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LITTLE YALLER BOY.

NEGRO SONG.

Words by Hugh Morton.

Music by Gustave Kerker.



1. Eatin'a

The first system of music consists of a vocal line on a single staff and a piano accompaniment on two staves. The key signature has one sharp (F#) and the time signature is common time (C). The vocal line begins with a rest followed by a few notes. The piano accompaniment starts with a piano (p) dynamic marking.

piece of wa - ter - mil - yun, on der rail fence o - ver yon - der, Sits a whar yo' s'pose he got dat great, big slice of wa - ter - mil - yun? Gawg - ie

The second system continues the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The piano accompaniment features a piano-piano (pp) dynamic marking.

boy; A lit - tle goos - ey, goos - ey gan - der, lit - tle yal - ler boy, With kinky boy! De people says you is a vil - lian, says you pil - - fer, But mammy

The third system continues the vocal line and piano accompaniment.

kink - ey, kink - ey hair - y. I'se his mam - my, Oh, yes, I knows dey fals - i - lies yon, knows you's hon - est. All'cept when

The fourth system continues the vocal line and piano accompaniment.

is, I do de - clare - sy; Name is Eph - raim, Gawge Le - an - der, but I bad old Sa - tan tries yei. Don't yer mind der gos - sip neighbors, for dey

The fifth system concludes the vocal line and piano accompaniment.

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al - ways calls him Gawg - ie. He's ma ba - by,..... Is my
fib - bles like der dick - ens; Youse a an - gel,..... And yer

lit - tle Gawg-ie Pawg - ie, an' dey say he's might-y like 'ty That some
nev - er stole no chick - ens, an' if Sa - tan was to tempt yer Wid a

day he'll be a sail - or, But his dad - dy do de - clar he knows e -
aig, I know you'd mock it. But..... whata boy to do when aigs are

nough to be a tai - lor! Lit - tle yal - ler boy, come hyah to me,..... I wants to
laid right in his pock - et? Lit - tle yal - ler boy, come hyah to me,..... I wants to

hold yer..... right on my knee;..... For I'se been all day wiv - out yer, Wants ter



put ma arms a - bout yer, Yes, mam-my wiv her ba - by wants ter

be..... Dey calls me nigger,..... I doesn't car,..... Dar's ma com-fort,..... righto-ver

2. - Lit-tle Eph - raim, Gawge, Leander; Lit-tle goosey, goosey, gander, He's ma

sweet-ness, yes, he are, yes, he are, yes, he

are! 1. 2. Now are!

