

Won't You Be a Friend of Mine?



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Tempo di Valse

The piano introduction is in 3/4 time, marked 'Tempo di Valse'. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The music starts with a dynamic marking of *f* (forte). The right hand features a melodic line with eighth and sixteenth notes, while the left hand provides a steady accompaniment with chords and single notes. The piece concludes with a series of triplets in the right hand.

The first system of the vocal and piano accompaniment. The vocal line is in a treble clef, and the piano accompaniment is in a grand staff (treble and bass clefs). The key signature remains two flats, and the time signature is 3/4. The lyrics are: "I know a girl, a precious pearl, she's all the world to me; I persevered, although I feared my pray'r she". The piano accompaniment starts with a dynamic marking of *p* (piano).

The second system of the vocal and piano accompaniment. The lyrics continue: "With golden hair and on bend-ed knee I". The musical notation shows a continuation of the vocal melody and piano accompaniment from the previous system.

The third system of the vocal and piano accompaniment. The lyrics conclude: "Year made my plea, there's none so fair as she. It my love was strong in deed." The piano accompaniment continues to support the vocal line.

aft - er year, my love sin - cere, I ven - ture
swayed her heart and she prom - ised me that from that

to de - clare, But she, the while, would
ver - y day My friend through life she'd

on - ly smile As I cried out in des - pair.
al - ways be And I ne'er need plead and say.

REFRAIN. *Lente*

Wont you be a friend of mine? I'll win your love in time; I

p-f

know that I can tru - ly love and I want you to be

mine: Will you give me just one chance? Come dear - est,

won't you try? I know my love is true to you Like the

stars are to the sky. stars are to the sky.