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A Mock Negro Wedding

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CHARACTERS

- KIZZIE STRAIGHT.....The Bride
- PINKY BLACK.....Maid of Honor
- MARIETTA DOLITTLEMaid
- KEZIAH SNOWBALLMaid
- HANOVER ROSEMaid
- SUNSHINE FRANKLIN.....The Groom
- COTTON MATHER MOSS.....Captain of the Groomsman
- MATHUSE KETCHUMGroomsman
- GEORGE WASHINGTON GOOT.....Groomsman
- MANASSAS HAWKEMGroomsman
- CAL CROOK.....Kizzie's Old Sweetheart
- UNCLE REMUS.....Old and Almost Blind
- PARSON MEEK.....Parson and Judge

Guests may be few or many. For convenience the following are named: IKE DOAN, PIG BARNS, PETE STRONG, NECESSARY DOLITTLE, ALPHA LEE, MARTHE MAZE, AUNT JEMIMY, SOPHIE SHUN, EVALINA KETCHEM, OMEGA ROSE.

Abbreviations used: R—right, L—left, C—center, F—front, B—back, S—side.

TIME OF PLAYING—Twenty Minutes

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COSTUMES

KIZZIE STRAIGHT: Wears a gown of pale green, lace curtain for veil, broad hat laden with flowers, and carries huge bouquet.

PINKY BLACK: Wears deep pink gown and large hat.

MARIETTA DOLITTLE: Wears bright yellow gown and large hat.

KEZIAH SNOWBALL: Wears deep purple gown and large hat.

HANOVER ROSE: Wears dazzling red gown and large hat.

GROOM AND GROOMSMEN: All wear high hats, button-hole bouquets, colored socks, very high collars and bright butterfly ties. Each groomsman carries a fancy cane.

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Scene: Large stage, decorated to suit the time of year. A large hat covered with flowers or ribbons will make an appropriate wedding bell, the clapper being a ball of flowers of colored cotton. Bell must hang directly above the bride and groom during ceremony.

Discovered: The guests are seated on one or both sides of stage as curtain rises. Space must be left at rear for entrance of performers. Music may be made on any instrument, but banjos are preferred. Use French harps if nothing else is available. Guests pat feet and sway bodies to music. Occasionally a guest cake-walks across stage in midst of the performances.

Captain Cotton, otherwise known as Knight of the Horseshoe, enters at RB, leading groomsmen in single file, all stepping VERY high and dignified. After going around stage once they are "halted" by Capt. Cotton at C when he reaches RF second time. All face Cotton as he gives orders.

CAPT. COTTON—Bein' as Ise de Knight ob de Hoss-shoe, an' while we's waitin' fo de bridal paih, we will practice de ridin' gaits.

ALL GROOMSMEN—Thank-u-doo, obleeged-to-you! (*They salute the Captain.*)

CAPT. COTTON (*calls orders*)—Prance down Fifth Avenue! (*He leads all around stage with heads back, hands*

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clenched as if holding wild horses, stepping high and bending knees like prancing saddle-horses. Turn corners square. At RB, Captain calls, Pace! He leads up and down curves, four or more times across stage, pacing from back to front, ending at LR. Captain calls, Trot! They trot in a diagonal to RF up S to RB, then diagonal to LF, then to RF. Pete crows like rooster and Ketchem stops to listen. Captain calls, Gallop! He leads gallop around stage.)

NECESSARY DOLITTLE—Whoa, dar, Captain, dem race hosses gwine run 'way!

CAPT. COTTON (*cracking Dolittle on head*)—Mistuh 'Dolittle, Ah sees you's out ob a job. Ah des plant a can patch fo' you ter scratch on dat fertile skull ob yours! (*at RF*). Now ride 'round de enemy! (*He leads in easy gait in large circle, gradually making circle smaller until he reaches center of stage, where he turns and retraces the circles, bringing in all the above gaits and ending in a fast gallop around stage to position across front of stage.*) Now, remember de ladies like to see de gents ride all de gaits. Ah now dubs you, Mathuse Ketchem, Knight ob de Fast Pace. (*Rubs his nose with cane.*)

MATHUSE KETCHEM—Thank-u-doo!

CAPT. COTTON—Ah dubs you, George Washington Goot, Knight ob de Fox-trot. (*Rubs his nose with fist.*)

GEO.—Ah bows you my obleegability!

CAPT. COTTON—Ah dubs you, Manassas Hawkem, Knight ob de Hen-roost, 'kase you got none ob de gaits, an' you

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stop a march fer a rooster! (*Sticks a long rooster feather in his hat. All men guests crow.*)

MANASSAS—Ah kin only flap you my Thank-you-doodle-doo. (*Say this last word in a crow if possible and flap arms with hands at shoulders.*)

CAPT. COTTON—Now bein' as you is all knighted, you is ready to larn some co'tin' mannuhs.

