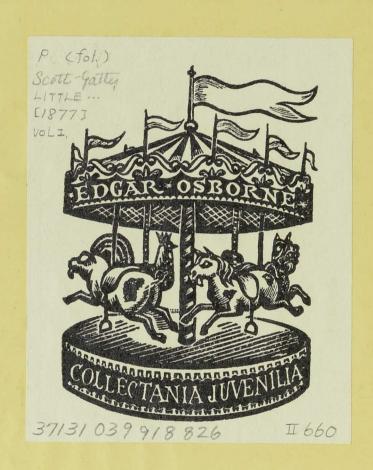
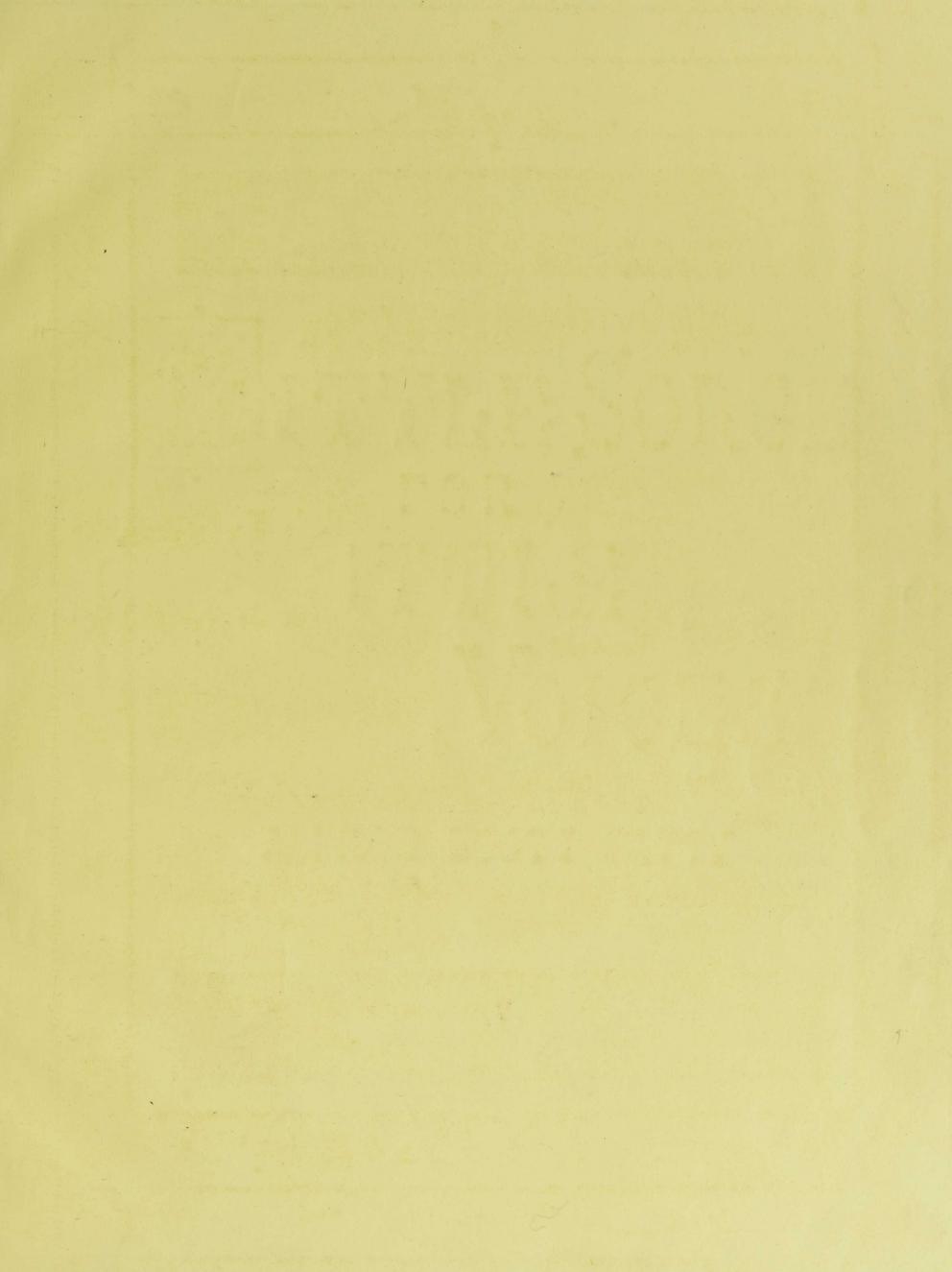


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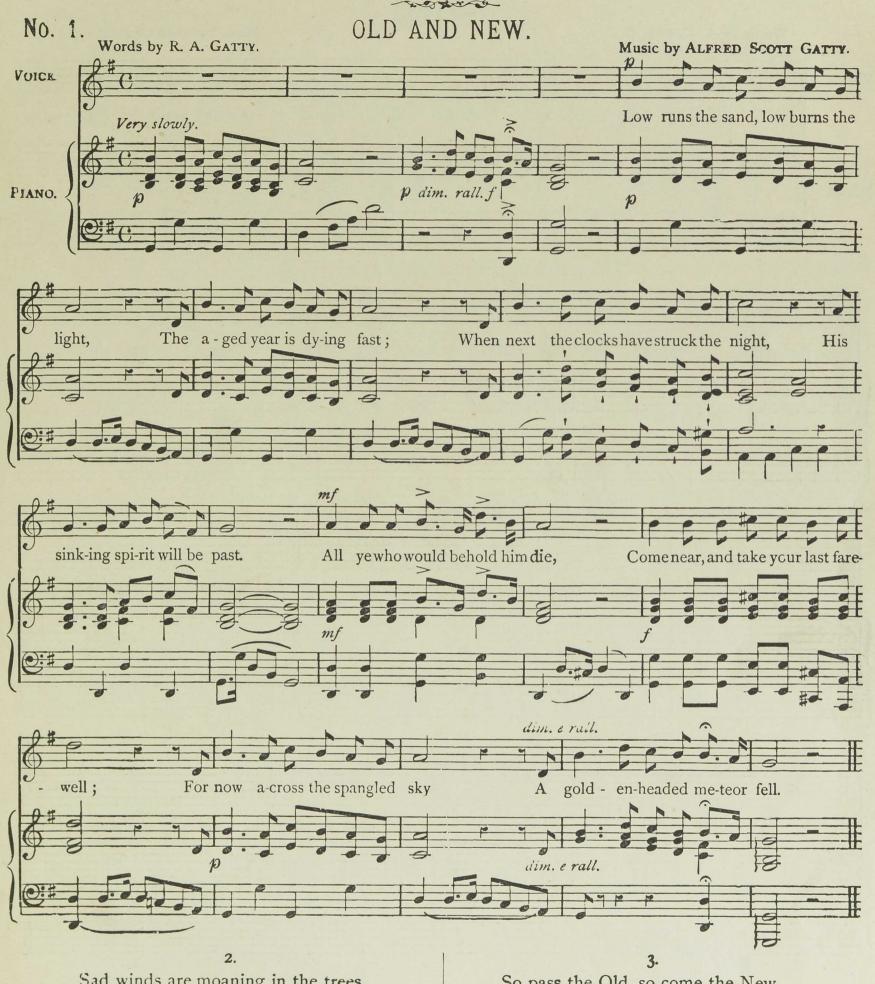
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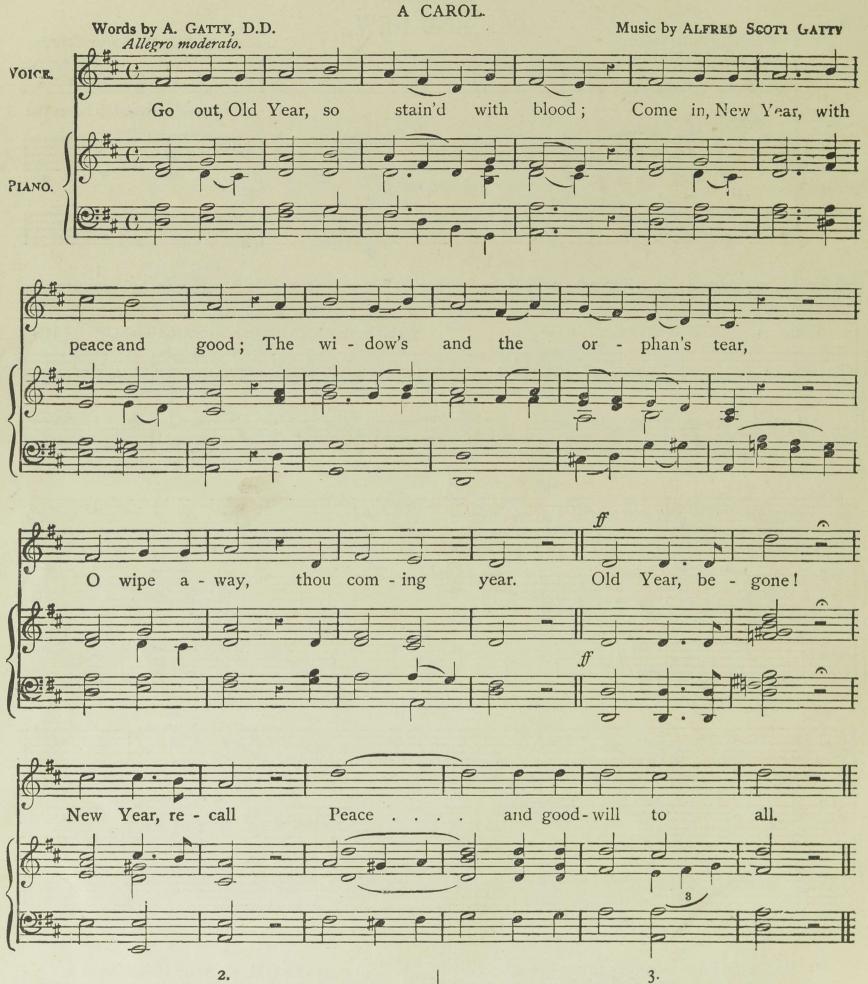


Sad winds are moaning in the trees,
The weary night has ebbed away;
Dark clouds, uplifted by the breeze,
A misty winter's dawn display.
And as the murky shades disband,
In phantom vapours o'er the earth,
Time lifts again the running sand,
And ushers in the New Year's birth.

So pass the Old, so come the New,
From death to life we ever turn;
The bright sun gathers up the dew
That lingers on the forest fern,
Fair hopes allay uneasy fears,
A calm succeeds each troubled wave,
Ah! could the New Year dry the tears
That glitter on the Old Year's grave.

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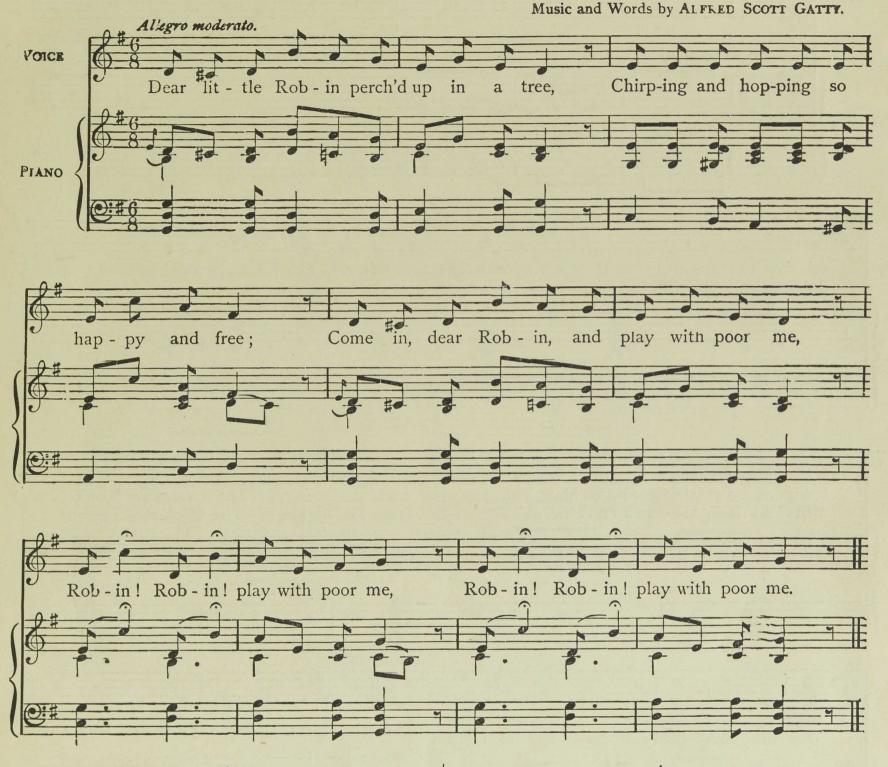
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What scenes, Old Year, thy memories yield—
The dead upon the battle-field,
The leaguered town, the village burned,
The city starved, the throne o'erturned!
Old Year, begone, New Year, recall
Peace and good-will to all!

Old Year, depart, and with thee go
All sounds and scenes of war and woe;
Come in, New Year, with heavenly peace,
And make this strife of nations cease!
Old Year, begone, New Year, recall
Peace and good-will to all!

ROBIN! ROBIN!



I have been ill with a cold in my head, Coughing, and sneezing, and tossing in bed; Do you understand, Robin, what I have said? Robin! Robin! what I have said?

3.

Doctor declares that I must not go out;
My throat is so sore I'm unable to shout,
So all I can do is to sit still and pout,
Robin! Robin! sit still and pout.

Jan Dahin

Robin, dear Robin, if you it won't tease, I should very much like to hear, if you please A Robin like you give a very loud sneeze; Robin! Robin! sneeze if you please.

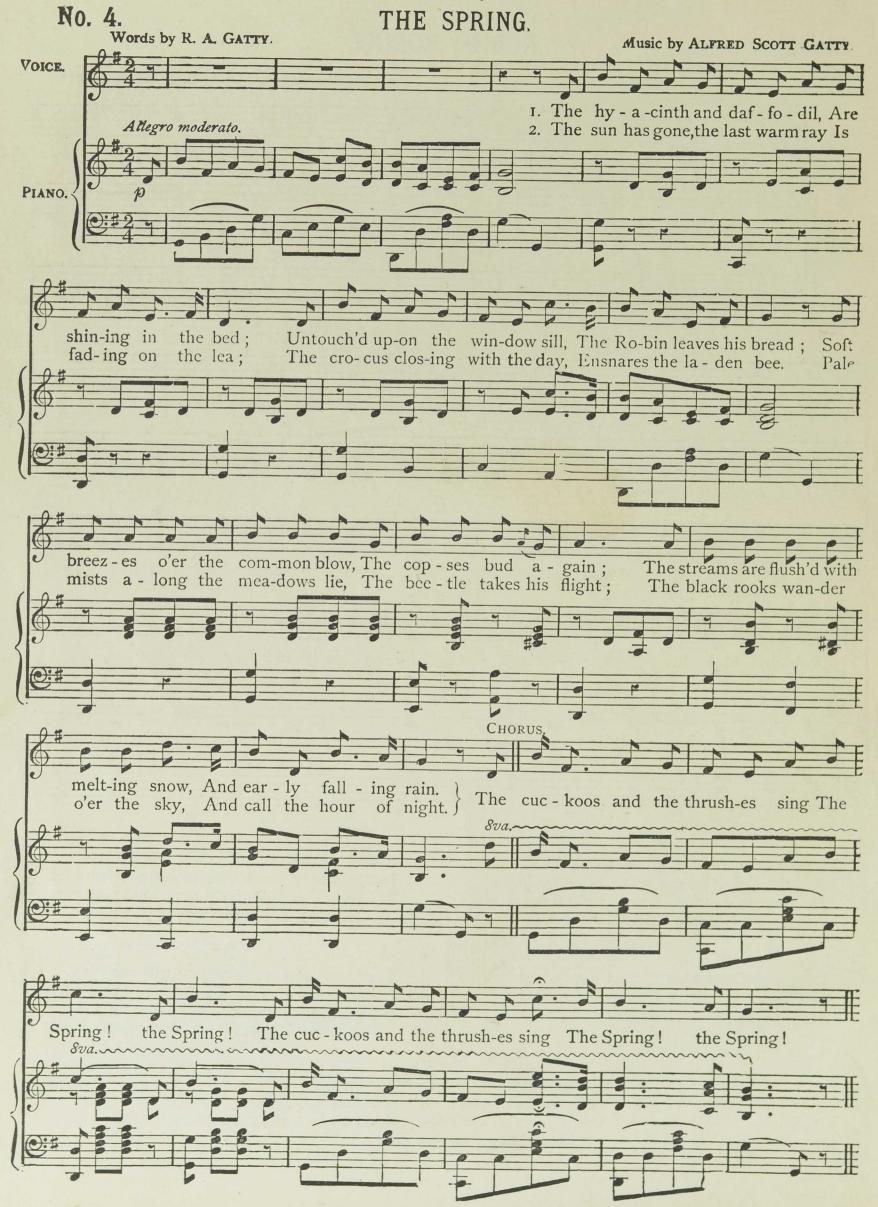
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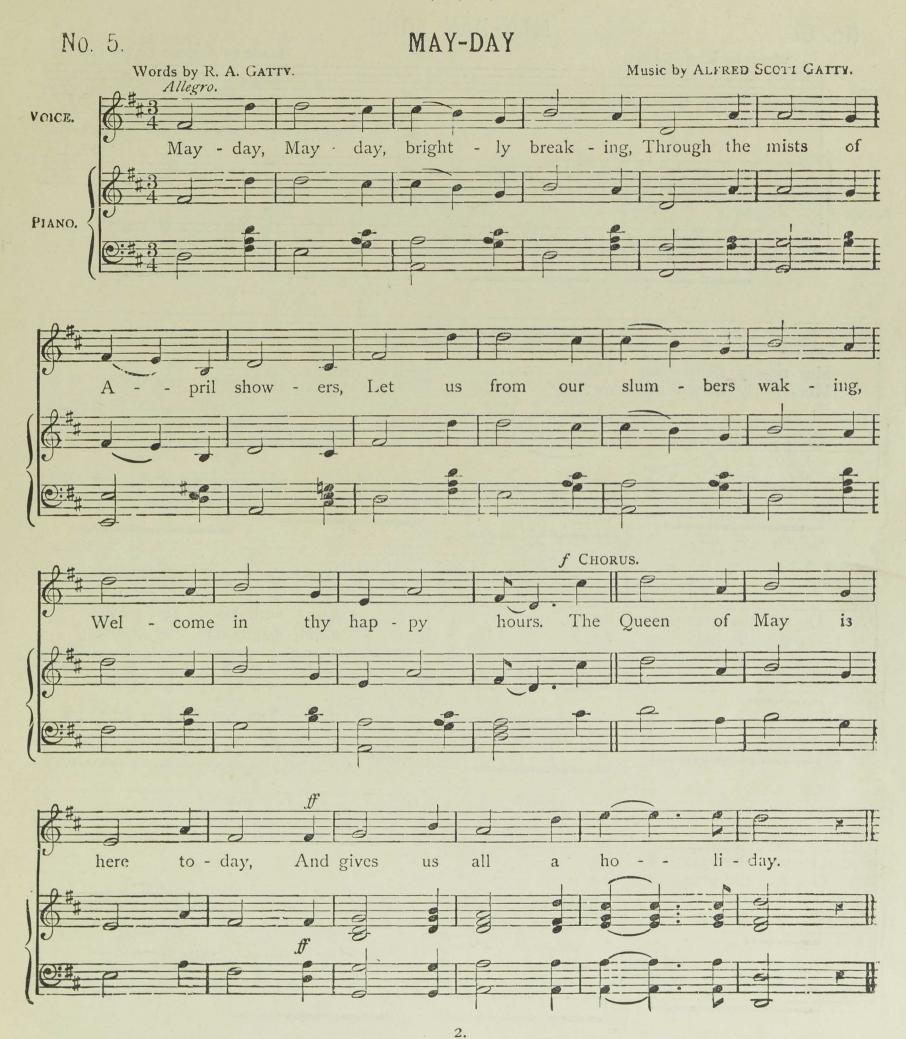
Very well, Robin, since you will not play, I shall not with you one moment more stay; Rude little Robin, do you hear what I say?

