

SOUTHERN LULLABY.

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Con moto Moderato.

The musical score consists of three staves of music. The top staff is for the voice, the middle staff is for the piano (labeled 'col voce.'), and the bottom staff is for the piano (labeled 'col voce.'). The music is in common time, with a key signature of one flat. The vocal part starts with a melodic line, followed by lyrics. The piano parts provide harmonic support, with specific dynamics like 'ten.', 'ad lib.', 'a tempo.', and 'poco rall.' indicated. The lyrics are:

1. Bed-time's come fo' lit - tle boys, Po' lit - tle lamb! Too tiah'd out to make a noise,
 2. You been bad the live-long day, Po' lit - tle lamb! Throwin' stones an' run - nin' way,

Po' lit - tle lamb! Gwine to have to - morrer sho'? Yes you tole me dat be - fo',
 Po' lit - tle lamb! My! but you's a run - nin' wild, Look jes' like some po' folk chile,

Don't you fool me, chile, no mo', Po' lit - tle lamb!
 Mam'gwine whip you at - ter while, Po' lit - tle lamb!

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ad lib.

3. Come hyeah! you mos' tiah'd to def, Po' lit - tle lamb!
 4. Jes' caint hol' yo' haid up straight, Po' lit - tle lamb!

poco rall.

col voce.

a tempo.

ad lib.

Play'd yo' - sef clean out o' bref, Po' lit - tle lamb!
 Had - n't ough - ter play'd so late, Po' lit - tle lamb!

a tempo.

col voce.

a tempo.

See dem han's now, sich a sight! Would you ev - ah, b'lieve dey's white?
 Mam - my do' know what she'd do, Ef de chil - lun's all lak you,

a tempo.

ad lib.

Stan' still! while I wash dem right, Po' lit - tle lamb!
 You's a cau - tion now fu' tru', Po' lit - tle lamb!

col voce.

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Tranquillo.

ten. ad lib.

5. Lay yo' haid down in my lap, Po' lit - tle lamb!

Tranquillo.

col voce.

a tempo. *ad lib.* *a tempo.*

Y'ought to have a right down slap, Po' lit - tle lamb! You been run-nin' roun' a heap,

a tempo. *col voce.* *a tempo.*

ten.

Shet dem eyes an' don' you peep, Dah now! dah now! go to sleep, Po' lit - tle lamb!

dim. *ten.* *col voce.* *pp*

ad lib.

Po' lit - tle lamb! Po' lit - tle lamb! —

pp *pp*

Led. *Led.** *Led.** *Led.* *Led.* *Led.**