

THE OWL.

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Un poco mosso

The first system of the score consists of a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The vocal line is a whole rest. The piano accompaniment is in 2/4 time, key of B-flat major, and starts with a forte (*sf*) dynamic. The bass line features a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes with a '7' marking below them.

The second system contains the first line of lyrics. The vocal line begins with a piano (*p*) dynamic. The piano accompaniment continues with a steady accompaniment.

Three lit-tle owl - ets In a hol-low tree, Cud-dled up to - geth-er

The third system contains the second line of lyrics. The vocal line continues with the melody. The piano accompaniment continues with the accompaniment.

Close as could be. When the moon shone out And the dew lay wet,

(slur up)

Mo - ther flew a - bout To see what she could get.....

Detailed description: This system contains the first two lines of music. The top line is a vocal melody in G major (one flat) with lyrics "Mo - ther flew a - bout To see what she could get.....". A slur labeled "(slur up)" covers the final two notes of the phrase. The piano accompaniment consists of two staves (treble and bass clef) with chords and moving lines.

8

She caught a lit - tle mouse So

Detailed description: This system contains the third and fourth lines of music. The vocal line starts with a fermata over the first measure, then continues with the lyrics "She caught a lit - tle mouse So". A circled number "8" is placed above the first measure of the piano accompaniment. The piano accompaniment continues with chords and moving lines.

(slur up)

vel - vet - y and soft,..... She

Detailed description: This system contains the fifth and sixth lines of music. The vocal line has lyrics "vel - vet - y and soft,..... She". A slur labeled "(slur up)" covers the first two notes of the phrase. The piano accompaniment features a more active melody in the right hand, with chords in the left hand.

caught some lit - tle spar - rows,..... And

Detailed description: This system contains the seventh and eighth lines of music. The vocal line has lyrics "caught some lit - tle spar - rows,..... And". The piano accompaniment continues with chords and moving lines, including a long horizontal line in the bass clef staff.

then she flew a - loft

cresc

cresc

subito p

To the three lit - tle owl - ets In a hol - low tree,

sf subito

pp

Cud - dled up to - geth - er Close as could be.

pp

rall.
f rather heavily.

"Tu-who," said the old owl, "Is - nt this good cheer?"

f

collo voce.

a tempo
p lightly

"Tu-whit," said the owl - ets, "Thank you, mo - ther dear,

p *leggiero*

(slur up)

Tu-whit, tu-whit, tu-whit, tu-whit, Tu-who!"

stretto *ff*