

Major McPherson Was a Very Nice Man

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Comic Song

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Allegro



6

G G G D7

1. Ma - jor Mc - Pher-son was a ver - y nice man, la la la la la la
2. Then as on her I still much dote, la la la la la la

6

The first vocal entry begins at measure 6. The melody is in the treble staff, and the piano accompaniment is in the bass staff. The key signature has one sharp (F#). The piano part consists of a steady eighth-note accompaniment. The vocal line includes two verses of lyrics.

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G G G G D7

la He had but one eye, and his name was Dan, la la la la la la
la I'll make it a point to cut my throat!, la la la la la la

10

The second vocal entry begins at measure 10. The melody continues in the treble staff, and the piano accompaniment continues in the bass staff. The key signature remains one sharp (F#). The piano part consists of a steady eighth-note accompaniment. The vocal line includes two verses of lyrics.

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G G G G

la _____ Ma - jor Mc - Pher - son stood three feet by four; la la la la la la
la _____ Then Ma - jor Mc - Pher - son took a ra - zor, la la la la la la

18

G G G G D7

la _____ The la - dies all said what a pit-y he's not more. la la la la la la
la _____ And said he: "Oh, how I'll a - maze _____ her!" la la la la la la

22

G G G G C

la _____ Yet so it is they were per-fect-ly right: He was a Ma-jor by name yet a
la _____ "My fate de - creed my hour _____ is come!" _____ la la la la la la

26 G/D D7 G g G G D7

mi-nor by right. Ma - jor Mc - Pher - son heaved a sigh! la la la la la la
la So he drew the edge a - cross his thumb! la la la la la la

30 G G G G D7

la Ma - jor Mc - Pher - son did - n't know why. la la la la la la
la But still on his woes did the ma - jor harp; la la la la la la

34 G G G G

la But Ma - jor Mc - Pher - son soon found out 'Twas all for Miss La -
la But the ma - jor was young and the ra - zor sharp. la la la la

38

G G

vin - ia Scout. Says Ma - jor Mc - Pher - son, "I have no doubt, That I'm
la la la "I'll van - ish," he said, "from her pres - ence quick!" So in -

41

G Am/C D7 G G D7(omit 3) G

scorned by — Miss La - vin - ia Scout!
stead of his throat, he cut his stick!