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REUBEN AND RACHEL

Comic Duett

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Allegro moderato.

The piano introduction consists of two systems of music. The first system is in 2/4 time, marked *f* (forte). The second system continues the piece, marked *ff* (fortissimo) in the final measure. The music is in a key with two flats (B-flat and E-flat).

Rachel.

The vocal line for Rachel begins with a rest for four measures, indicated by "(Till ready to sing.)". The lyrics are:

1. Reuben, I have long been thinking, What a good world
2. Reuben, I'm a poor lone woman, No one seems to

The piano accompaniment for this section is marked *p* (piano) and features a steady accompaniment of chords in the right hand and a simple bass line in the left hand.

The vocal line continues with the lyrics:

this might be, If the men were all transported Far beyond the Northern Sea.
care for me, I wish the men were all transported Far beyond the Northern Sea.

The piano accompaniment continues with the same *p* (piano) dynamic, providing harmonic support for the vocal melody.

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REUBEN.

Ra - chel, I have long been thinking, What a fine world this might be,
I'm a man with - out a vic - tim, Soon I think there's one will be,

p

If we had some more young la - dies On this side the North - ern Sea.
If the men are not transported Far beyond the Northern Sea.

RACHEL.

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Too ral loo ral, Too ral lee,

REUBEN.

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Too ral loo ral loo, Too ral loo ral loo,

If the men were all transport-ed Far beyond the Northern Sea.

If we had some more young la-dies On this side the Northern Sea.

f

(Till ready to sing.)

p

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4

RACH. Reuben, what's the use of fooling,
 Why not come up like a man?
 If you'd like to have a "lover"
 Im for life your "Sally Ann?"

RACH. Reuben, now do stop your teasing,
 If you've any love for me;
 I was only just a fooling,
 As I thought of course you'd see.

REU. Oh my goodness! oh my gracious!
 What a queer world this would be.
 If the men were all transported
 Far beyond the Northern Sea!

REU. Rachel, I will not transport you,
 But will take you for a wife,
 We will live on "milk and honey,"
 Better or worse, we're in for life.