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"DIS AIN'T NO TIME FOR AN ARGUMENT"

BY
COLE AND JOHNSON.



Dis aint no Time for an Argument.

Words by
JAMES W. JOHNSON

Music by
ROSAMOND JOHNSON.

Piano. Moderato.

mf marcato il basso

f ff

(Not fast.)

One
An -

gloom-y night down thro' the woods, Old Mo - ses Jenk - ins went; He
oth - er night Mose had a dream, A - bout a pot of gold; To

had a dog and so it seemed, He was on 'Pos-sum bent. They
dig at twelve o' - clock at night, By a big tree he was told. He

The musical score is written for piano and voice. It begins with a piano introduction in 2/4 time, marked 'Moderato'. The piano part features a melody in the right hand and a bass line in the left hand, with dynamic markings of *mf*, *f*, and *ff*. The tempo is indicated as 'Moderato' and 'marcato il basso'. The vocal part enters with the lyrics 'One An -' and continues with the main verses. The piano accompaniment continues throughout the vocal parts, with dynamic markings of *sf*, *mp*, and *mp*. The score includes repeat signs and a section marked '(Not fast.)'.

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sneaked a - long and soon the dog, Barked up a 'sim - mon tree: Old
took a spade and went to work, He dug thro' clay and rocks, A

Mo - ses said "Dat shó - ly means some pos - sum meat for me." He
smile spread o - ver Mo - ses, when he struck a big long box. But

quick - ly climbed the tree, but just im - ag - ine his sur - prise, When
when he took the cov - er off his blood got freez - ing cold, For

not a pos - sum, but a bear loomed up be - fore his eyes. The
in that box he saw some things that did not look like gold. Just

bear he growled, and seemed to say, "Now Mose'twixt you and me, We'll
then a ghost - ly form ap - peared, And said in chil - ling tones, "Now

ar - gue out the ques - tion as to which one owns this tree." But
Mo - ses, we will ar - gue, and I'll prove these are my bones." Mose

Mo - ses cried in haste, "Lord, I aint got a min - ute to waste."
said as he be - gun, For to get him - self to - geth - er to run.

Chorus.

"Dis aint no time for an ar - gu - ment Dat's plain as plain can be; Jes
"Dis aint no time for an ar - gu - ment Dat's plain as plain can be; You

gim - me a chance for to hit de ground, And you can have de
say dese bones be - - long to you, Wid dat I will a -

tree; 'Cause bear and pos - - sum meat, you see
gree; If you want-er ar - gue wid me 'bout dese bones, we'll

nev - er did taste a - like to me Dis aint no time for an
use long dis - tance tel - e - phones, Dis aint no time for an

ar - gu - ment Mis - ter Bear fare - well to thee. Dis thee. *D. S.*
ar - gu - ment Mis - ter Ghost fare - well to thee. Dis thee.

fz *D. S.*