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IF I HAD YOU

Song

SUCCESSFULLY SONG BY MR. JOHN J. NESTOR



WORDS BY
MYRTLE REED

MUSIC BY
E. E. GUILFORD

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IF I HAD

STARNER

Inscribed with best wishes to Mrs. E.A. Dickerson, Portland, Oregon.

"If I Had You"

Words by
MYRTLE REED.

Music by
EARLE E. GUILFORD.

The piano introduction is in 4/4 time, starting with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). It begins with a series of chords in the right hand and a simple bass line in the left hand. The first measure is marked with a forte (*f*) dynamic. The piece concludes with a *rit.* (ritardando) marking over the final few notes.

The first two lines of the song are set in 4/4 time with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp. The vocal line is written on a single staff, with lyrics underneath. The piano accompaniment is shown in two staves (treble and bass clefs). The lyrics for the first two lines are: "If I could have my dear - est wish ful - filled, And is more joy to my poor lov - ing heart, In".

The last two lines of the song continue in the same 4/4 time and key signature. The vocal line and piano accompaniment are shown. The lyrics for the last two lines are: "take my choice of all earth's treas - ures too, