



Lord Berners, painter, writer and composer, was a man of extraordinary talent and eccentricity. His only opera, *Le Carrosse du Saint-Sacrement*, based on a story by Prosper Mérimée, deals with the predicament of a Viceroy of Peru who rashly gives his mistress his new carriage, with unexpected consequences. *The Times* described it as "an unqualified success... Lord Berners' music makes the work an unalloyed enjoyment".

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# Lord BERNERS

(1883 - 1950)

**BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra**  
**Nicholas Cleobury**

Royal Ballet Sinfonia \* • Gavin Sutherland \* • RTE Sinfonietta \*\* • David Lloyd-Jones \*\*  
Ian Caddy • Alexander Oliver • Cynthia Buchan • John Winfield • Thomas Lawlor • Anthony Smith

<b>1</b>	<b>Fanfare (1931)*</b>	<b>0:31</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>Scene 3</b>	<b>16:56</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Caprice Péruvien**</b>	<b>9:06</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Scene 4</b>	<b>21:09</b>
	<b>Le Carosse du</b>		<b>7</b>	<b>Scene 5</b>	<b>5:38</b>
	<b>Saint-Sacrement</b>		<b>8</b>	<b>Scene 6</b>	<b>3:05</b>
	<b>(sung in English)</b>		<b>9</b>	<b>Scene 7</b>	<b>6:10</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Scene 1</b>	<b>2:54</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>Scene 8</b>	<b>10:45</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Scene 2</b>	<b>3:01</b>			

**Playing Time: 79'17"**

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except\* at Whitfield St. Studios, London on 15th September 1999  
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