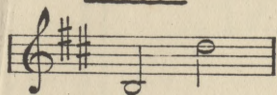
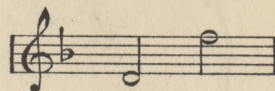


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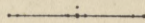
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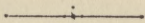
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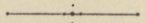


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SUMMAH IS DE LOVIN' TIME.

(A Summer Night)

Summah is de lovin' time—
Don' keer what you say.
Night is allus peart an' prime,
Bettah dan de day.
Do de day is sweet an' good,
Birds a-singin' fine,
Pines a-smellin' in de wood,—
But de night is mine.

Rivah whisperin' "Howdy do,"
Ez it pass you by—
Moon a-lookin' down at you,
Winkin' on de sly.
Frogs a-croakin' f'om de pon',
Singin' bass de'r fill,
An' you listen way beyon'
Ol' man whippo'-will.

Hush up, honey, tek my han',
Mek yo' footsteps light;
Somep'n' kin' o' hol's de lan'
On a summah night.
Somep'n' dat you nevah sees,
An' you nevah hyeahs,
But you feels it in de breeze,
Somep'n' nigh to teahs.

Somep'n' nigh to teahs? dat's so;
But hit's nigh to smiles.
An' you feels it ez you go
Down de shinin' miles.
Tek my han' my little dove;
Hush an' come erway—
Summah is de time fo' love,
Night-time beats de day!

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VOICE. *Moderato.* *mf* Sum-mah is de lo - vin' time —

PIANO. *mf*

Don' keer what you say. Night is all - us peart an' prime,

Bettah dan de day. Do de day issweet an' good, Birds a-singin' fine,

Pines a - smellin' in de wood, *rall.* *ten.* *dim.* But de night is mine.

rall. colla voce *dim.*

mf a tempo

Riv - ah whisp - 'rin "How - dy do,"

mf a tempo

Ez it pass you by — Moon a-lookin' down on you,

Red.

p Winkin' on de sly. *cresc.* Frogs a-croakin' f'om de pon'

p *cresc.*

Singin' bass de'r fill, An' you listen way be-yon' *ten.* Ol' man whip - po'will.

ten. *colla voce*

R.H.

p a tempo

Hush up, ho-ney, tek my han', Mek yo'footsteps light;

a tempo p

pp *sempre pp ma poco*

Somep'n' kin' o' hol's de lan' On a summah night.

pp *sempre pp ma poco*

led. *

p a tempo *pp*

Somep'n' dat you nev-ah sees, An' you nev-ah hyeahs,

a tempo p *pp*

dim. *rit.*

But you feels it in de breeze, Somep'n' nigh to teahs.

dim.

led. *

a tempo

Somep'n' nigh to teahs? dats so; But hit's nigh to smiles.

a tempo

cresc.

An you feels it ez you go Down de shin-in' miles.

cresc. mf

Red.

Tek my han' my lit-tle dove; Hush an' come er - way -

dim.

p

ten. *pp* *rit.*

Sum-mah is de time fo' love, — Night-time beats de day!

colla voce *pp* *rit.*