Robin! Robin! I wish you good-day!

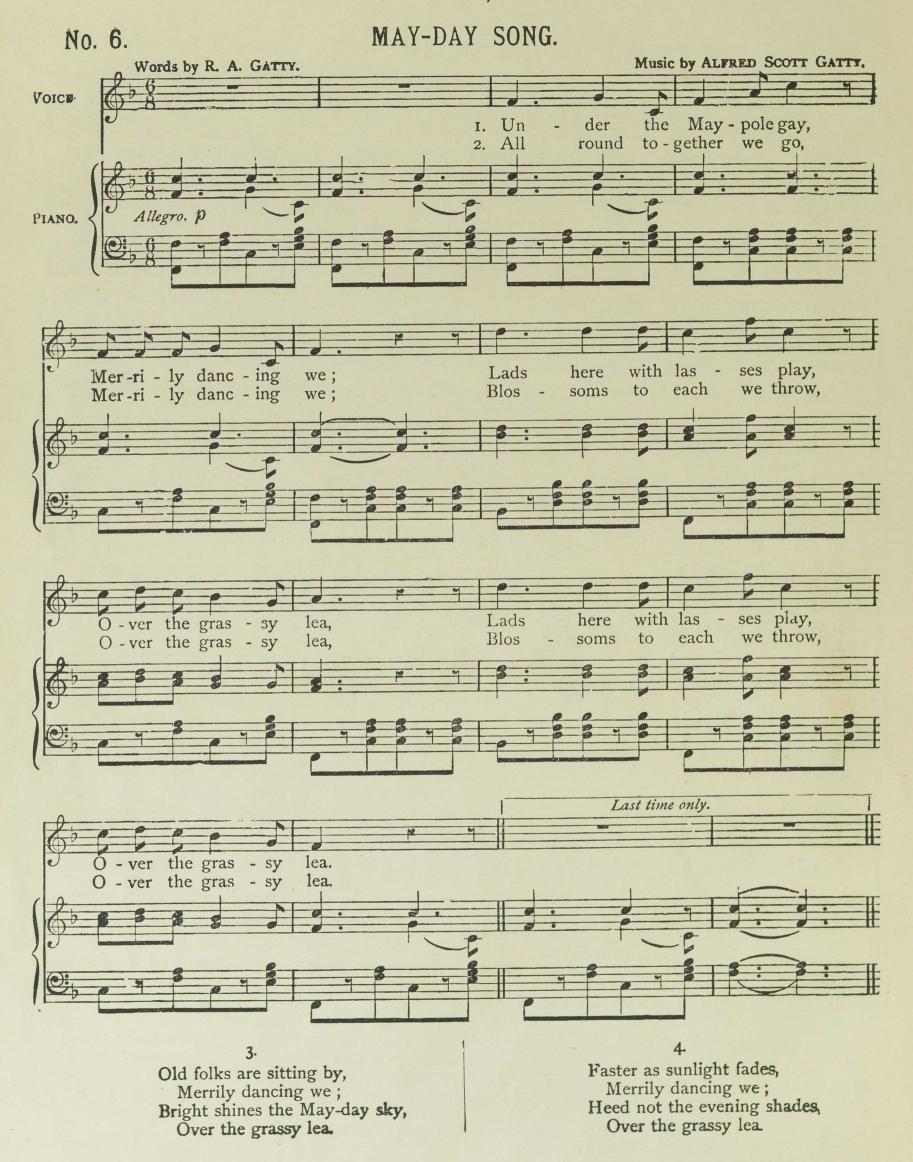
Moral.

A good little moral I have to sing yet; Don't expect more than you're likely to get, And when you are poorly, don't be in a pet; Never, never be in a pet. (6)



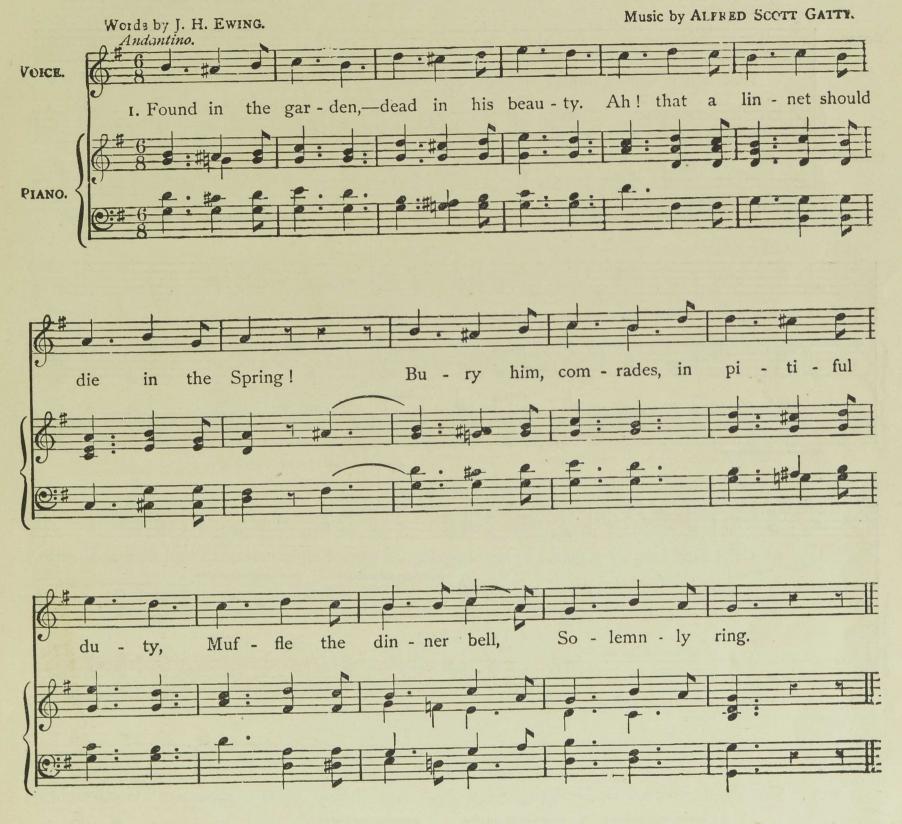


Round the Maypole gaily singing,
Come and scatter wild Spring flowers;
Hark! the bells are loudly ringing
Peals of joy from village towers.
CHORUS.—The Queen of May. &c.



No. 7

THE BURIAL OF THE LINNET.



2.

Bury him kindly—up in the corner;
Bird, beast, and gold-fish are sepulchred there.
Bid the black kitten march as chief mourner,
Waving her tail like a plume in the air.

3

Bury him nobly—next to the donkey;
Fetch the old banner, and wave it about;
Bury him deeply—think of the monkey:
Shallow his grave, and the dogs got him out.

4

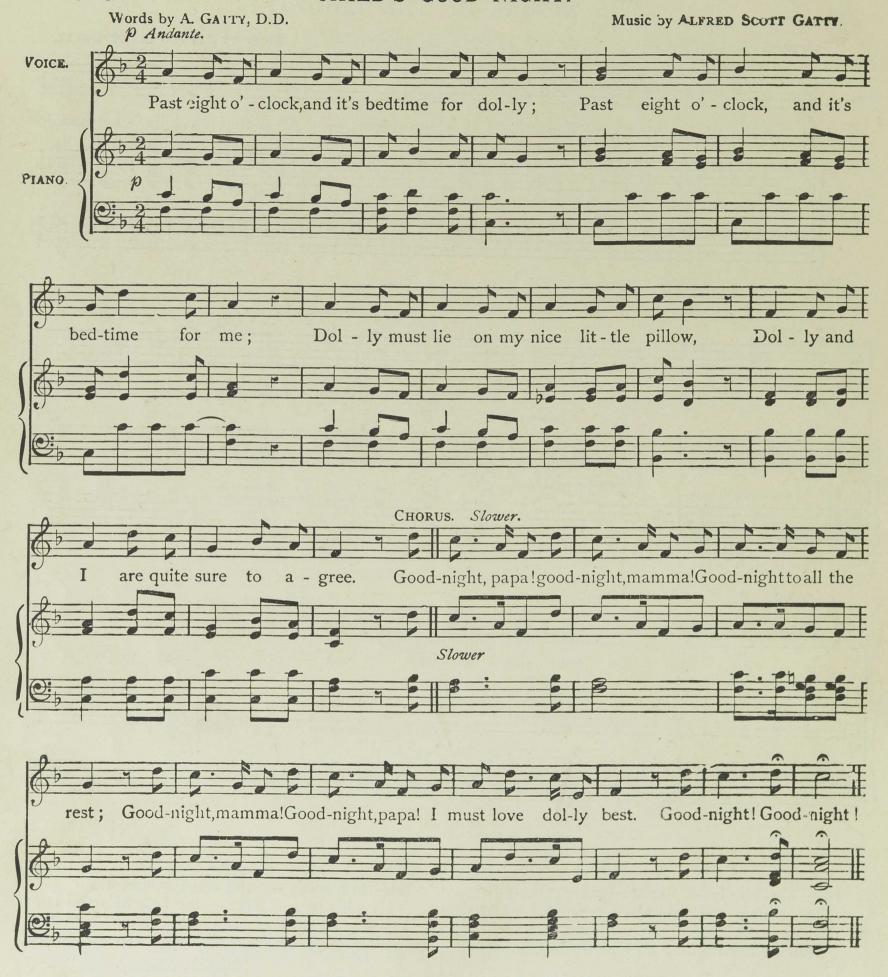
Bury him softly—white wool around him, Kiss his poor feathers—the first kiss and last; Tell his poor widow kind friends have found him. Plant his poor grave with whatever grows fast.

5

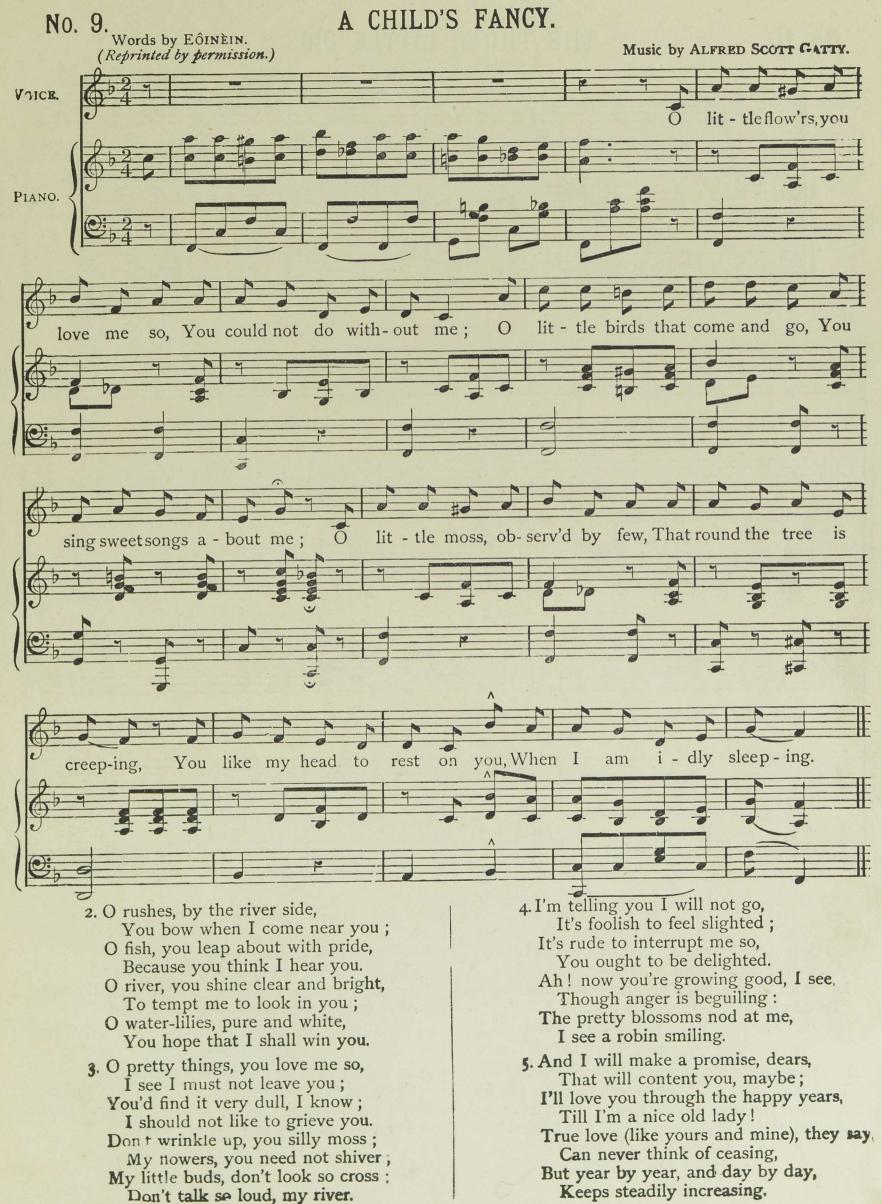
Farewell, sweet singer! dead in thy beauty,
Silent through summer, though other birds sing,
Bury him, comrades, in pitiful duty,
Muffle the dinner-bell, mounfully ring.

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CHILD'S GOOD-NIGHT.

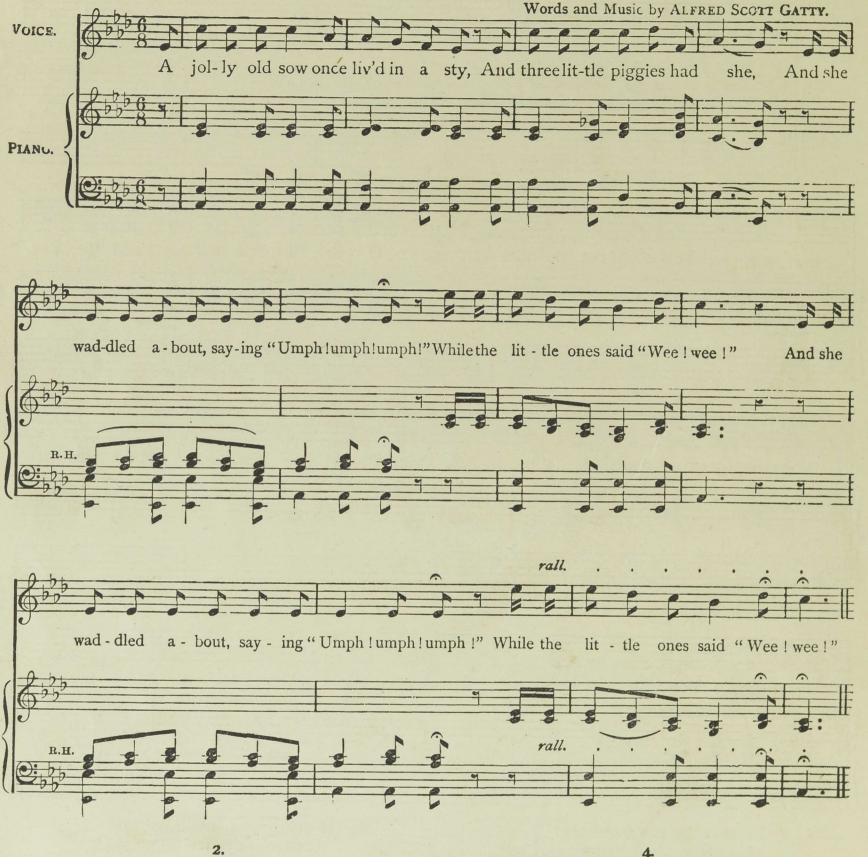


2. Nurse, put the light out, for I am so sleepy;
Shut your eyes, dolly, and give me a kiss;
Nursey, good-night, I shall see you to-morrow,
Call me and dolly, and mind you don't miss.
CHORUS.—Good-night, papa! &c.



No. 10.

THE THREE LITTLE PIGS.



My dear little brothers," said one of the brats,
"My dear little piggies," said he,
Let us all for the future say 'Umph! umph! umph!'
Tis so childish to say 'Wee! wee!"

3

Then these little pigs grew skinny and lean,
And lean they might very well be; [umph!"
For somehow they couldn't say "Umph! umph!
And they wouldn't say "Wee! wee! wee!"

So after a time these little pigs died,

They all died of felo de se;

From trying too hard to say "Umph! umph! umph!"

