

Nº 1. IN E^b



Nº 2. IN F.



Nº 3 IN G.



MERRY MAY

SONG

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Ah! 'tis like a tale of olden
Time, long, long ago;
When the world was in its golden
Prime, and love was lord below!
Every vein of Earth was dancing
With the Spring's new wine!
'Twas the pleasant time of flowers,
When I met you, love of mine!
Ah! some spirit sure was straying
Out of heaven that day,
When I met you, Sweet! a-Maying,
In that merry, merry May.

Little heart! it shyly opened
Its red leaves' love-lore,
Like a rose that must be ripened
To the dainty, dainty core.
But its beauties daily brighten,
And it blooms so dear,—
Though a many Winters whiten,
I go Maying all the year.
And my proud heart will be praying
Blessings on the day,
When I met you, Sweet! a-Maying,
In that merry, merry May.

Gerald Massey.

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Allegro.

VOICE.

PIANO.

mf a tempo

Ah! 'tis like a tale of old - en Time, long, long a - go;

mf a tempo

rit. ten. a tempo

When the world was in its gold - en Prime, and love was lord be-low!

rit. a tempo

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Ev - 'ry vein on earth was danc - ing With the spring's new wine!

'Twas the pleas - ant time of flow - ers, When I met you, love of mine!

rit. e dim.

Gaily.
f a tempo

Ah! some spir - it sure was stray - ing Out of heav'n that day,

f a tempo

ten. *rit. e dim.* *a tempo*

When I met you, Sweet! a - May - ing, In that mer - ry, mer - ry May.

rit. e dim. *a tempo*

rit. e dim.

p a tempo

Lit - tle heart! it shy - ly o - pen'd Its red leaves' love - lore,

p a tempo

Like a rose that must be ri - pen'd To the dainty, dain-ty core.

rit. ten. a tempo

rit. a tempo

mf

But its beau - ties dai - ly bright - en, And it blooms so dear, -

rit. e dim.

Though a ma - ny Win - ters whit - en, I go May-ing all the year.

rit. e dim.

f a tempo

And my proud heart will be pray - ing Bless - ings on that day,

f a tempo

ff. *rit. e dim.* *a tempo*

When I met you, Sweet! a - May - ing, In that mer - ry, mer - ry

ff. *rit. e dim.* *a tempo*

May.

accelerando