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## Carry me back to old Virginia.

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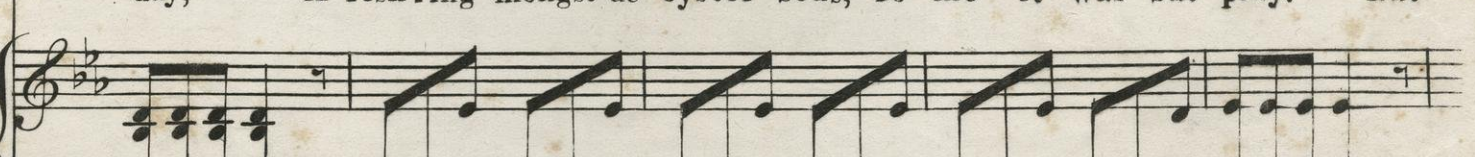
The float.ing scow of Old Vir-ginny I work'd in from day to






day, A fish.ing 'mongst de oyster beds, To me it was but play. But







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now I'm grow\_ing ve...ry old, I can...not work any more, So

carry me back to Old Vir..ginny, To Old Vir..gin...ny's shore.

CHORUS.

Air.

Den carry me back to Old Vir-ginny, To Old Vir..gin...ny's shore, Oh,

1<sup>st</sup> Tenor.

2<sup>d</sup> Tenor.

Den carry me back to Old Vir-ginny, To Old Vir..gin...ny's shore, Oh,

Bass.

The musical score consists of six systems of staves. The first two systems are vocal lines with lyrics: "carry me back to Old Vir-ginny, To Old Vir..gin..ny's shore." The next two systems are piano accompaniment. The final two systems are a more complex piano accompaniment featuring a prominent bass line with slurs and dynamic markings like *f* and *fz*.

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If I was only young again,  
 I'd lead a different life;  
 I'd save my money, and buy a farm  
 And take Dinah for my wife.  
 But now old age, he holds me tight,  
 My limbs, dey are growing sore;  
 So take me back to Old Virginny,  
 To Old Virginny's shore.

Chorus. Den carry me back &c.

And when I'm dead and gone  
 Place this old banjo by my side;  
 Let the possum and coon to my funeral go,  
 For dey was always my pride.  
 And den in soft repose I'll sleep,  
 And dream for ebermore  
 .Dat you've carried me back to Old Virginny  
 To Old Virginny's shore.

Chorus. Den carry me back &c.