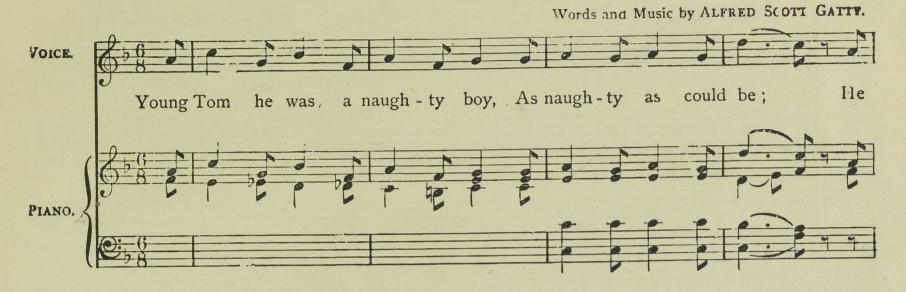
When they only could say "Wee! wee!"

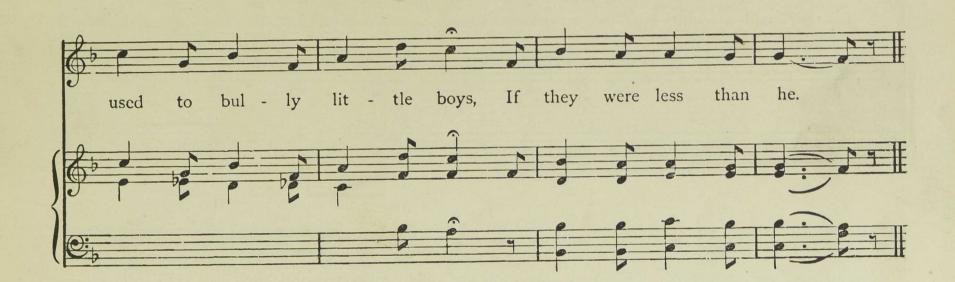
Moral.

A moral there is to this little song,
A moral that's easy to see; [umpli!'
Don't try while yet young to say "Umph! umph!
For you only can say "Wee! wee!"

No. 11

NAUGHTY TOM.





2.

In Summer time, when boys did bathe
In ponds and streams with him;
He used to fill their little boots
With water to the brim.

3.

And then, if they began to cry,
He'd box their little ears;
And pinch their little rosy cheeks,
So damp and wet with tears.

4.

These little boys ne'er told their Ma'as,
Because they did not dare;
For Tom had said, that if they did,
He'd pull their curly hair

5.

But one fine day a great big man,
Came down to watch them swim,
And caught Tom filling all their boots
With water to the brim.

6.

He boxed Tom's ears, and pulled his nain.

Till he did kick and scream;

And then he took him by the heels

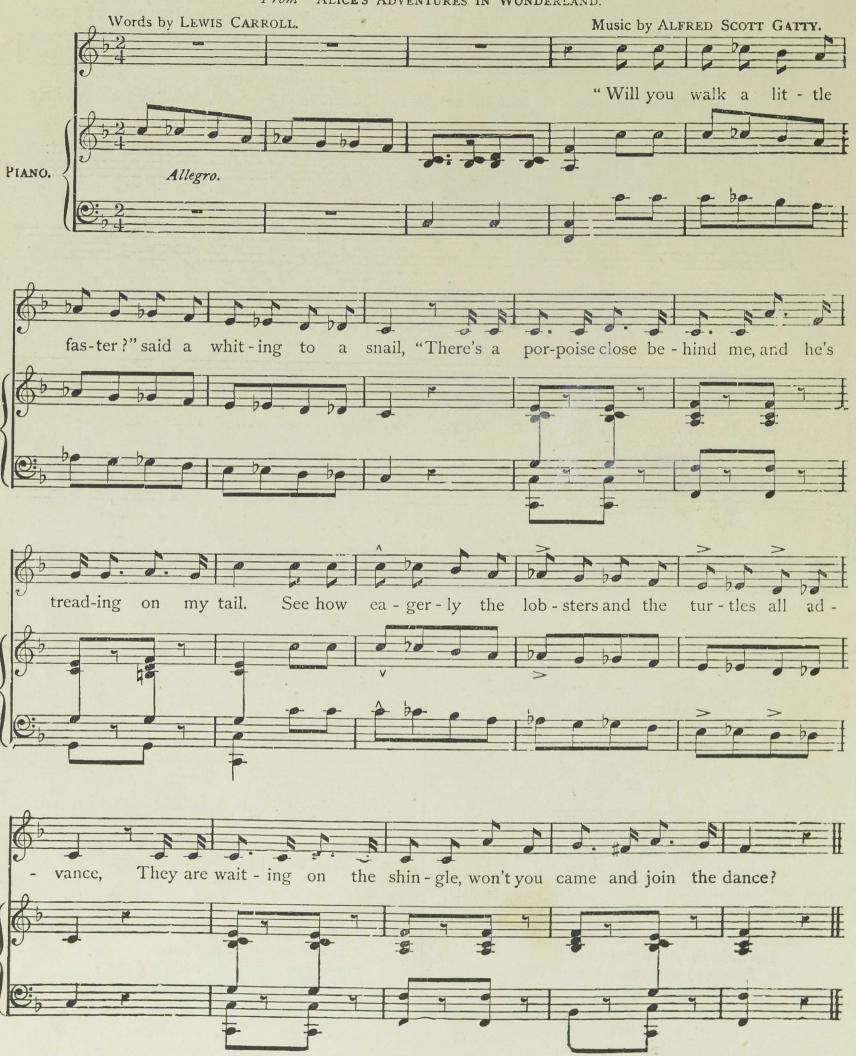
And threw him in the stream.

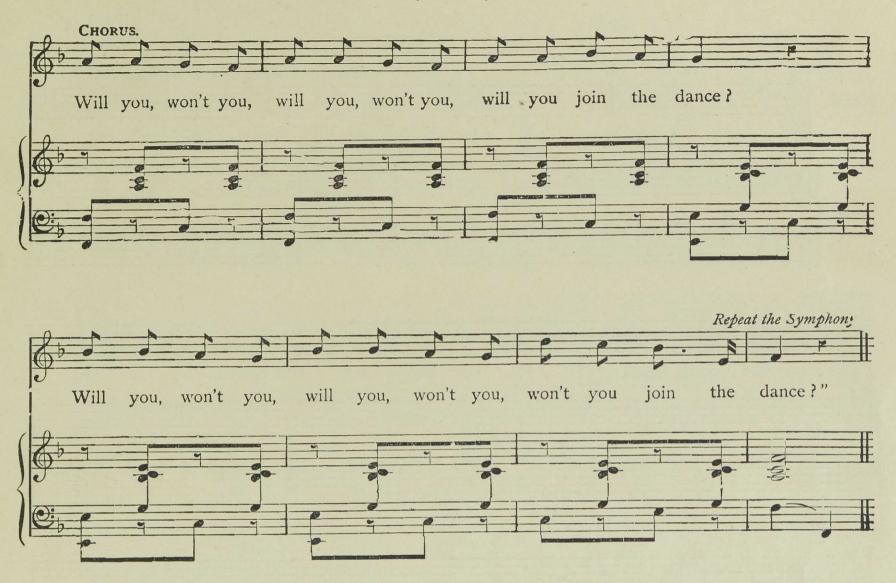
Moral.

That naughty deeds will find you out,
Is the moral of my song;
But if you try to do what's right,
You never will go wrong.

No. 12. "WILL YOU WALK A LITTLE FASTER?"

From "ALICE'S ADVENTURES IN WONDERLAND."





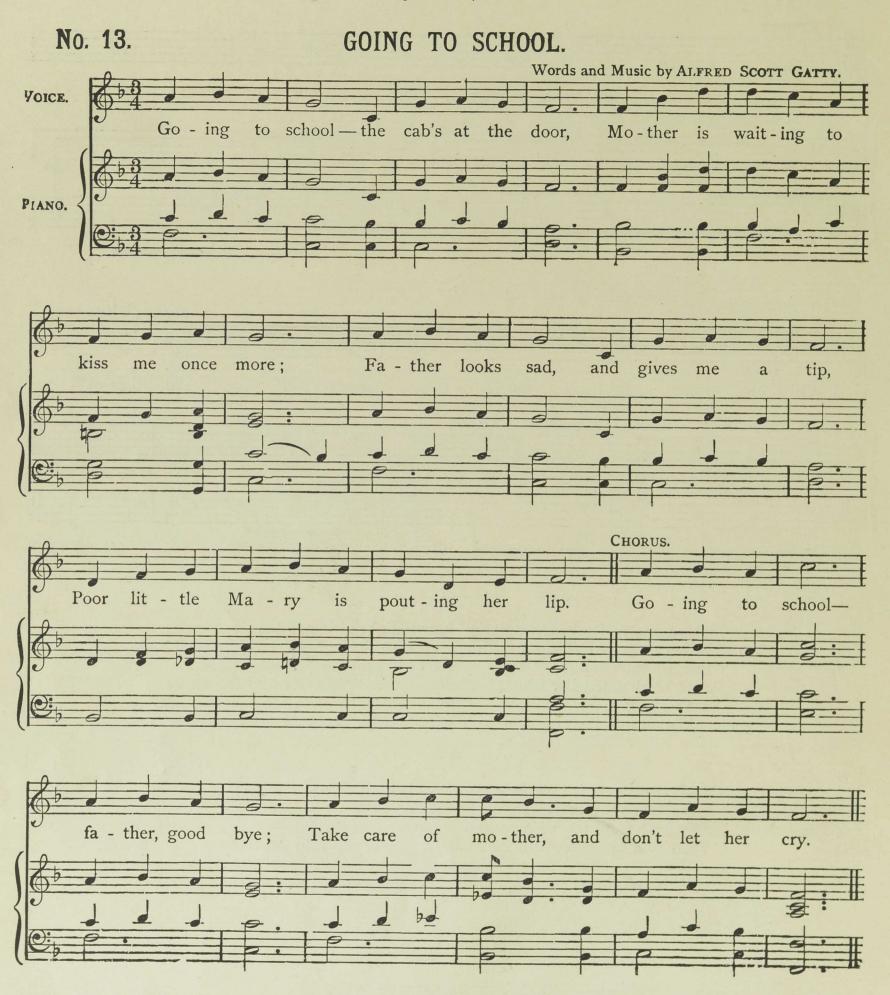
"You can really have no notion how delightful it will be,
When they take us up and throw us, with the lobsters, out to sea!"
But the snail replied, "Too far, too far!" and gave a look askance—
Said he thanked the whiting kindly, but he would not join the dance.
Would not, could not, would not, could not, would not join the dance,
Would not, could not, would not, could not join the dance.

2.

3.

"What matters it how far we go?" his scaly friend replied;
"There is another shore, you know, upon the other side—
The further off from England, the nearer is to France—
Then turn not pale, beloved snail, but come and join the dance.
Will you, won't you, will you, won't you, will you join the dance?
Will you, won't you, will you, won't you, won't you join the dance?



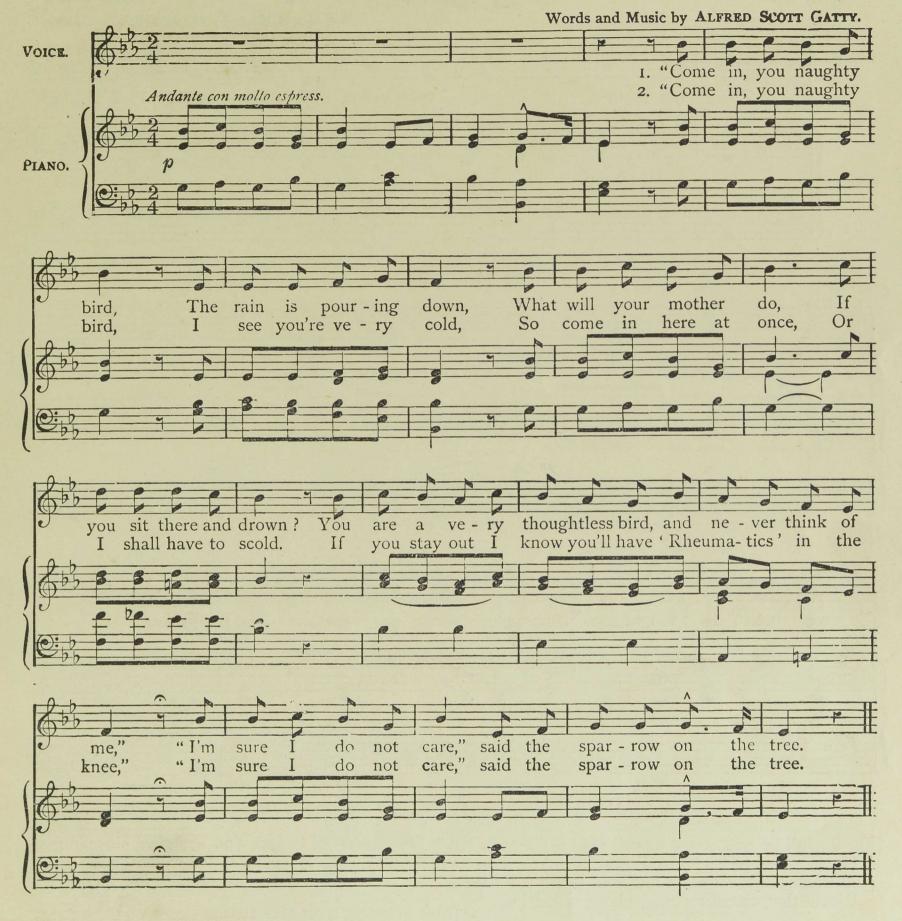


2.

Going to school—I know it's "a bore,"
Oh! that the cab had not come to the door;
"Prog" in my box, and gold in my purse,
Things arn't so bad, but they might have been worse.
CHORUS.—Going to school, &c.

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THE SPARROW ON THE TREE.

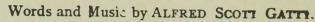


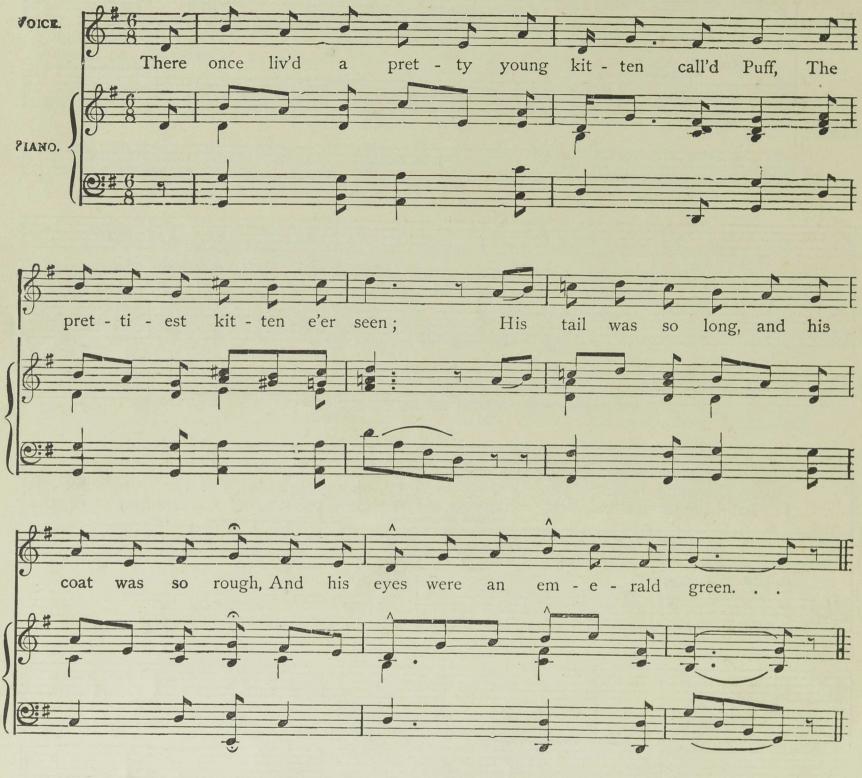
"Come in, my darling bird,
And sit by me in here,
I'll dry your little wings,
They must be wet, I fear;
Please come into this barn, my son,
And 'cuddle' close to me—"
But ne'er another word
Said the sparrow on the tree.

The little bird was drowned;
The mother hung her head;
Next morning, as I passed,
I found her lying dead.
So never say, "You do not care,"
For "don't care," as you see,
Is certain to be drowned,
Like the sparrow on the tree.

No. 15.

PUFF!





But though he was pretty he grieved his mamma,
His manners to her were so gruff; [Ha!"
And whenever she'd scold him he'd laugh out "Ha!
Would that naughty young kitten called Puff.

3

His mother one day said to her son and heir,

"I cannot now catch mice enough [care,"

"For us both;" but he answered, "I'm sure I don't
Did that naughty young kitten called Puff.

4

His mother then said, "Oh how naughty you are;
"I really must give you a cuff;"

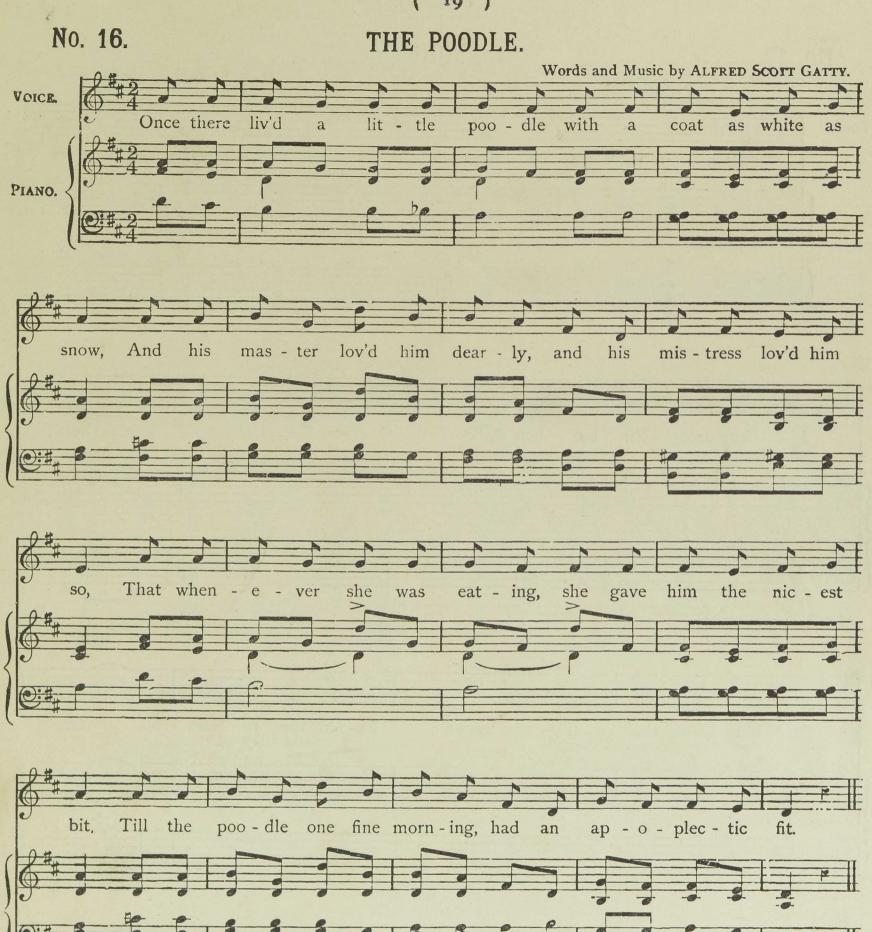
On this he showed temper, and scratched his mamma, Did that naughty young kitten called Puff.

