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Nat King Cole

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Words by MARTHA E KOENIG
and SPENCER WILLIAMS
Music by W C HANDY

Moderato

Introduction for piano, marked Moderato. The music is in G major and 4/4 time. It begins with a treble clef and a bass clef. The melody starts on a half note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, then a quarter note B4, and a quarter note C5. The accompaniment consists of a steady bass line of G2, A2, B2, C3, and a treble accompaniment of G4, A4, B4, C5.

VERSE

First system of the verse. The vocal line is in treble clef, and the piano accompaniment is in bass and treble clefs. The lyrics are: "If I were a lit - tle bird I'd fly from / While I wore my poor heart out, While I". The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and a treble accompaniment with chords. Chords are indicated below the piano part: G, D7, G, D7.

Second system of the verse. The vocal line continues with the lyrics: "tree to tree I'd build my nest way up in the / wore my poor heart out, While I wore my poor heart". The piano accompaniment continues with the same steady bass line and treble accompaniment. Chords are indicated below the piano part: G, Am7, D7, G, C6, G7, C.

Third system of the verse. The vocal line concludes with the lyrics: "air Where the bad boys could not both - er me. / out He al - ways passed right by my door." The piano accompaniment continues with the same steady bass line and treble accompaniment. Chords are indicated below the piano part: A7, A7-5, Eb7, G, D7, G.