

Our Darling Kate

Words and Melody by
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Music Arranged for the Piano
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Allegretto e con Spirito

First system of piano introduction, measures 1-3. The right hand features a melodic line with eighth and sixteenth notes, while the left hand provides a steady accompaniment of eighth notes.

Second system of piano introduction, measures 4-7. The right hand continues the melodic line, and the left hand uses block chords and eighth notes.

Third system, measures 8-11. It includes the vocal melody and piano accompaniment. The vocal line begins with the lyrics: "There's a bright-eyed maid comes thro' the gar-den gate, Her ra-diant face is seen a-mid the trees, Her ra-ven curls hang o'er a neck of snow,". The piano accompaniment features a sustained bass note in the left hand and chords in the right hand. Chord symbols 'F' are placed above the vocal line at measures 9 and 10.

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11 F C7 F

Light as the wild roe bound-ing. O!__ well I know she
Bright as the sun - light beam - ing. Her__ fra - grant breath gives
Bathed in the sun - beams bright - ness. Her__ peach - like cheek with

14 F F C7/F F

is our dar - ling Kate, For her voice in my heart is sound-ing. And her
o - dor to the breeze, And her eyes like twin stars are beam - ing. And__
14 mod - est blush - es glow, And her brow shames the li - ly's white - ness. O!__

17 F F F B♭

light, mer - ry laugh, so mel - low, soft, and clear, On__ sum - mer breez - es
bright ae - rial forms up - on her smiles a - wait. On__ morn's bright pin - ions
17 were I pos - sessed of In - dia's vast es - tate, Or the fa - bled wealth of

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20 F C F B \flat /F *rit.* F

ring - ing, Like a sil - ver bell strikes on the rav - ished ear And
soar - ing, They come to greet our dar - ling lit - tle Kate, Her
sto - ry, I'd — give them all for dar - ling lit - tle Kate, Our

23 F/C *a tempo* C7/F F

flow'rs 'neath her feet are spring - ing.
an - gel — form a - dor - ing.
own bright — Morn - ing - glo - ry.

27 F Chorus F Dm F/C C7 F/C C

Sop Alto
Dar - ling, dar - ling, dar - ling lit - tle Kate, Fair as the star of morn - ing,

Ten Bass

Poco piú Presto

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31 F F *rit.* Fdim *a tempo* F C7 C7 F

Thine this heart, what - ev - er be my fate, Till the lamp of life cease burn - ing.

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Thine this heart, what - ev - er be my fate, Till the lamp of life cease burn - ing.

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