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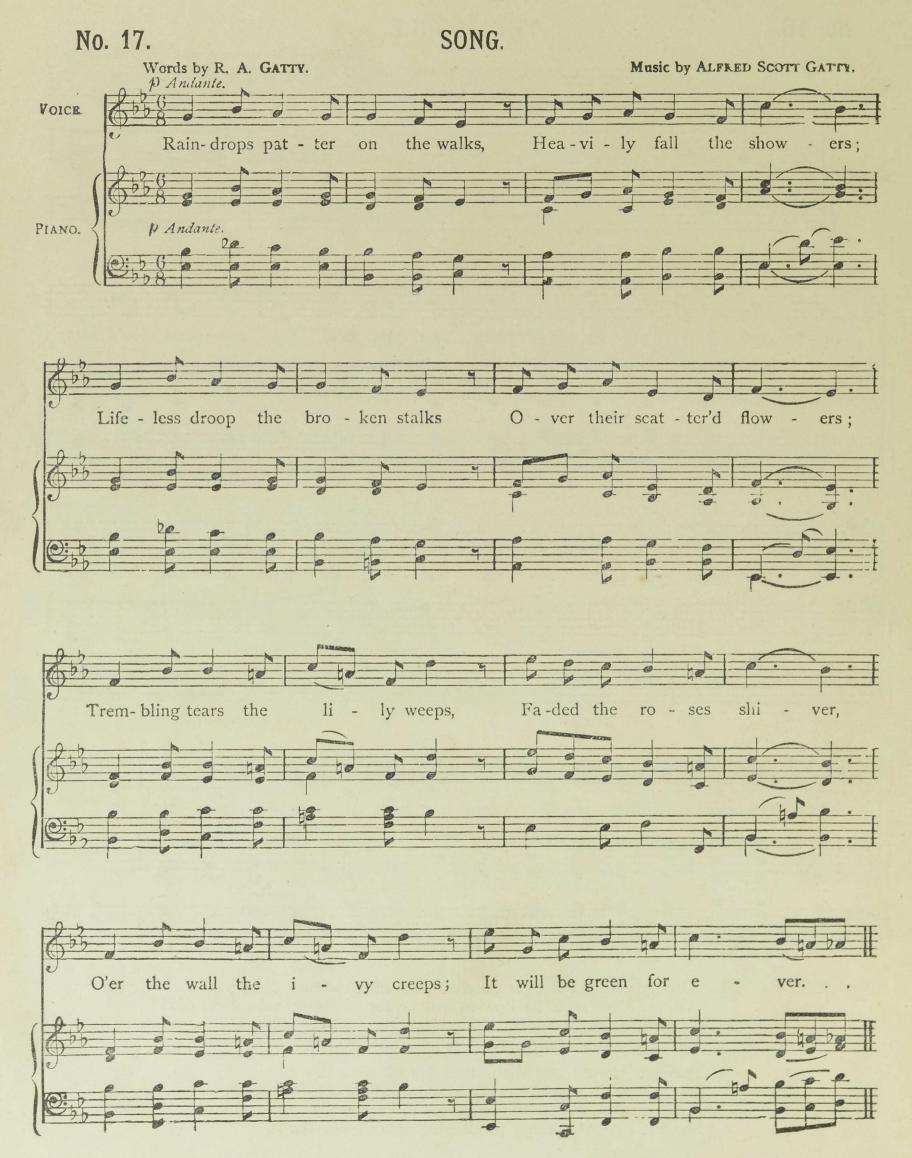
Now growling most fiercely, and watching them fight, Stood a French poodle covered with fluff; And his feelings being shocked by this terrible sight, He bit that young kitten called Puff.

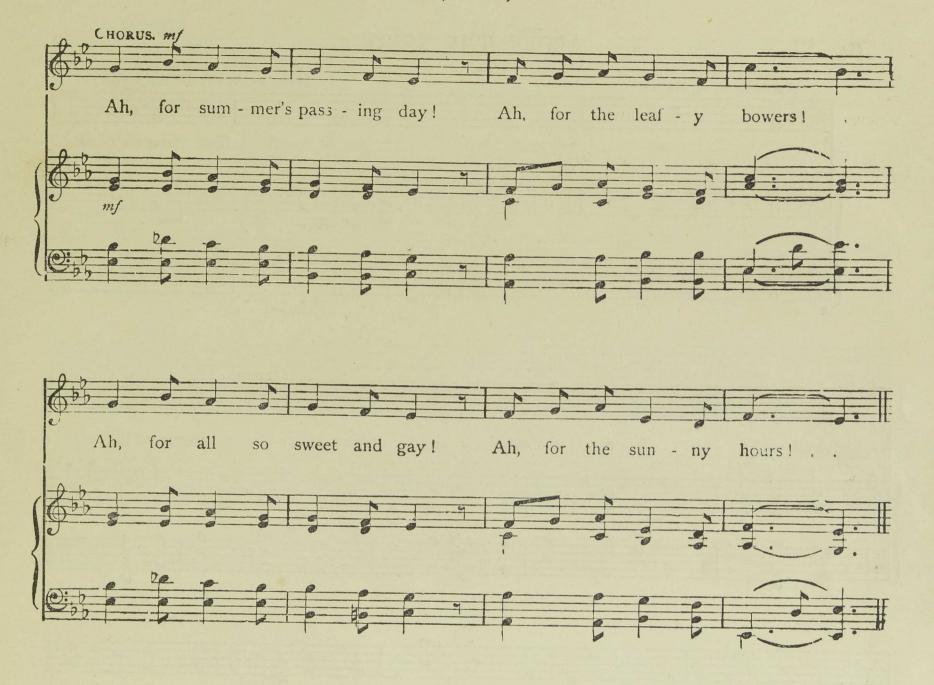
6.

From this you can all see 'tis much better far
To avoid getting into a "huff;"
So never show temper or scratch your mamma,
Like that naughty young kitten called Puft



- 2. "Oh my poodle! darling poodle!" his mistress then did cry;
 "Oh my sweetest little Bow-wow-wow, for goodness' sake don't die!" But the poodle gave a little yelp, and then he softly sighed, Then wagged his fluffy little tail, and quietly he died.
- 3. Then she fretted, and she fretted, but all, alas, in vain, So she made a vow she never would keep poodle dogs again; But how weak is human nature, ere three months had gone past, She had bought another poodle dog exactly like the last.





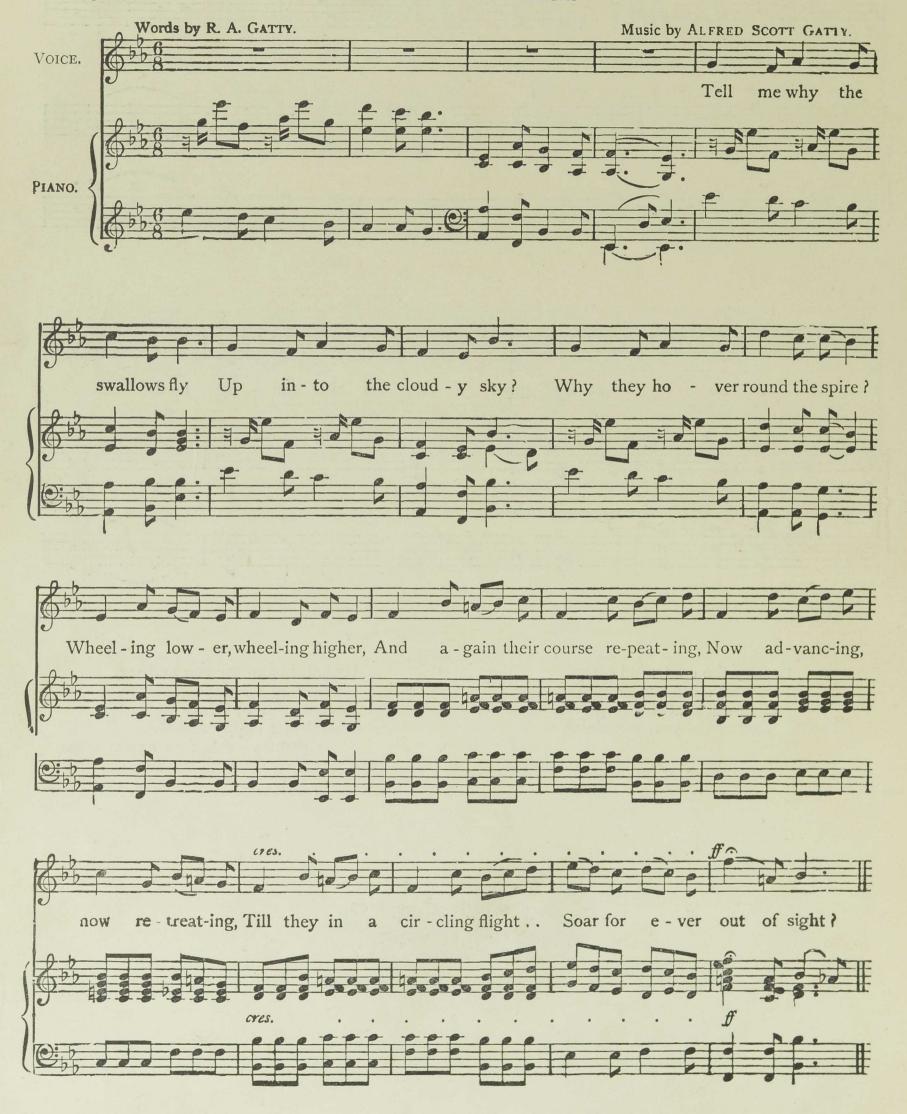
Cruelly the cold wind blows,
Pitiless storms are raining;
Gather not that ling'ring rose,
Last of the year remaining:

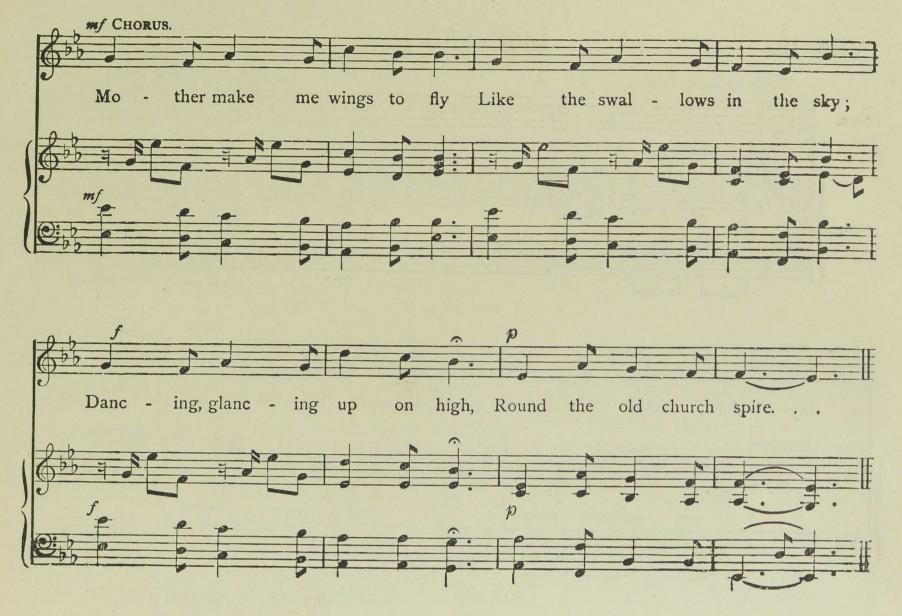
It shall bloom for you and me,
Cheering the days of sorrow;
Faithful sign of things to be,
And of a happy morrow.
CHORUS.—Ah, for summer's,



No. 18.

ABOVE THE SPIRE.





2.

Summer swallows always go
When the bitter north winds blow,
And the heavy clouds are pouring,
Overflowing rivers roaring;
Racing down their pebbly courses
Like a troop of foaming horses,
Onward to the open sea,
Madly struggling to be free!

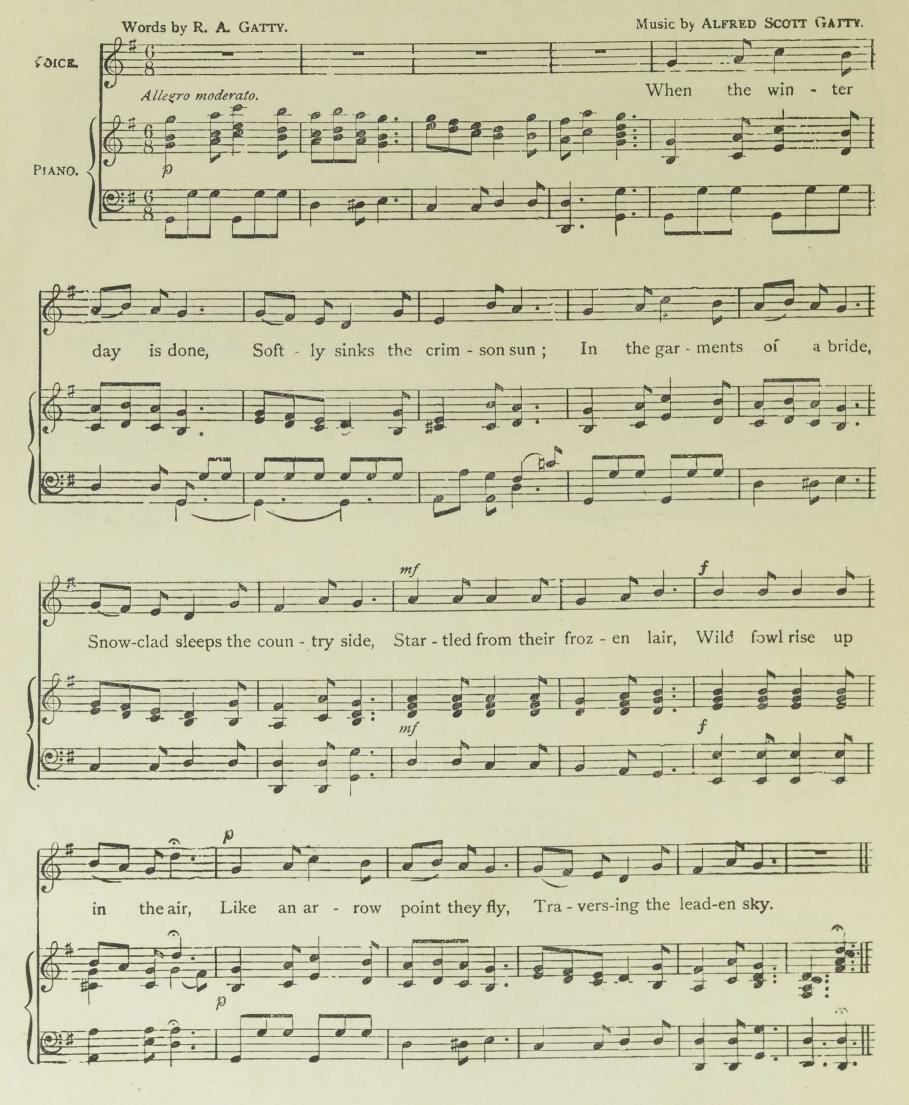
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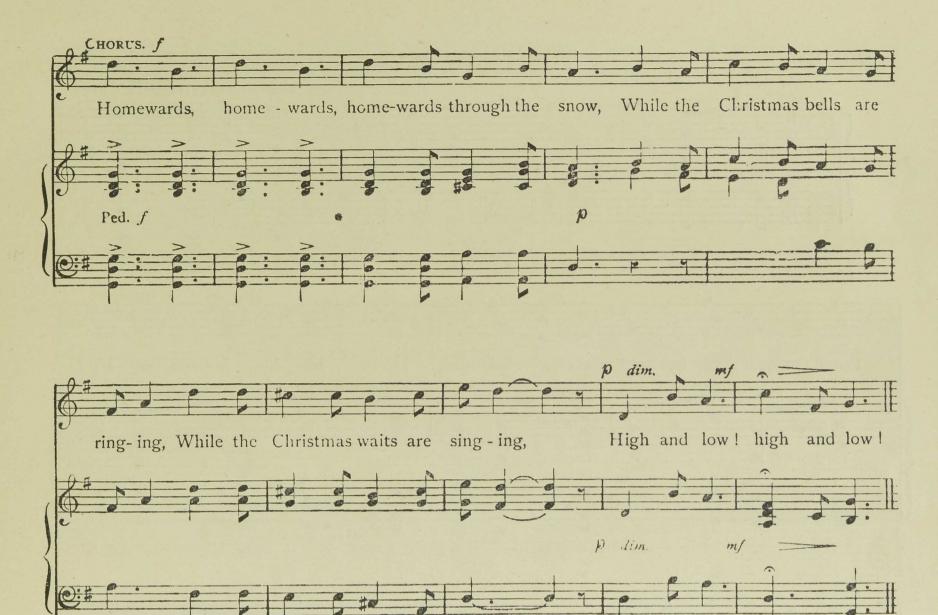
Child, hereafter you shall fly, Like the swallows in the sky; Unknown lands there are on high, Far above the spire!



No. 19.

HIGH AND LOW.





2.

Travellers pass up and down,
From the country, from the town;
Laden trains with Christmas cheer,
Plunging through the fog appear.
Snow-drifts choke the narrow ways,
Causing dangers and delays;
And the railway-signals loom,
Colouring the misty gloom.

CHORUS.

