



# The Guide to Musical Theatre

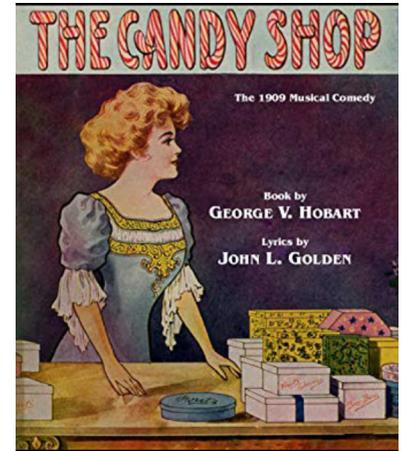
## THE CANDY SHOP

A Summer Entertainment (Musical Comedy) in 2 Acts. Book by George V. Hobart. Music and lyrics by John L. Golden. (Additional lyrics by Henry Blossom.)

Knickerbocker Theatre, New York - 27th April - 12th June, 1909 (49 perfs).

### SYNOPSIS

The story tells of the adventures of Jack Sweet after his own father accuses him of theft.



Jack and his friends go to Coney Island, where Jack obtains a job as a waiter. He falls in love with Hilda Noble who turns out to be an heiress. Jack clears his good name in time for a happy ending.

### CAST:

John Sweet, proprietor of the candy shop	Mrs. Montrose Quilligan, a suffragette
Jack Sweet, his son	Ned Johnson, a proprietor at Coney Island
Hilda Noble, a shop girl	Rufus, a detective
Saul Wright, a tailor	Genevieve, cashier in the candy shop
Sally Ann, his daughter	Mr. Squills, a candy drummer
Gilbert Grand, a soda fountain attendant	Miss Glick
Mrs. Gregory, a widow	Miss Meddle
Mrs. Bashfield, in charge of the candy shop	Sue, Settle, the Alimony Sisters
Friends of Mrs. Gregory, Shop Girls, Matinee Girls, Dancing Girls, Chicago Girls, Yachtsmen, etc.	

### MUSICAL NUMBERS (programme)

#### ACT 1

1. Opening Chorus (Working, clerking, selling candies, etc.)
2. "Now That I've Got It, I Don't Want It" (Solo and Chorus) - John, Girls
3. "Just We Two" (Duet) - Jack, Hilda
4. "Honey Bunch" (Solo and Ensemble) - Jack, Sue, Settle
5. "I've Been Married Once" (Solo) - Saul
6. "In Vaudeville" (Duet and Ensemble) - Gilbert, Hilda
7. "You're My Girl" (Duet) - Gilbert, Hilda
8. Finale (Who Among You Stole That Jewel?) - Entire Company

#### ACT 2

9. Opening Chorus (There Is an Island) - Entire Company
10. "By Wireless" (Double Octette) - Boys, Girls

11. "Help! And the Villain Goes to Jail" (Solo and Chorus) - Sally Ann
12. "Chinese Love Song" (Duet) - Gilbert, Hilda
13. "Mr. Othello" (Solo) - Mrs Gregory
14. "Meet Me Down on the Corner" - Gilbert, Sally Ann

## SCENES AND SETTINGS

Act 1: The Candy Shop.

Act 2: Coney Island

## MUSICAL NUMBERS (vocal score)

### ACT I - The Candy Shop.

1. Opening Chorus - "Working, clerking, selling candies to the ladies and the dandies, packing bon-bons sweet, for the girls and the boys a treat..."
2. Song - John Sweet - "When I was but a simple youth I found I had a very sweet tooth; oh, I was fond of candy! ... No one could blame you for that, sir..."
3. Duet - Jack Sweet and Hilda - "I know you're just a little candy shop girl, selling bon-bons all the day, working till I'd almost think you'd drop, girl..."
4. Duet (composed by W. E. MacQuinn and John L. Golden, quartet arranged by Ribé Denmark).- Jack and Girls, with Male Quartet - "The dearest girl I ever knew I tried to win with pet names rare. I called her Sweetie, I called her Ootsey-oo ..."
5. Song - Saul - "Have you ever had a sneaky feeling stealing down your spine? Your head was hot, your feet were full of chills; your appetite was missing..."
6. Duet - Gilbert and Hilda - "I tell you, kid, these actor folks are getting all the stuff - thousands ev'ry week in Vaudeville. We could get it too..."
7. Duet - Gilbert, Hilda & Chorus - "Songs that are sung of a fellow's own girl can't go wrong; easy to catch and to keep you a-whirl. (The girl?) No, the song."
8. Finale Act I - "Who among you stole that jewel; answer me and go! Did you?" etc... "You? Someone saw it, someone had it, someone must confess..."

### ACT II - Coney Island.

9. Chorus - "There is an Island where pleasure's a-whirl, down by the shores of the ocean; ev'ry-one there is a boy or a girl, beaming with love and devotion..."
10. Chorus - "Mister Wireless Operator, can't you find my beau? He's somewhere across the sea. By wireless ... I can try if you'll dictate..."
11. Song - Sally and Chorus - "I never had no teacher and I never went to school, but I learned myself to read, and that's the truth. To study, as a starter..."
12. Chinese Love Duet - Gilbert and Hilda - "China Boy he lik-a serenade a lily girl, so he sing a lilly chinee tune. China Boy he kind-a velly poor jus' now..."
13. Song - Mrs. Gregory and Chorus - "Miss 'Liza and her Ephriham went to a Shakespeare show; she'd never seen a tragedy before..."
14. Ensemble - "Down on our block, ev'ry night about eight o'clock ... wasn't it great! After the meal from the house the boys and girls would steal....."