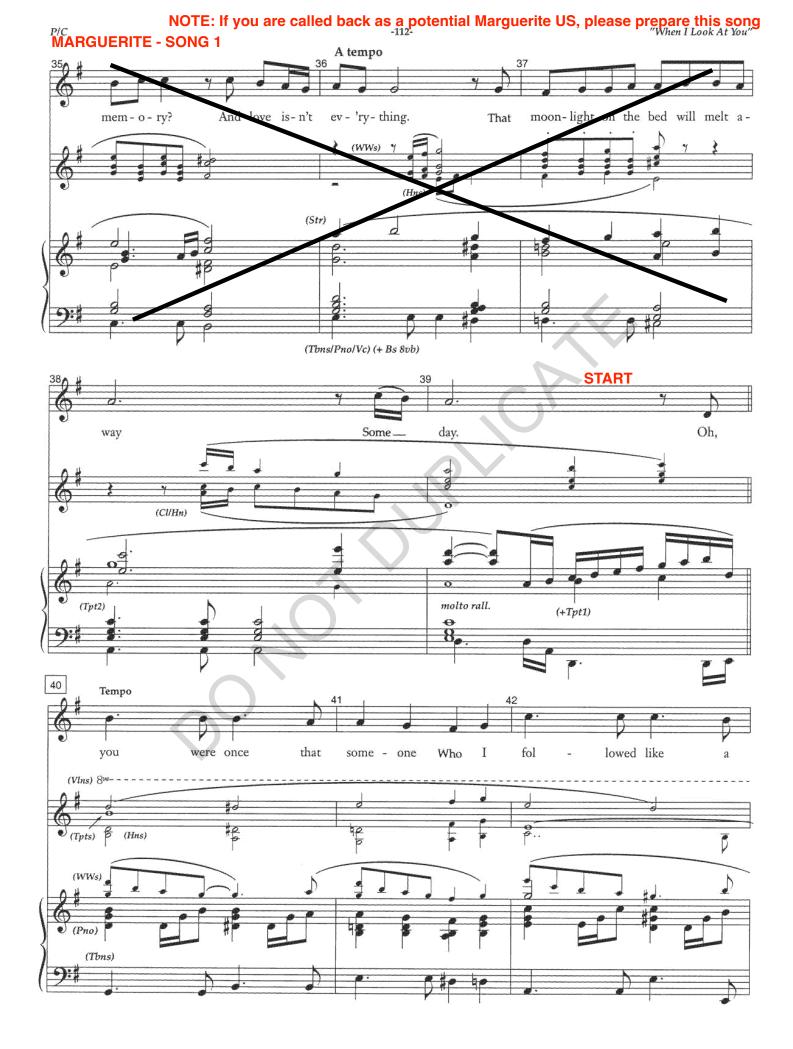
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Quick to "Ouilles Gavotte"





P/C