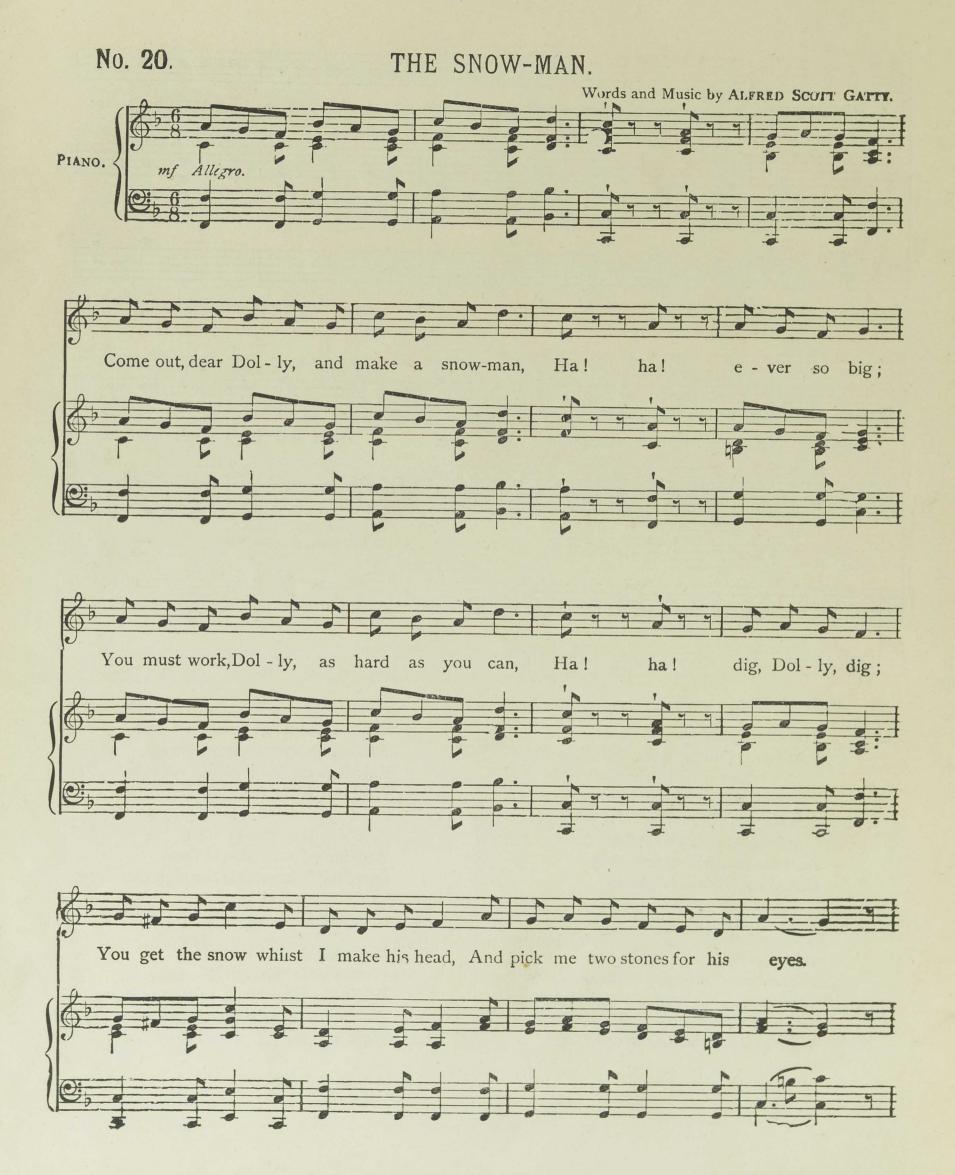
Homewards, homewards,
Homewards through the snow,
While the Christmas bells are ringing,
While the Christmas waits are singing,
High and low, high and low!

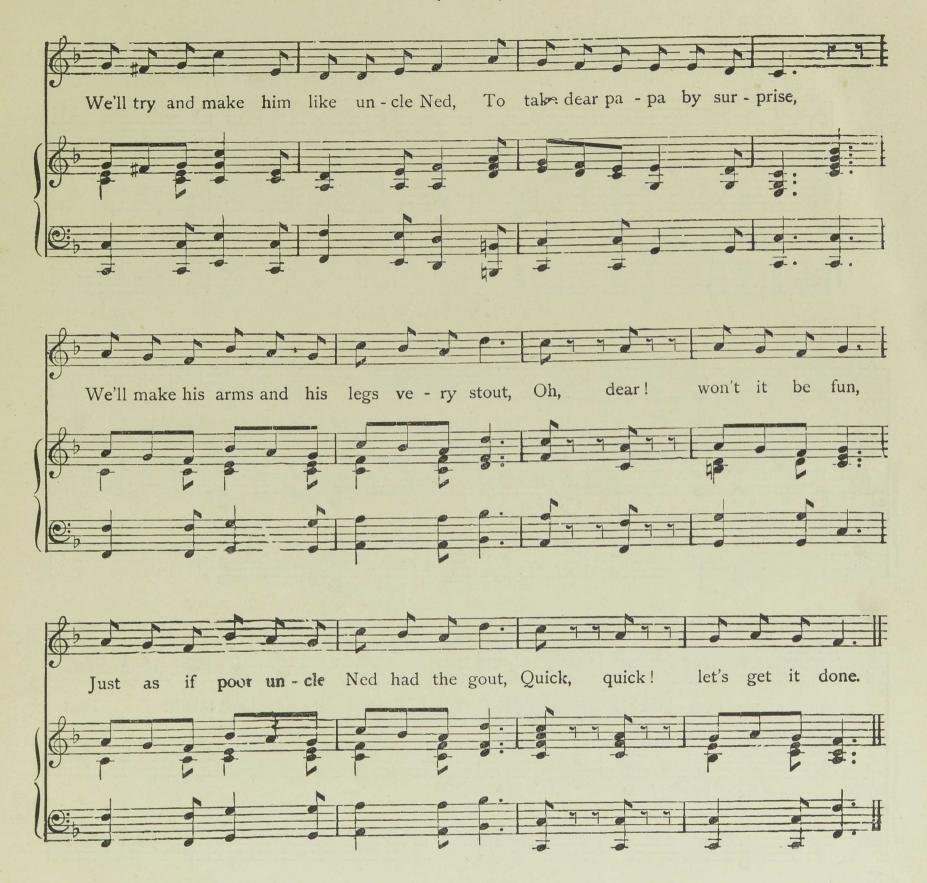
3.

Decked about the house are seen Smiling sprays of evergreen; Yule logs on the hearthstone roar, Wild winds beat against the door; Fond eyes at the frosted panes Peer into the snowy lanes, Watching for an absent form Speeding homewards through the storm

CHORUS for this verse only.

Homewards, homewards,
Homewards through the snow,
While the Christmas bells are ringing.
And a Peace to all are bringing,
High and low!



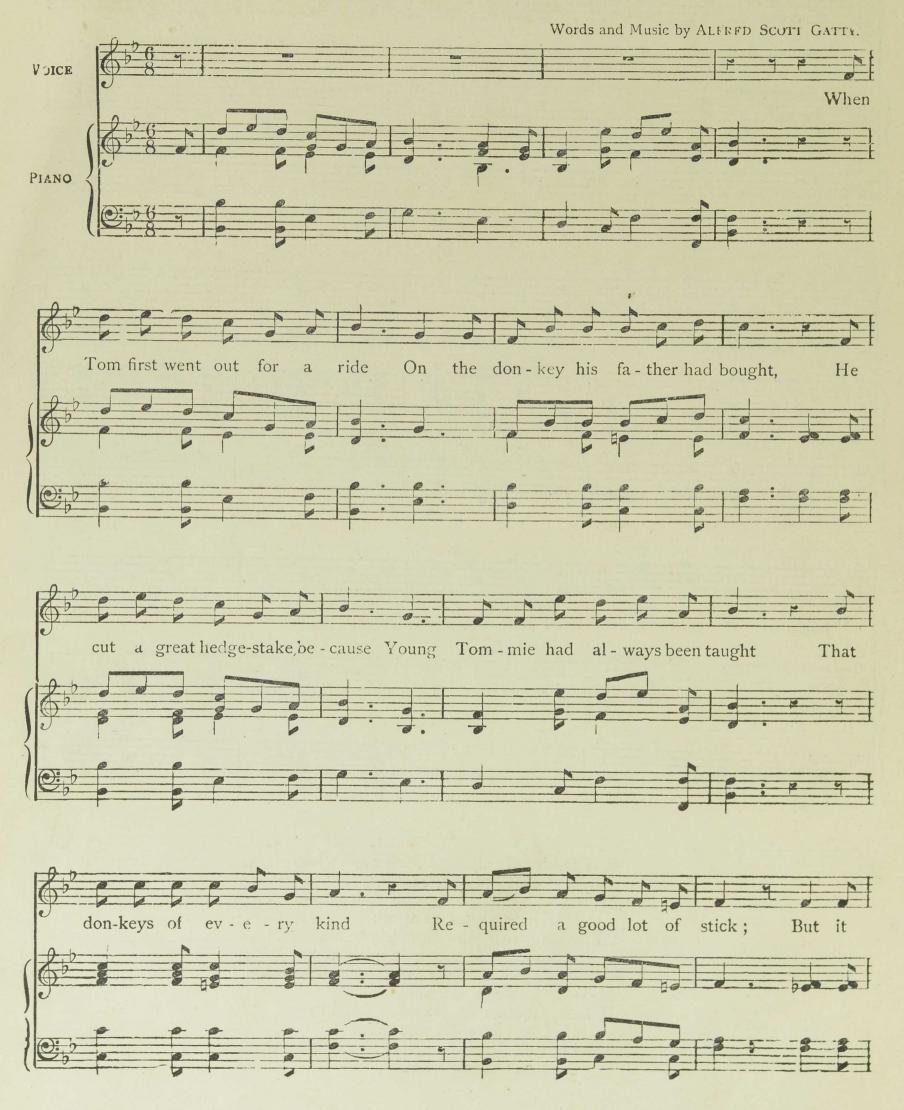


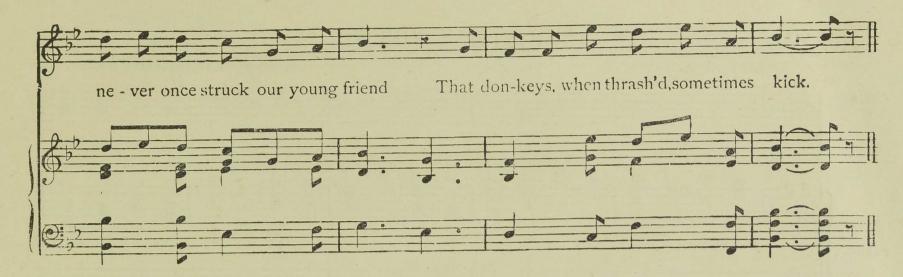
2.

Run in, dear Dolly, and fetch papa's hat,
Ha! ha! out of the hall;
Oh! what a pity we've made him so at,
Ha! ha! 't wont fit at all.
Oh! Dolly, dear, how clumsy you are
You've knocked a great hole in the side
Of father's new hat, and here comes mamma.
So Dolly let's run and hide.
If, Dolly, mother should ask by and bye,
Ha! ha! how did you that?
Tell her we'll save all our pennies to buy—
Ha! ha! father a hat.

No. 21.

THOMAS AND THE DONKEY.





2.

He sprang on the back of old "Ned,"
And off down the drive they both flew,
To keep in the saddle at all
Was all that young Tommie could do
But all things must come to an end,
And so our friend Tommie now found,
For "Ned" on a sudden drew up,
And then began smelling the ground

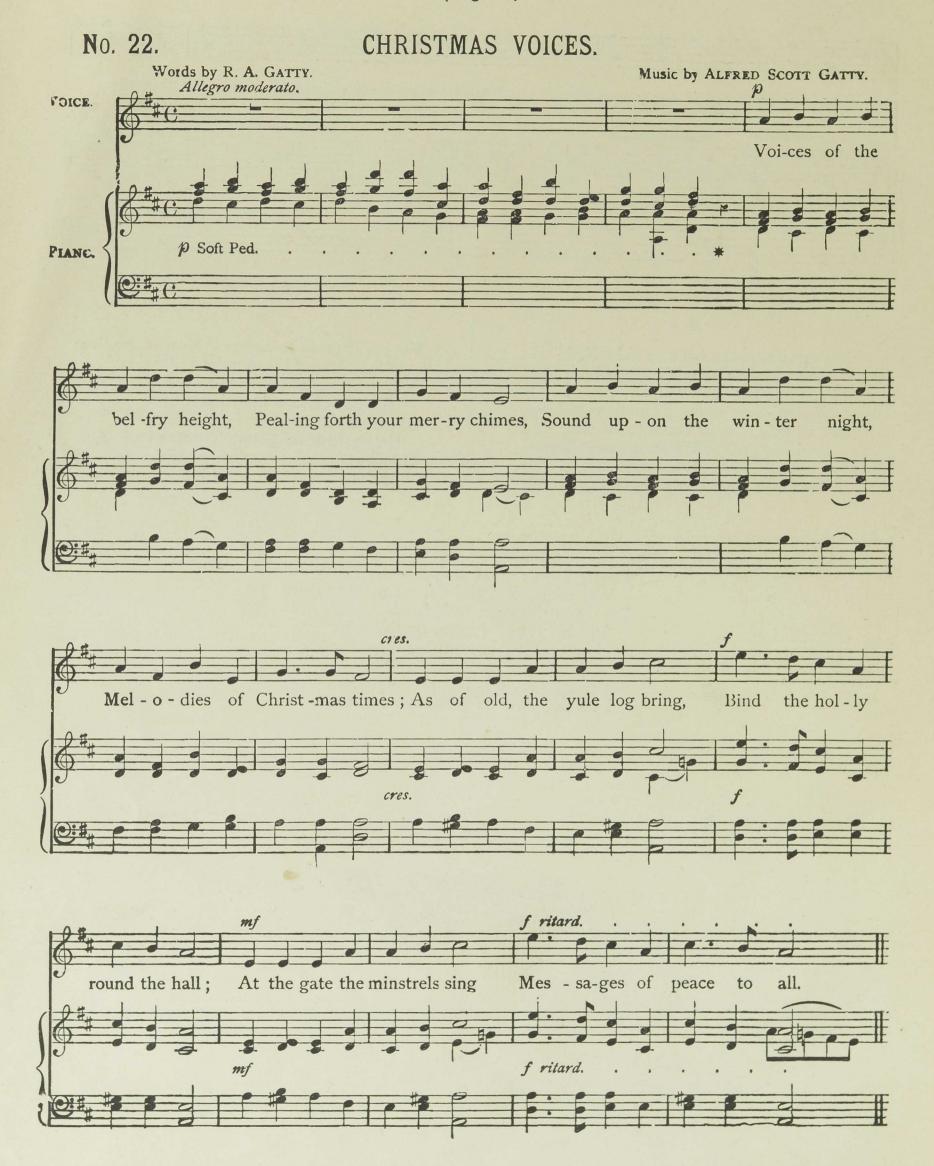
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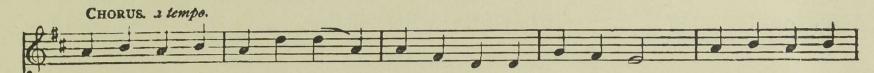
Young Thomas thought—" Now is the time!
Who's master I'll soon let him know,"
And grasping the stick with firm hand,
He dealt the ass blow upon blow.
Old Edward stood all for a time,
He heard what young Thomas had said,
Then suddenly up went his heels,
And Thomas fled over his head.

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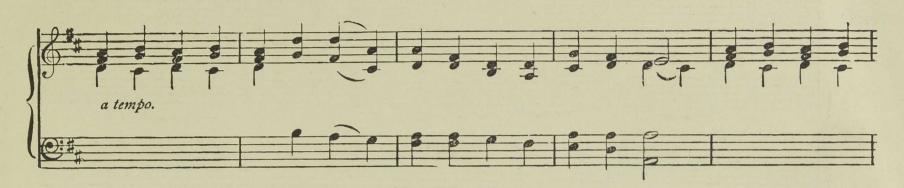
Young Tom, like all bullies when faced,
Was frightened, and daren't mount again,
But threw the great hedge-stake away,
And led Edward home by the rein.
So, boys, pray take warning from Tom,
And don't be too eager to pass
For much braver lads than you are,
Lest you have to giveway to an ass,

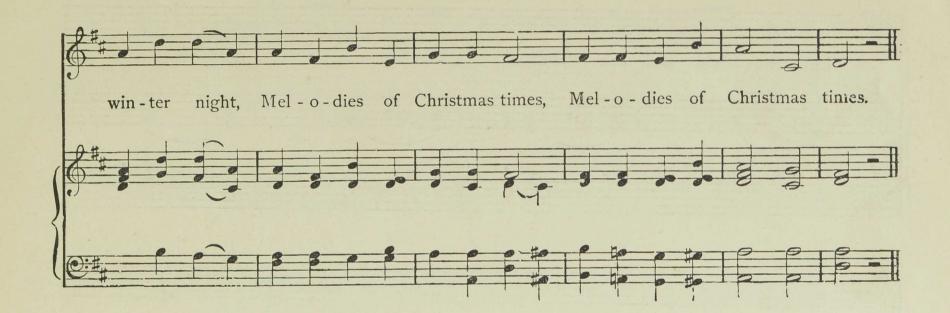






Voi-ces of the bel-fry height, Peal-ing forth your mer-ry chimes, Sound up on the





2

Voices of the Christmas morn,
Calling to the sleeping West;
Ere the crimson light is born,
And the stars are gone to rest.
Wake the traveller who lies,
Lost upon the frozen earth;
Underneath the snowy skies,
Dreaming of a Christmas hearth.

CHORUS.

Voices of the belfry height,
Pealing forth your merry chimes,
Sound upon the winter night,
Melodies of Christmas times

3.

Voices of the Christmas day,
May your echoes never cease,
As the seasons pass away,
Heralding a world's increase.
Through the mysteries of years,
Stands alone the Truth divine;
Through the clouds of darkest fears
Starlike, will it ever shine.

