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Andante moderato.

mf

Dar's a fun - ny lit - tle bunch of dusk - y sweet - ness, Dat's the
In the day-time 'round the cab - in he's a - play - in', A -

p

dear - est thing in all de world to me, An' I loves dis ti - ny mite with such com -
rid - in on de broom - stick for a horse, He does - n't al - ways mind what I'm a -

plete - ness, Dat it makes me just as hap - py as can be; I se a
say - in', Den he runs a - way and hides from me of course; But when

rit. - - - *a tempo*

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talk - ing 'bout my ba - by an' no oth - er, He's
even - in' comes an' he is grow - in' tir - ed, He's

The first system of music features a vocal melody in the upper staff and piano accompaniment in the lower staff. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 3/4. The lyrics are written below the vocal staff.

al - ways sweet but when de sha - dows fall, And he
might - y glad to cud - dle in my lap, I

The second system continues the melody and accompaniment. The piano part includes chords and single notes in both hands.

kin - der gets a - skeered and comes to moth - er; I
al - ways knows ex - act - ly whats re - quir - ed; My

The third system shows the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The piano part features a steady accompaniment in the left hand and chords in the right hand.

thinks dat is de sweet - est time of all.
drow - sy babe is read - y for a nap.

The fourth system concludes the piece. The piano part includes a *rit.* (ritardando) marking over the final measures. The system ends with a double bar line.

Refrain. *Slowly.*

Go to sleep my lit - tle drow-sy ba - by close yo' eyes, — go hush a -

bye, Mam-my's 'gwine to scold yer hon-ey may-be, if you cry, — so don't you

try, — Taint no use to keep yer eyes a-blink - in' just to

keep — a - way de sleep, Close yer eyes and don't yer wor - ry,

sand-mans com-in' in a hur-ry, Go to sleep my drow-sy babe, my drow-sy babe.

L.H.
R.H. p
rit.
rit.

