



Happy are we darkies so gay.

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CHRISTY'S MELODIE'S



AS COMPOSED AND SUNG BY THEM,

AT THEIR CONCERTS WITH DISTINGUISHED SUCCESS.

G.N. CHRISTY.

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1. HAPPY ARE WE DARKIES SO DAY.
2. JIM CROW POLKA.
3. FARWELL LADIES.
4. MY PRETTY YALLER GAL.
5. SNOW DROP ANN.
6. LILLY OF THE VALLEY.

7. GINGER'S WEDDING.
8. MY PRETTY VIRGINIA GAL.
9. GONE TO ALABAMA.
10. ROSA DEAR.
11. WALK IN THE PARLOR.
12. CARRY ME BACK TO OLD VIRGINIA.
13. CHRISTY'S POLKA.
14. ABBOTT'S POLKA.

Edwin P. Christy

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HAPPY ARE WE DARKIES SO GAY
PARODY on favorite AIR from Opera LABAYIDERE

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Christy's Minstrels

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Allegretto.

The musical score consists of six staves of music. The first two staves are for piano, showing chords and bass notes. The subsequent four staves are for voice and piano, with the vocal line starting on staff 3. The lyrics are integrated into the vocal parts. The music is in common time, with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The vocal line begins with a melodic line over a piano accompaniment of chords and bass notes.

Hap--py are we,----- darkies so gay! Come, let us sing and

laugh while we play----- We darkey min--streльs' fa--vo--rite lay, With a

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ha, ha, ha, ha, and laugh while we play.

1st Voice.

Mu...sic de....licious!

2^d Voice.

O, den how sweet!

1st Voice.

Your kind ap...

Ritard.

2^d Voice or Bass.

plauses

We hope to greet-----

C H O R U S .

Tempo 1^o
Air.

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Happy are we, darkies so gay! Come, let us sing and laugh while we play—

1st Tenor.

Happy are we, darkies so gay! Come, let us sing and laugh while we play—

Bass.

We darkey minstrels' favorite lay, With a ha, ha, ha, ha, and laugh while we play. Ha

We darkey minstrels' favorite lay, With a ha, ha, ha, ha, and laugh while we play. Ha

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ha, ha, ha, ha — laugh while we play.

ha, ha, ha, ha — laugh while we play.

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The songs that we sing, some of dem are fine,
De chorus is good, when we do combine.

We always are den so happy and gay,
We laugh and we sing ha, ha, ha, while we play.

1st Voice. Singing delicious! 2^d Voice. O, den, how fine!

.. We darkey minstrels .. At night we do shine!

Chorus. Happy are we &c.

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Ma'm'selle Augusta — she is so fine
In dancing and playing in de pantomine!
We darkey minstrels, wid blacken face,
Comes de Cachuca and Polka wid grace.

1st Voice. Dancing delicious! 2^d Voice. O, den how gay!

.. We'll dance and well sing — .. 'Till broke ob day.

Chorus. Happy are we &c.