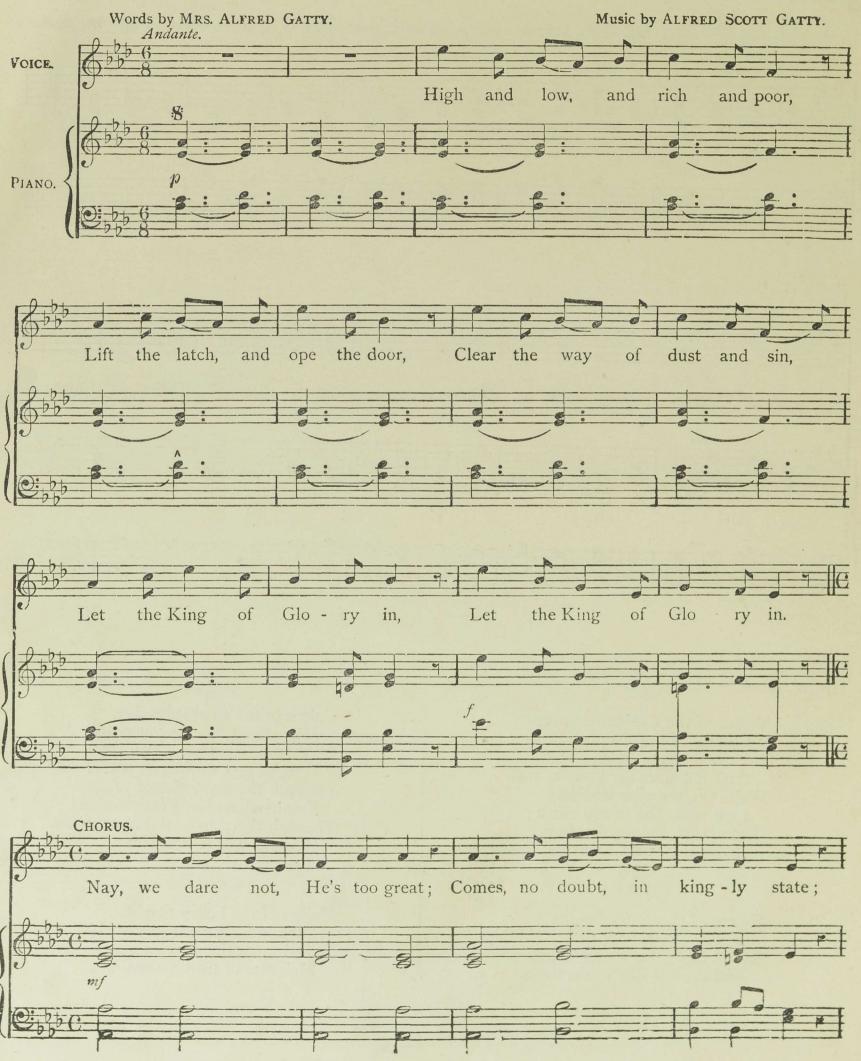
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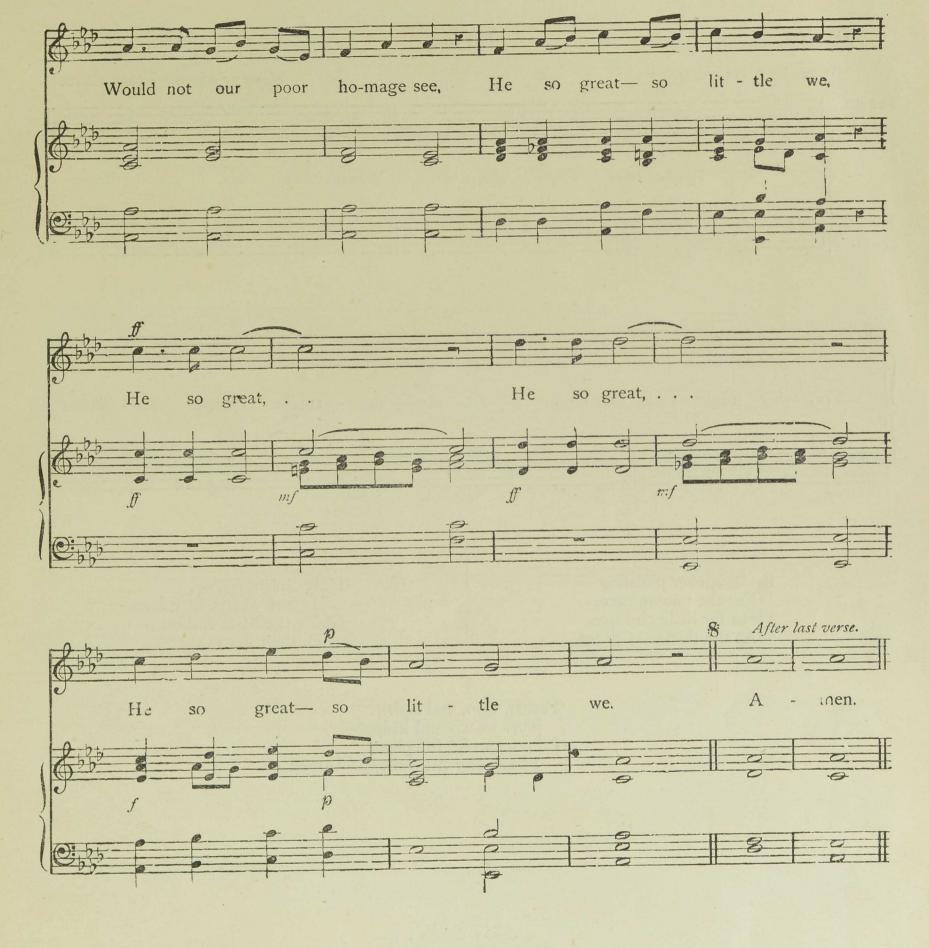
Voices of the belfry height,
Pealing forth your merry chimes,
Sound upon the merry night,
Melodies of Christmas times.

No. 23.

"INFANT CHRIST."

A CHRISTMAS CAROL.





"But as King He comes not now, Veiled, the crown upon His brow; See Him here, of pomp despoiled, See Him here a little child."

> Is this so? then open wide Gates and doors on every side, Yet to this our Infant King, Say what homage shall we bring?

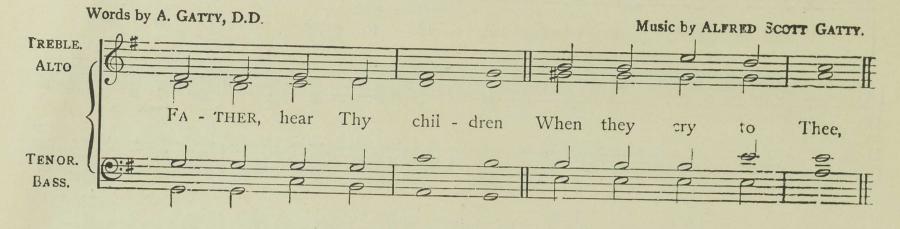
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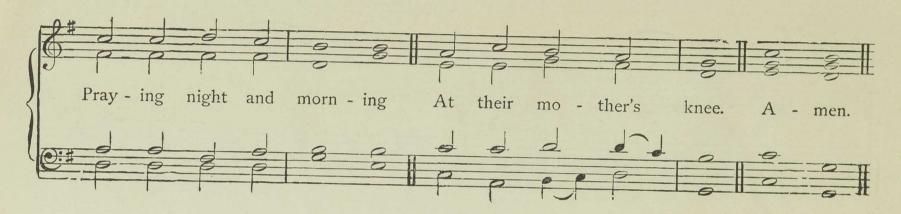
"One, His love to great and small, One, the homage due from all; Sweet and easy is your part, 'Tis to take Him to your heart."

Blessed Christmas, when you bring Royal child, and childlike King; Grace be ours to do our part, Take Him, take Him to our heart.

No. 24.

HYMN.





2.

Saviour, ever pleading
For the human race,
Plead for little children
At the throne of grace.

3.

Holy Spirit, filling
Human hearts with love,
Guide the little children
To their home above.

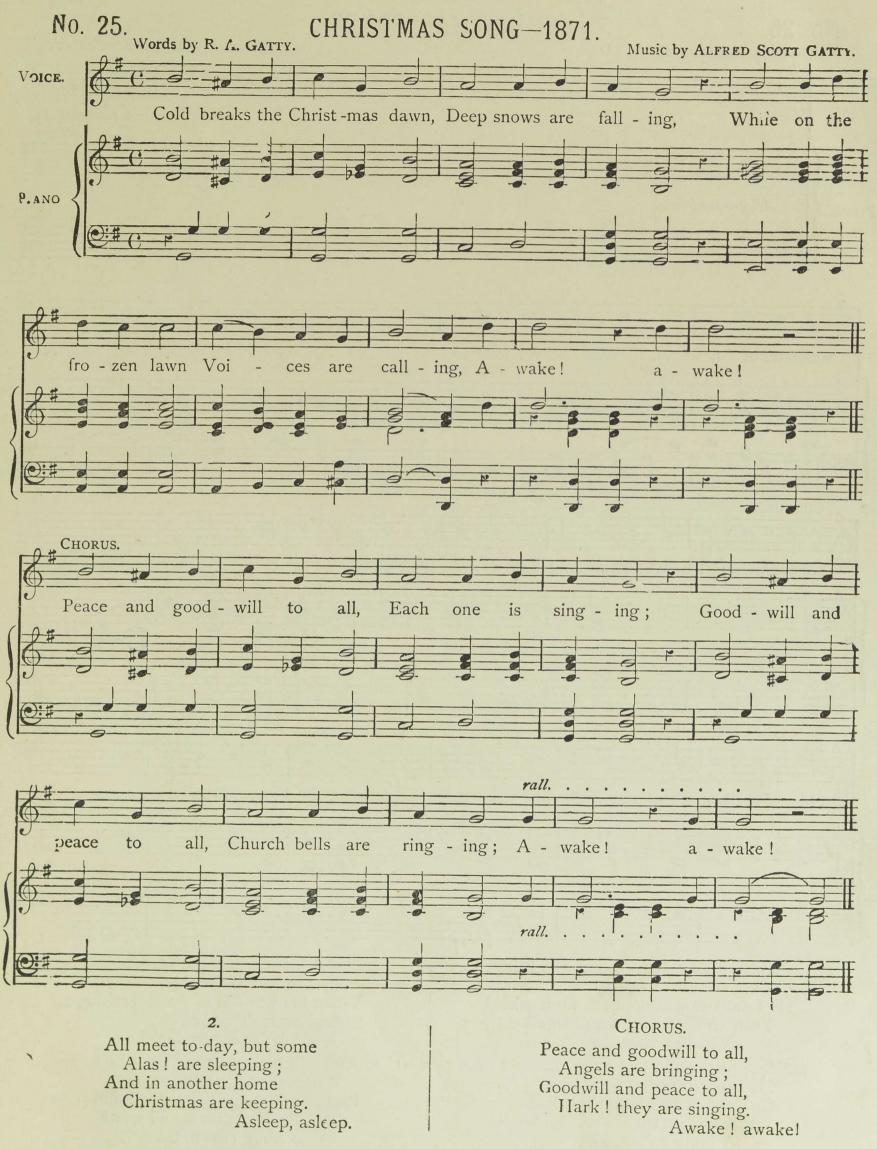
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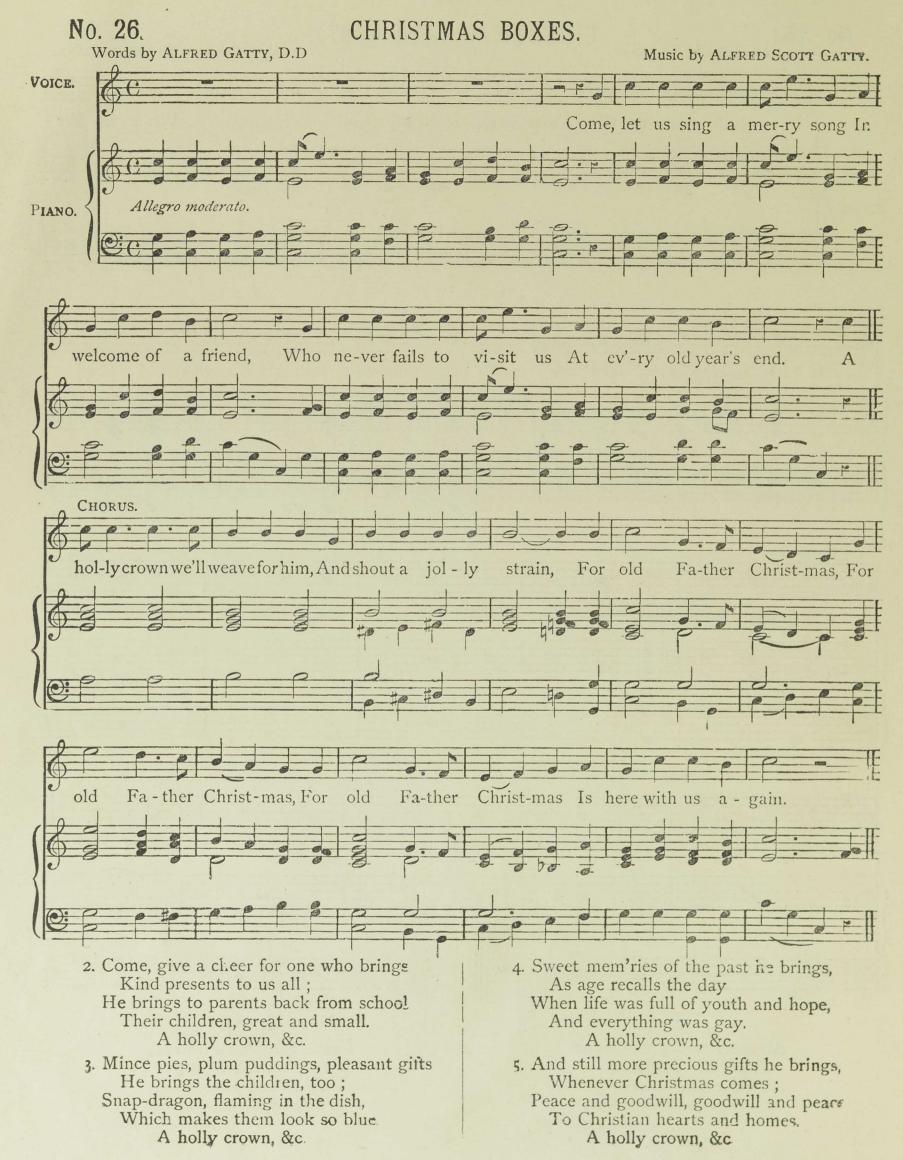
Father, Son, and Spirit.

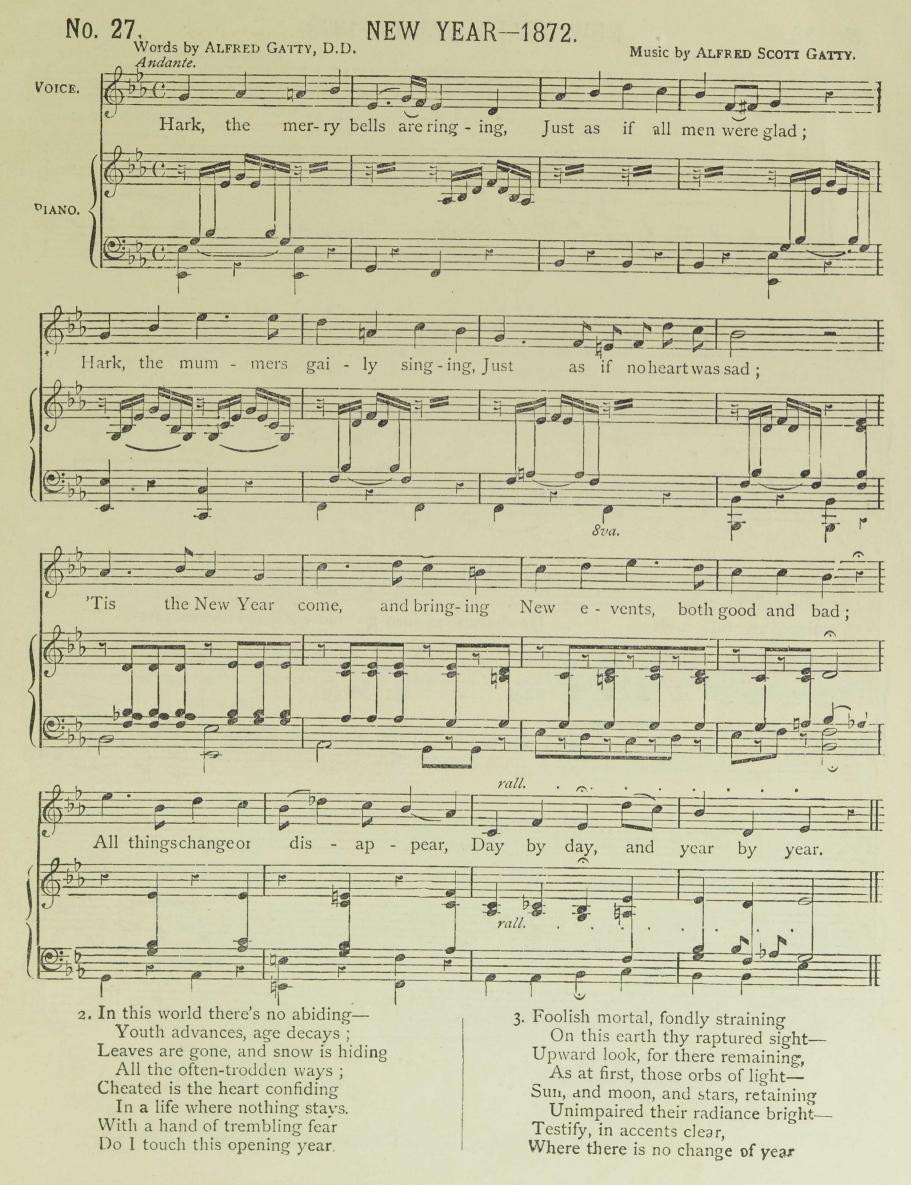
Ever watch and keep,
Like a careful Shepherd,
These Thy little sheep

