

HUNSDON HOUSE - English

Collected and notated by Cecil Sharp

Recordings

Hunsdon House - (1 chord int.) English Columbia DB 181

Music: O'donnell Abu Imperial 1041 A.

Piano

Country Dance Tunes, Book V. Novello Co.

Formation: Four couples square - Number clockwise

Step: Light walking step throughout beginning each movement with R.

Dance

Chorus

A. 1-16 Squares

Each person makes a complete square in his own corner.
 Head C. face partners, Sides take inside hands & face center.
 1-4 " " move 4 steps bk. while sides move 4 steps fwd.
 " " turn & face opposite " " turn & face Partners
 5-8 " " move 4 steps fwd. " " move 4 steps bk.
 " " turn & face center " " turn & face opposite
 9-12 " " move 4 steps fwd. " " move 4 steps bk.
 " " turn & face opposite " " turn & face partner
 13-16 " " move 4 steps bk. " " move 4 steps fwd.

Each person should be back in original places. Honor

B1. 1-8 Head C. Move fwd. a double - each turns single outward
 9-16 the 2 men move 2 steps bk. while
 " " ladies change places passing R s. -
 " " men " " " " "
Sides do the same. back to place in same manner

A. Chorus

B2. 1-8 Head C. move fwd. a double - each turns out to make a back
 ring taking hands about eye level. 4 cts. for turn.
 9-16 All 4 move around cw. and lead into opposite place.
Sides do the same. Repeat back to place moving ccw.

A. Chorus

B3 1-16 Head C. move fwd. a double turn & face P. and honor
 give R hand to opposite - 2 changes of a circular hey.
 pass opposite R s. give P. L hand and turn into opposite
 place.
Sides do the same.
 Head C. fwd. a double - honor opposite,
 give R. hand to P. pass R - L to opposite, pass L.
 " " " " " and fall back into place and honor.

As this dance is an English Minuet, there is an honor whenever a movement is completed.

--presented by Elma McFarland