MATHUSE (*folding hands*)—Cap, Ah is so willin' to be larned.

GEO.—My Marthe done flipped me off. (*Wails, and Marthe giggles out loud.*)

MANASSAS—Captain Cotton, Ah done got seven strings to my heart. (*Holds out large red heart which has seven small ones dangling to it.*)

CAPT. COTTON—Halt dem tongues! (*Mat holds tongue with hand, Geo. turns lower lip out, Man. holds mouth wide open as if ready to speak.*) Hear me! (*All put hands behind ears and flap fingers to Capt.*) Salute de ladies! (*Left hand on heart, gracefully tip hat to F.*) Smile at de ladies! (*Grin and show teeth.*) Make dem fetchin' goo-goo eyes! (*Roll eyes to R and wink, also to L.*) Flirt a leetle! (*Turn back to audience, peep over left shoulder and wave small handkerchief.*) Play dat banjo! (*Imitate playing.*) Sing, niggers! (*Sing some love song verse.*) Dream ob yo' sweetheart! (*Close eyes and snore.*) 'Scort her to de chuch! (*Two take others by arm, Capt. being one of the*

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girls, and march lovingly around once.) Help yo' girl ovah dat mudhole! (*As they start around, lady falls.*) Dar ain't narry gal in ——— county dat 'ud marry you niggahs! (*Two escorts wail.*) Whut de mattah now?

MATHUSE—Whut you said done gimme de sprain in de heart!

CAPT. COTTON—Dry up! We lib undah de glorious Eighteenth Amendment! Song says, "Try agin." Goo-goo. (*All roll eyes.*) Dat's right, you done kotch dat gal, now propose! (*All three get on kneces and work lips, hand on heart.*) Goodly done! Wave de flag ob victory! (*Put handkerchief on cane and wave high.*) Forward march! (*Go around and take stand at rear of stage. Girls enter LB, single file, short steps to music of "Wild Ash Deer" or some other dance melody around stage and back to CB. Coming down C to F 1 and 3 turn to R, 2 and 4 turn to L, up sides, meeting in couples at CB, down C, right partner turning to R, left to L, then up sides across rear in front of men who keep goo-gooing and flirting. Girls mark time until all four get in position to march abreast to front, then they go up left side and stop; the men in the meantime move to position on right side and stop. Facing each other, gents tip hats with a big bow and the ladies make them a stiff bow, after which the sides march toward C, passing and changing sides. Men and women face about and repass, but the gents take ladies' arms and swing them around in passing. Now gent and lady at rear ends of lines march to the CB, form couples, march down center and around stage, others follow-*

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*ing in couples until Aunt Jemimy rises and says, "Here comes de bride!" Alpha and Omega together shout, "Huh-
ra-a-a!" Evalina shouts, "Ring de weddin' bells!" Little
boys may give a tin-pan outburst and the little girls ring
some bells as the maids and groomsmen fall in position,
ladies on left, gents on right, leaving space for the bride and
groom in the center under bell. Parson Meek walks in,
dignified, from LR, down to CR, near CF, opens book in
hand, faces bride and groom as they take stand before him,
coming in together from same entrance.)*

MARTHA—Ah wisht you'd look at dat beautiful bride!

AUNT JEMIMY—Jes' de gal fer dat handsome groom!

SOPHIE—Law, ain't she sweet!

IKE—Yes, she some peach-bloom!

FIG—Turn off dat gas, Ike. De preacher-man done look ober his specks at you.

PARSON—Dar's no use spillin' wuds ober de fryin' pan ob matrimony, but Ah feels dat in dis day ob marriage loose-ness, Ah mus' grease de pan wid some advice, and Ah hopes dat you kin' friends will drap in some wuds fer seasonin'. Ah refers to de devorce evil, runnin' up an' down our land like a cut-wum in a co'nfield. When Ah ties up dis bow-knot today Ah don't nebber want to heah tell ob it bein' ontied, 'kase de Good Book says what God has joined to-gether, let no man cut asundah.

REMUS—Dat's whut it do, Brudder Meek.

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GROOM—No danger in dis case, Brudder Meek.

PARSON—Hush, man, de debble likely to tempt you when yo' wife bu'n de biskits. Hit's de fashion to git devorce, ain't hit Aunt Jemimy?

AUNT JEMIMY—Yes, suh, Ah tole ma ole man dis mo'nin' if he didn't shave off his whiskers Ise gwine gib him de good-bye.

PETE—Pahson, Ah des now tole ma sweet Evalina Ah lubs her ten thousand bushels!

SOPHIE—Yes'n, you ain't cut her narry stick er wood er give her a stick er candy fer ten year!

PARSON—But dat ain't no cause fer devorce.

SOPHIE—Ah been bo'din' 'mong de school scholars fer thirty year, an' Ise spied no man kin to de angels.

NECESSARY—Miss Sophie, Ah don't see no wings flappin' on yo' shoulders!

