THE INNER CIRCLE TODDI

Description of the Toddle

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Description is composed of three figures. Each figure completes one strain of music, or eight bars. These figures are for the purpose of introducing the dance. I feel confident that many figures will be developed and created by the dancers themselves as soon as the swing and rhythm of the Toddle becomes familiar to them. The closed position is maintained at all times throughout the dance, except in the first two counts of the first figure.

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The Toddle Movement is danced to 7 quick counts, and for the gentleman it is a Toddle or run forward, beginning with the left foot. Beginning with the left foot, the gentleman runs forward 5 counts, the fifth count coming on the left foot. The weight now being on the left foot, enables the gentleman to take the sixth count, which is a very slight graceful hop on the left foot. Count 7 is executed by merely tapping the ball of the right foot down on the floor, slightly forward of the left foot.

Note.—Description of Toddle Movement (or Break) for lady. Just change every FORWARD to BACKWARD, every LEFT to RIGHT, and every GENTLEMAN to LADY.

Position: Lady and gentleman both facing line of direction. The first part of this figure is composed of two slow steps in a semi-open position, followed immediately by four quick steps in the closed position. The two slow steps are performed as fol-

The four quick steps are performed in the closed position. Gentleman takes long step forward to the right side with left foot, count 1. Bring right foot to closed position back of left foot, count 2. Take short step with left foot, backward about three inches, count 3. Step on right foot, regaining balance to the count of 4..... One Bar

During the action of these four quick steps, almost a complete circle is made, turning to the right. Repeat this entire figure.....

Two Bars

Eight Bars

FIGURE 2.

This figure is performed to all slow counts. Position closed. Gentleman facing, and lady back to line of direction. Gentleman steps forward with left foot, count 1. Steps forward with right foot, count 2. Steps forward with left foot, count 3. Steps forward with right foot, count 4.....

Two Bars

Now pivot 4 counts, beginning with the left foot, using a skating movement during the 4 counts of the pivot.

Repeat first two bars (4 slow steps forward)

Toddle Movement or Break.

Two Bars Two Bars Two Pars

Eight Bars

FIGURE 3.

This figure is composed of two slow steps, followed by three quick steps, with a rest at the end of the third. Position, closed. Gentleman facing, and lady back to line of direction. Gentleman steps forward with left foot, count 1. Steps forward with

Next movement is performed rather quickly diagonally forward to the right. Gentleman steps forward diagonally with left foot toward the right side, back of lady's left foot, count 1. Step diagonally forward to right side with right foot, long step, count 2. Chassez or slide left foot to closed position, count 3, at the same time, swing right foot off the floor, and hold balance on one foot with a rest, which is count 4...

One Bar

Repeat complete figure with opposite foot, gentleman beginning with the right Now take 4 slow steps forward, beginning with the left foot, count 1, right foot,

Two Bars

count 2, left foot, count 3, right foot count 4..... Two Bars Toddle Movement or Break.....

Two Bars

Eight Bars

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