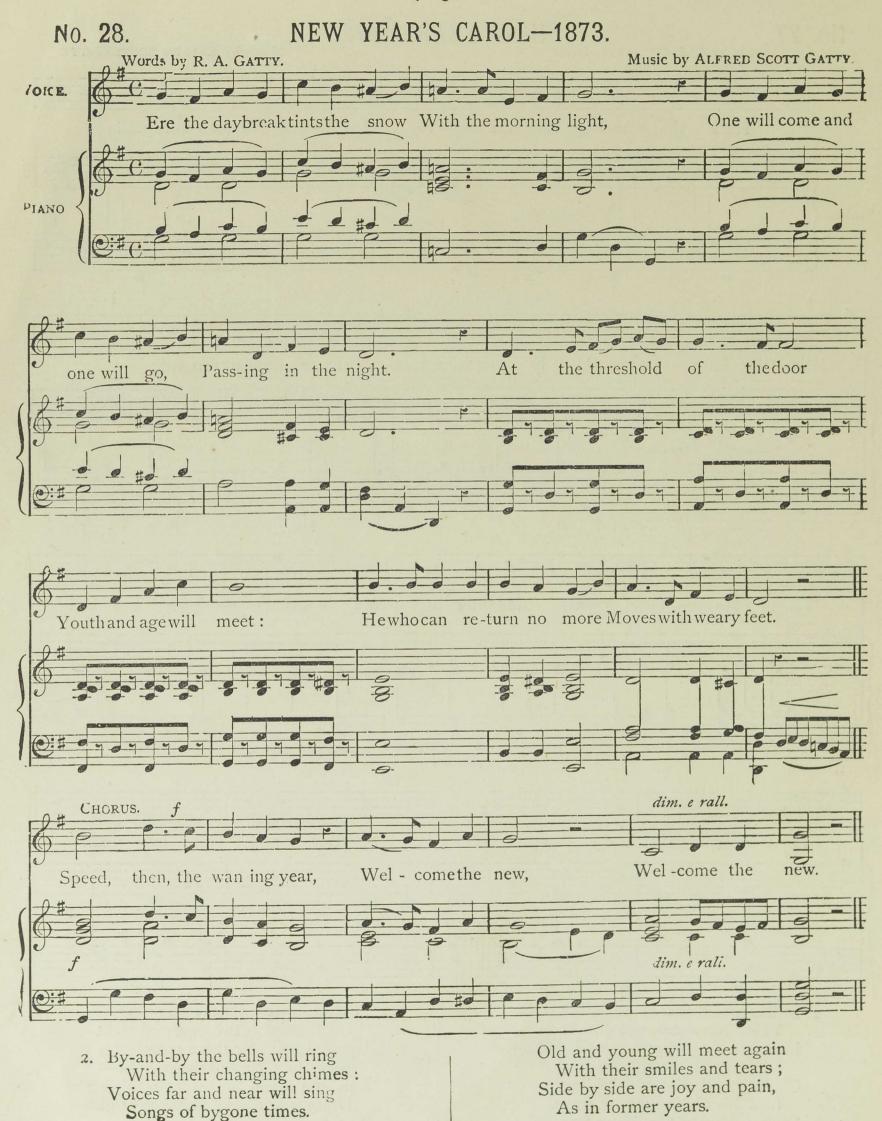
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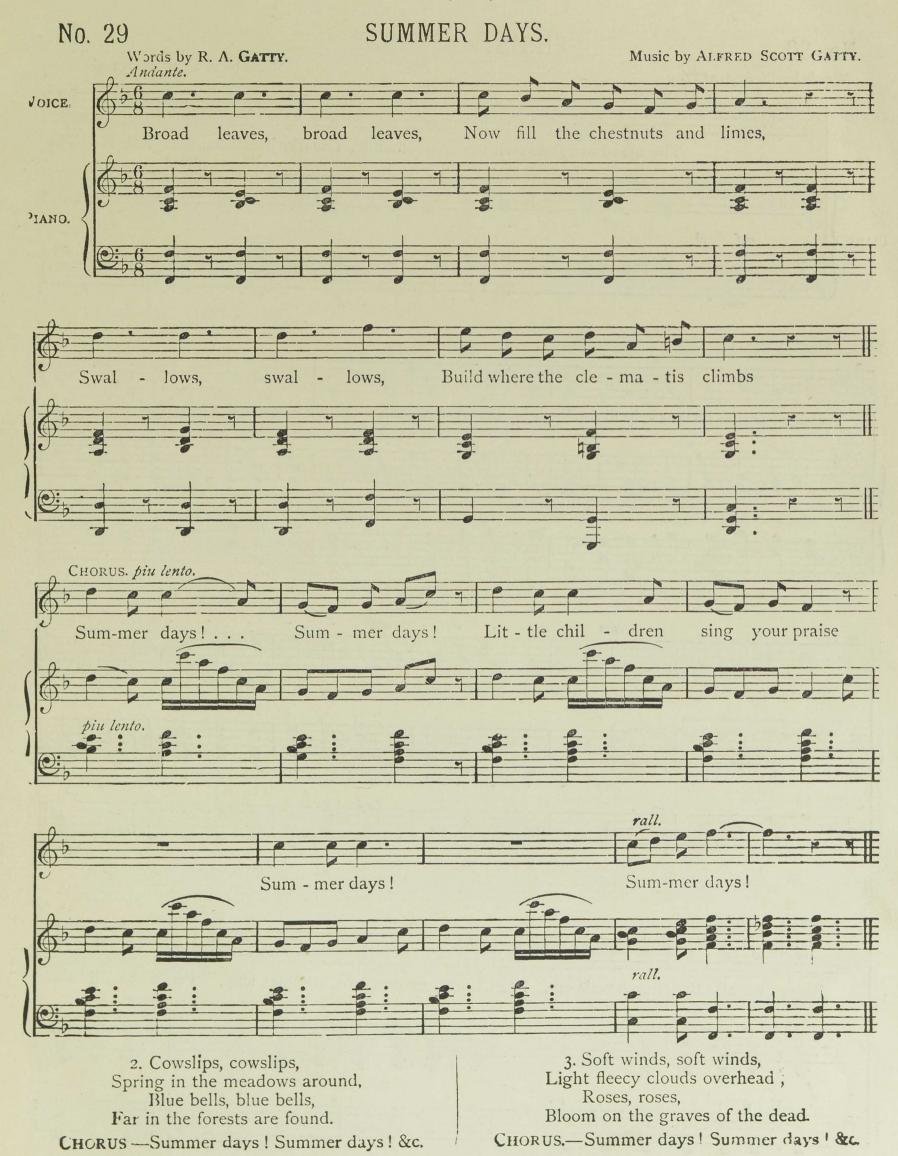


