Mostly *Pinafore*

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Across
1. Milling sheep join titular lass (feminine version of 7 Down’s forename — coincidence?) (9)
2. Leads Kalyba (Utopia) and follows Theo. (5)
3. Sparrow’s ship blows up paler ones. (5)
4. Mr. Ed, Tonto combine to − − − − − − Preminger’s career. (3,4)
5. Type of eye, lash. (3)
6. That Ruddigore first draftee was creepy! (5)
7. Pup finds its pa in Western New Guinea. (5)
8. Captain Corcoran, KCB hides in closed wardrobe. (Utopia) (6)
9. Rip off Ruddigore disguise. (3)
10. 25 Across pipe above it gratuitously, otherwise useable water. (4,3)
11. Sail at highest altitude, Mr. Rogers style. (5)
12. At first Annie recoiled from Sandy’s ejaculation. (3)
13. Care I? What maid? (Ida, Mikado) (6)
14. Sounds like a street gang confused the kids. (6)
15. Where Ralph hangs out in port with foe. (7).
16. A higher frequency for parricide. (Pirates) (7)
17. Poisonous utopian paste. (3)
18. Brown-handed pleb roils a mixture. (6)
19. Break up a tablet — Tom Tit won’t do it but Ida will. (Ruddigore, Ida) (6)
20. Where’s the heart and strength of 18 Down? (5)
21. This guard comes and goes. (Mikado) (5)
22. Tips back Buttercup’s head. (4)
23. Symmetric co-ed takes first place in Adamant College. (Ida) (3)
24. Make sausage loop with pony parts. (6)
25. Musical canon fodder. (5)
26. Audacious Remus baby in unironed costume. (3)
27. Pool prop prior to pol or poll, topsy-turvy tenor role. (9)

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* Starred words have little or nothing to do with G.&S.
Answer

josephine cat
papua edward
royal little
t r u t e c
e foretop r
battle bicep
polony balls
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