

Dedicated to my friend Dave Young.

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## Babe, It's Too Long Off.

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Moderato.

Piano.

A - mos Jack - son said — to his  
A - mos 'course was in a ver - y

la - dy love, — "Let's get mar - ried right a - way," — He  
ug - ly mood. — The com - in' trou - ble could - n't fail, — He

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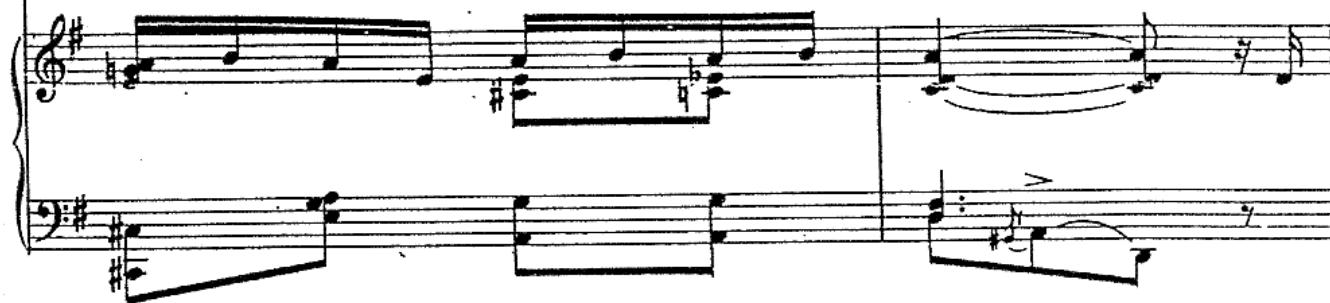
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did - n't get the mit - ten but he got a box - in' glove When she  
start - ed down the line to do his col - ored broth - er - hood Be -



an - swered, "Yes just one year from next May." \_\_\_\_\_ The  
fore the break of day he was in jail. \_\_\_\_\_ The



way that la - dy said it struck poor A - mos dumb, His  
way that old Judge soaked him struck poor A - mos dumb, Says



face was twist - ed till it was a : sight; So  
"Nine - ty - days for you an' that's too light;" Poor



then he start - ed count - in' on his fin - gers and his thumbs Poor  
A - mos start - ed count - in' on his fin - gers and his thumbs



A - mos could - n't make it come out right.  
But he could - n't make it come out right.



Thir - ty days has Sep - tem - ber, A - pril, June and No - vem -  
Thir - ty days has Sep - tem - ber, A - pril, June and No - vem -



ber; That's a lit - tle too long for me to re - mem  
ber; That's a lit - tle too long for me to re - mem

ber, I'm might - y feared I just can't wait, Now  
ber, Please can't you set a clos - er date, I'm

can't you set an ear - lier date? Though I am sil - ly hon - ey  
might - y feared I just can't wait. I may act fool - ish now but

*poco rit.*

I ain't sof' Babe it's too long off.  
I ain't sof' Judge it's too long off.

*D.S.*