PARSON—Dat's a pint Ah wants to brung befo' dis lovin' couple. Ain't neider one ob 'em angels an' dey's down here in garden whah de snake ob tem'tation sneaks in de tree of life; here de rag-weed ob discontent is forebber sproutin' up; dar flies de buzzard ob filthy communication; and dar am de ole wooly wums ob slander up yo' backs. All dese enemies sneakin' round causin' man an' wife to part com'ny, so Ise a-warnin' you alls to set foot on dem an' den de roses ob peace will climb 'bout yo' do'h; de trumpet flowah ob joy will toot night an' mo'n fo' you; de cricker ob good-

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cheer will cheep on yo' hearth; de hummin' bird ob goodwill will allus flit 'mongst yo' neighbors; and de tu'tle dove ob love will keep cooin' in yo' hearts!

BRIDE—Oh, ain't dem de sweetes' wuds!

GROOM—Ise gwine lib up ter dem wuds, honey-love.
(*Several say "Amen."*)

PARSON—Now, we is ready fer de ceremony. Sunshine Franklin, will yo' take Kizzie Straight fo' yo' wife; love, honah, an' keep her through de ups an' downs ob life?

SUNSHINE—Ah will.

PARSON—Kizzie Straight, will you take Sunshine Franklin fo' yo' husban'; love, honah an' help him through de downs an' ups ob life, mo' specially de downs?

KIZZIE—Ah will.

PARSON—If any one objects to dis marriage, speak now!

CAL (*jumping up, very angry*)—Pahson, you des as well whoa up yo' hosses 'til Ah files in ma complaint.

PETE—Guess yo' complaint is heart trouble, Cal.

AUNT JEMIMY—No, tain't. Hits green-gall jealousy.

ALPHA (*throwing old shoe at Cal*)—Set down, Cal, we don't want no kink in Kizzie's weddin'.

CAL—Shet yo' mouf, niggah. Ah objecks to Kizzie marhyin' dis Sunshine 'kase she done promise ter marry me. She done made me de breach ob promus an' Ah specks ter bust dis weddin'.

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KIZZIE (*stepping out and pointing to Cal*)—Niggah, if you has to know why Ah busted ma promus to you Ah ain't afeared ner ashamed to tell you. Brudder Meek, you act de judge, an' dese kin' friends heah will be de jury, Ise ma own lawyer an' we'll try dis victim Cal.

PIG—Yasm, you's right. Pursent yo' argument.

KIZZIE—Onct Ah did promise to marry dat coon, but when he went an' stole Uncle Remus' water millions Ah says to maself, "Kizzie Straight, you got a good name an' don't you yoke up wid no rogue in de broad road leadin'—you know whah."

ALL LADIES—Hurrah fo' Kizzie!

MEN—Yes, ain't she pretty!

GROOM—Kizzie's de gal fer me!

CAL—In a co't house Miss Kizzie hab ter prove ter de jury dat Ah stole dem millions 'fo hit stands.

KIZZIE—Ise so glad you mentioned dat pint, Mistuh Crook. Well, somebody keep stealin' Uncle Remus' watuh millions an' as he's ole an' most blind Ah tells him Ah fin' out who's stealin' dem. He turned de ketchin' ober to me an' Ah put some epecac in de biggest million in de patch and pretty soon dat million move. De nex' day Cal he so seek, but he wouldn't send fo' de doctah, an' he bust his date wid me dat night 'kase he's seek. Ain't dat de truf, Cal Crook?

CAL—Ise de victim ob six biled eggs dat time. You hab ter prove in co't, Miss Kizzie.

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KIZZIE—Ah ain't through wid you yit. Uncle Remus were a-watchin' an' didn't he see you carry off dat watuh million in yo' shirt-tail?

CAL—No, Ah didn't carry hit in no shut-tail. Ah carry hit in a jute sack. Blin' niggah bettah min' how he exporta on ME! (*Shakes fist at Uncle Remus.*)

ALL—Yow-yow, Cal, you's done convicted yo'se'f.

UNCLE REMUS—Whah de stripes, Jidge?

AUNT JEMIMY—Kizzie, hit's a good thing you didn't marry Cal 'kase you'd had ter git a devorce.

PARSON—Well, hit's bettah ter breach a BAD promus dan to keep hit. Dis kink in Kizzie's weddin' is done combed out an' Ah pronounces Kizzie an' Sunshine man an' wife. De groom will salute de bride! (*Groom starts to kiss bride.*)

KIZZIE—De groom ain't gwine salute de bride, nuddah, right here 'fo all de folks. Ah gwine bust dat custom in my weddin'.

SOPHIE—Kizzie got sense undah dat hat!

PARSON—Now swing yo' pa'tnuhs to de weddin' suppah. (*Parson steps to front, followed by bride and groom, maids and groomsmen in couples. Guests may follow in couples if desired. Otherwise they go out with much laughing and talking. Cal has sneaked out unseen.*)

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