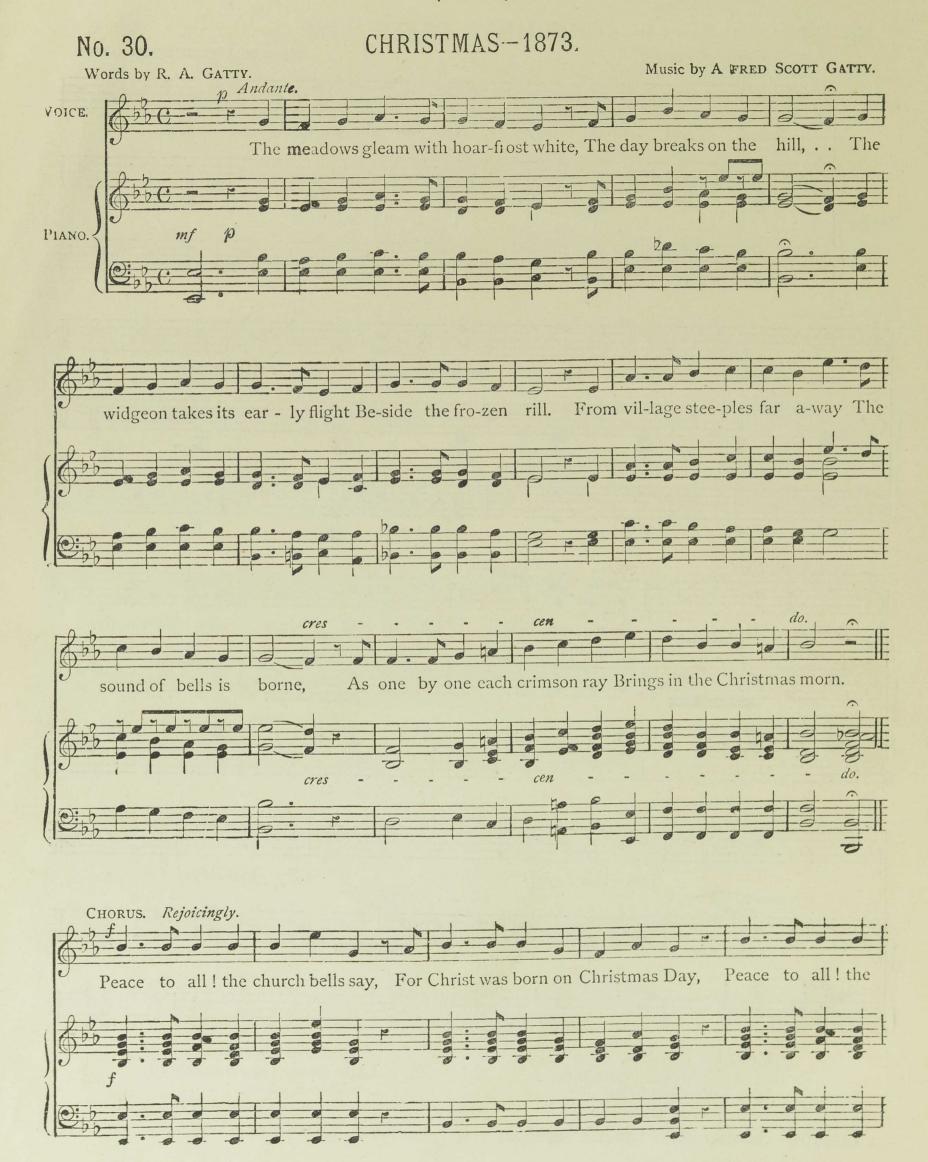


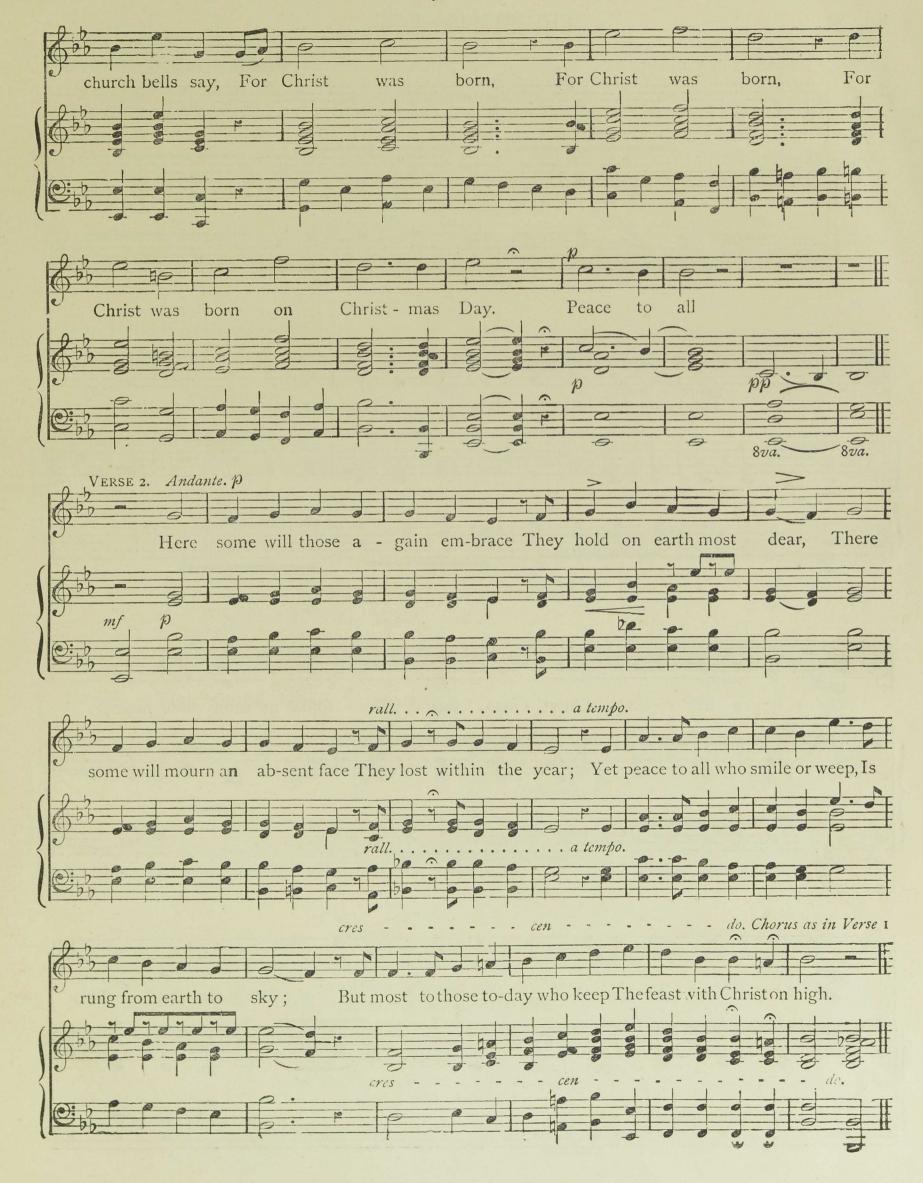




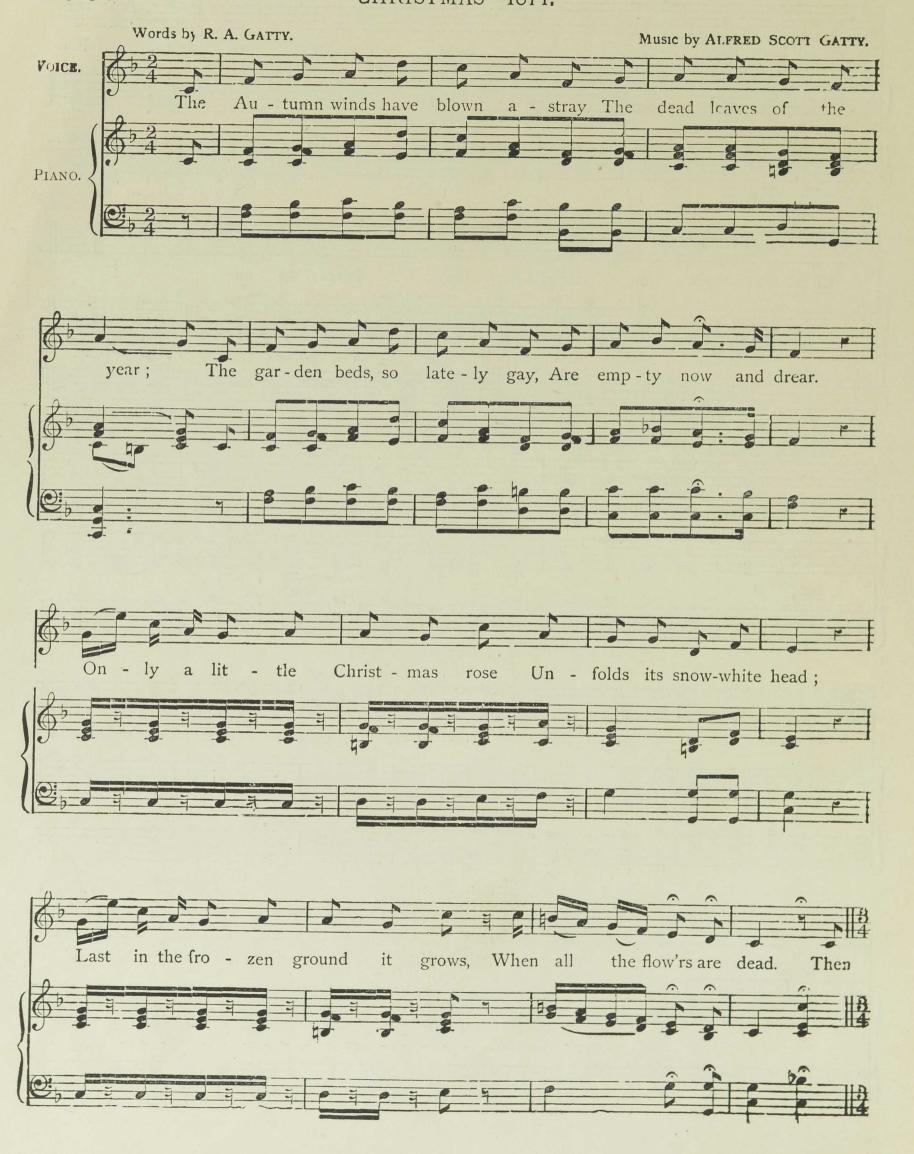
CHORUS,-Speed, then, the waning year &c

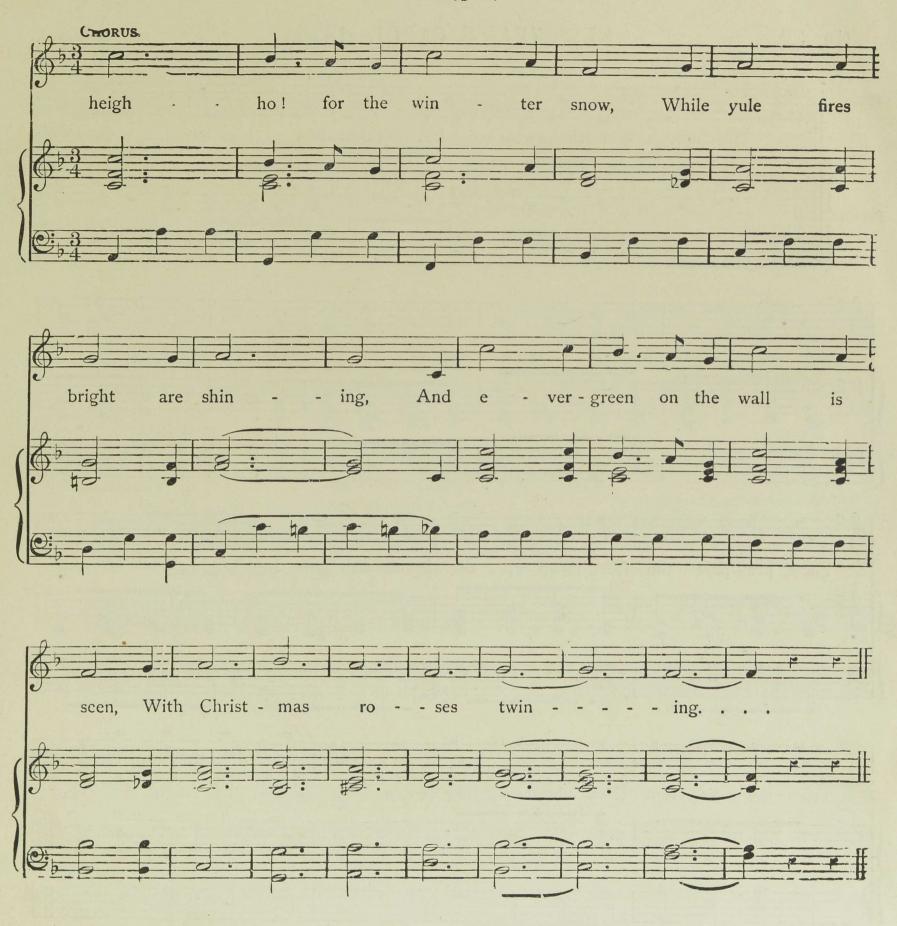






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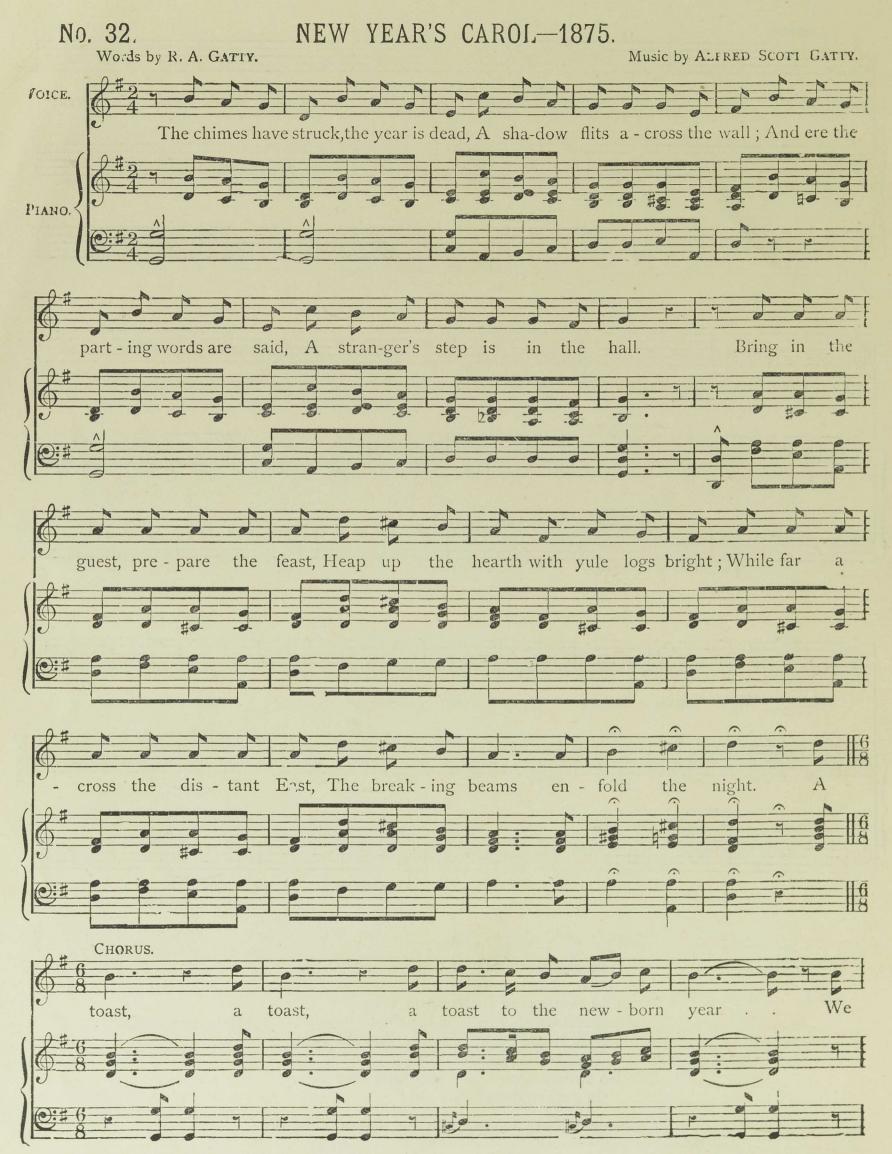


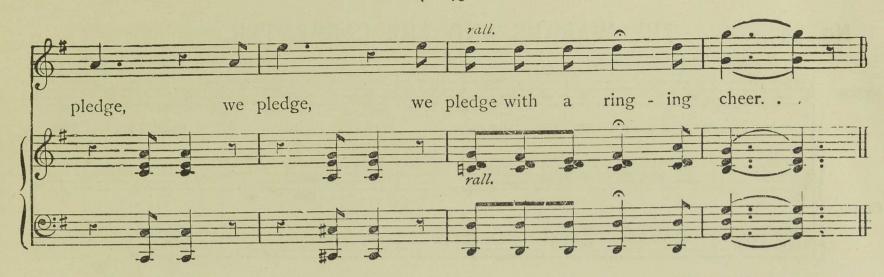


2.

The happy sounds of Christmas-tide
Are heard again by all;
Old customs of the country side,
With carols in the hall.
Bright hours! that pass like flowers away
Before the hearth is cold;
So swiftly each new Christmas Day
Is gathered with the old!

CHORUS.—Then heigho! for the winter snow, &c.





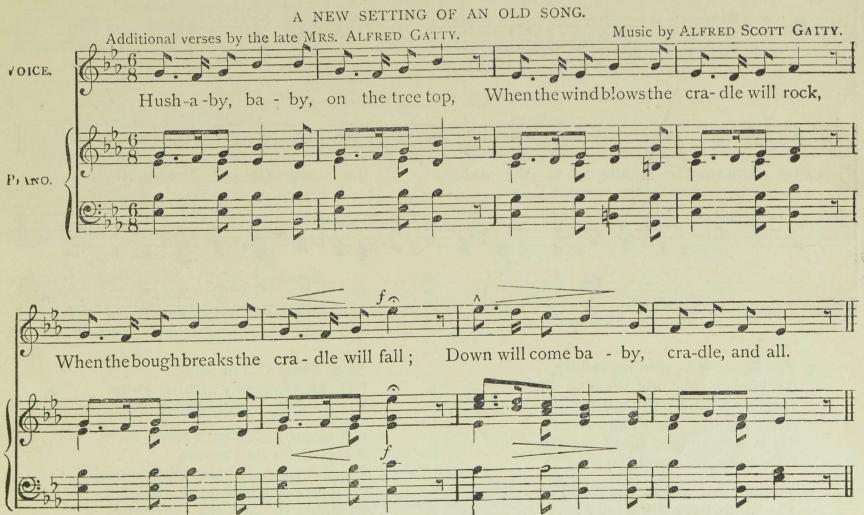
This year will many a change bring
Of joy and grief to rich and poor;
The Summer days will follow Spring,
Till Autumn stores her harvest floor;

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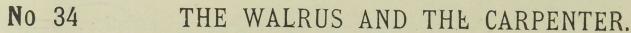
Then once again the Winter blast
Will sweep across the surging sea
And what is now will be the past,
Lost in the great Eternity.
A toast to the new-born year
We pledge with a ringing cheer.

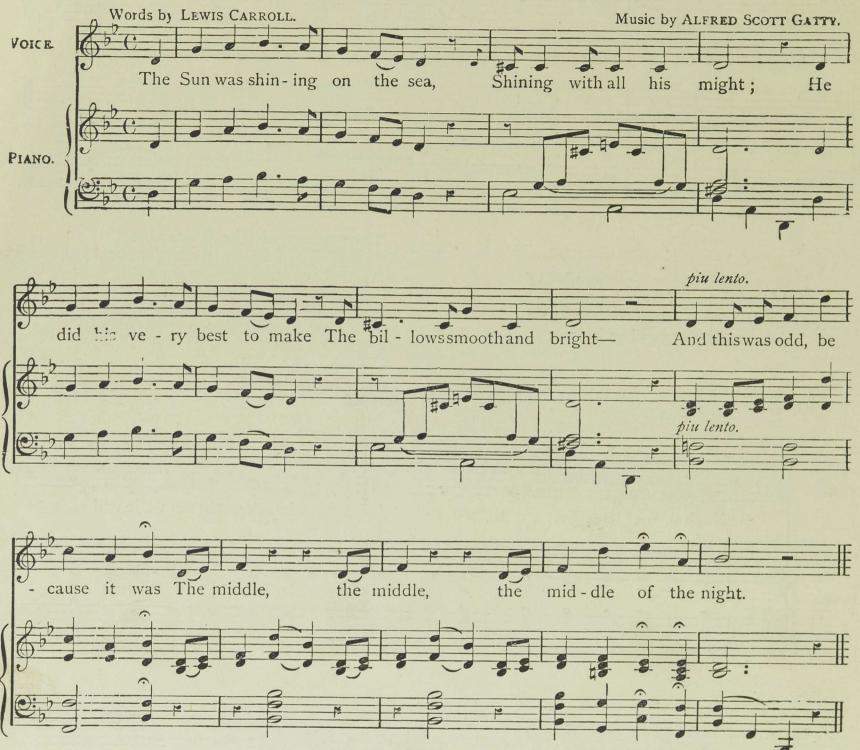
No. 33.

NURSE'S SONG.



- 2. Hush-a-by, baby, up in the sky,
 On a soft cloud 'tis easy to fly;
 When the cloud bursts the raindrops will pour
 Baby comes down to mother once more.
- 3 Lullaby, father, evening is come, When the sun sets 'tis time to be home
- When the day dies, the day's work should end— Lullaby, father, sleep is a friend.
- 4. Lullaby, mother, rest in your chair,
 Grown are the babes who needed your care;
 Weary is toil, but short is the day,
 Happy the sleep that bears it away.





- 2. The Moon was shining sulkily,
 Because she thought the Sun
 Had no business to be there
 After the day was done:—
 "It is very rude of him," she said,
 "To come and spoil the fun!"
- 3. The sea was wet as wet could be,
 The sands were dry as dry;
 You could not see a cloud, because
 No cloud was in the sky:
 No birds were flying overhead—
 There were no birds to fly.
- 4. The Walrus and the Carpenter Were walking close at hand; They wept like anything to see

- Such quantities of sand:

 "If this were only cleared away,'
 They said, "it would be grand!"
- 5. "If seven maids with seven mops Swept it for half a year,
 Do you suppose," the Walrus said.
 "That they could get it clear?"
 "I doubt it," said the Carpenter,
 And shed a bitter tear.
- 6. "O, Oysters, come and walk with us!"
 The Walrus did beseech—
 "A pleasant walk, a pleasant talk,
 Along the briny beach:
 We cannot do with more than four
 To give a hand to each."

- 7. The eldest Oyster looked at him, But never a word he said:

 The eldest Oyster winked his eye, And shook his heavy head—

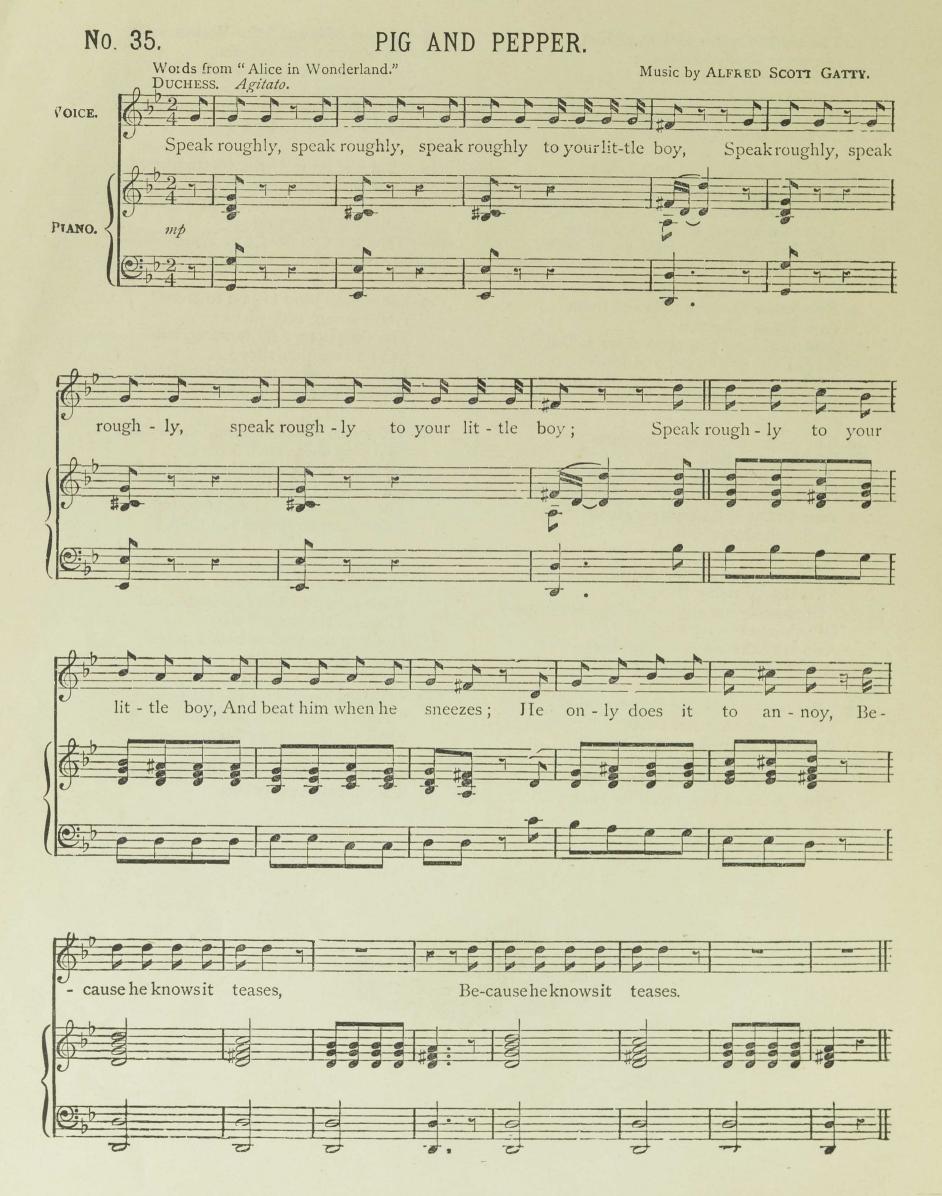
 Meaning to say he did not choose To leave the oyster-bed.
- 8. But four young Oysters hurried up,
 All eager for the treat;
 Their coats were brushed, their faces washed,
 Their shoes were clean and neat—
 And this was odd, because, you know,
 They hadn't any feet.
- 9. Four other Oysters followed them,
 And yet another four;
 And thick and fast they came at last,
 And more, and more, and more—
 All hopping through the frothy waves,
 And scrambling to the shore.
- Walked on a mile or so,
 And then they rested on a rock
 Conveniently low;
 And all the little Oysters stood
 And waited in a row.
- "The time has come," the Walrus said,
 "To talk of many things:
 "Of shoes—and ships—and sealing-wax—
 Of cabbages—and kings—
 And why the sea is boiling hot—
 And whether pigs have wings!"
- "But wait a bit," the Oysters cried,
 "Before we have our chat;
 For some of us are out of breath,
 And all of us are fat!"
 "No hurry!" said the Carpenter—
 They thanked him much for that.

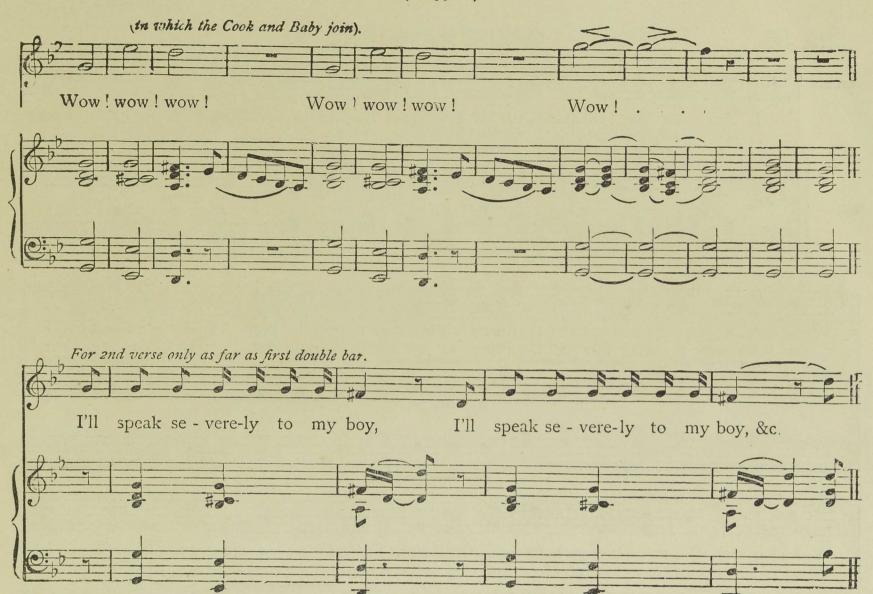
- "Is what we chiefly need,
 "Is what we chiefly need,
 Pepper and vinegar, besides,
 Are very good indeed—
 Now, if you're ready, Oysters dear,
 We can begin to feed."
- 14. "But not on us!" the Oysters cried,
 Turning a little blue,
 "After such kindness, that would be
 A dismal thing to do;"
 "The night is fine," the Walrus said,
 "Do you admire the view?"
- And you are very nice!"

 The Carpenter said nothing, but
 "Cut us another slice:

 I wish you were not quite so deaf;
 I've had to ask you twice!"
- "To play them such a trick,
 After we've brought them out so far,
 And made them trot so quick!"
 The Carpenter said nothing, but
 "The butter's spread too thick!"
- "I weep for you," the Walrus said
 "I deeply sympathize!"
 With sobs and tears he sorted out
 Those of the largest size,
 Holding the pocket-handkerchief
 Before his streaming eyes.
- 18. "Oh, Oysters," said the Carpenter,
 "You've had a pleasant run!
 Shall we be trotting home again?"
 But answer came there none—
 And this was scarcely odd, because
 They'd eaten every one.







I speak severely to my boy,
I beat him when he sneezes;
For he can thoroughly enjoy
The pepper when he pleases!

CHORUS.—Wow! wow! wow! &c.



