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Allegretto.

The piano introduction consists of two systems of music. The first system is in 2/4 time, with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It features a treble and bass staff. The treble staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one flat, and a 2/4 time signature. The bass staff begins with a bass clef, a key signature of one flat, and a 2/4 time signature. The music is marked with a piano (p) dynamic. The second system continues the piano introduction, also in 2/4 time and one flat key signature, with treble and bass staves.

(Birdie.)

The vocal melody for Birdie is written on a single treble staff. It begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one flat, and a 2/4 time signature. The melody is marked with a piano (p) dynamic. The lyrics are written below the staff.

1. Tell me pret - ty Vi - o - let, why you like to stay,
 2. Would you not - like to be me, where you want to fly,

The piano accompaniment for Birdie's song is written on a grand staff (treble and bass staves). It begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one flat, and a 2/4 time signature. The music is marked with a piano (p) dynamic. The lyrics are written below the staff.

By the lit - tle streamlet's side all the live - long day,
 O - ver - mea - dows, o - ver seas, far up in the sky?

Tell me why you smile so gay with a look of pride,
Down a-mong the moss-y rocks, on the mountain high,

Why you dip your pur-ple head in its sil-ver tide?
Vi-o-let if you were me would you ev-er sigh?.....

Why you dip your pur-ple head in its sil-ver tide?
Vi-o-let if you were me would you ev-er sigh?.....

(Violet.)

Lit-tle Bir-die I'm con-tent, hap-py as can be
I am ve-ry hap-py here, as the day is long,.....

By the ti - ny riv - er's bank, tho' I am not free,
Should I then for pleas - ures wish when to wish is wrong?

An - y mo - ment I may be sev - ered from my stem,.....
Oh, 'tis nice to live your life ev - er bright and gay

Placed on some fair maid - en's neck, there in - stead of gem.....
But for me I'd ra - ther live still the same old way.....

Placed on some fair maid - en's neck, there in - stead of
But for me I'd ra - ther live still the same old

(Both.)

gem. way. Ah! Let us try to be con-tent with kind na-ture's way,

Ah! Let us try to be con-tent with kind na-ture's way,

Prize the bless-ings of our lot, guard them while we may.

Prize the bless-ings of our lot, guard them while we may.

If we look at oth-er's woes some-thing for them spare, *rit.*

If we look at oth-er's woes some-thing for them spare,

rit.

a tempo

That will give us plea-sure sweet, far be-yond com-pare.....

That will give us plea-sure sweet, far be-yond com-pare.....

a tempo

That will give us plea-sure sweet, far be-yond com-pare. Ah!

That will give us plea-sure sweet, far be-yond com-pare. Ah!

dim. *morendo*

yes, Ah! yes, Ah! yes, Ah! yes!.....

dim. *morendo*

yes, Ah! yes Ah! yes, Ah! yes!.....

dim. *morendo*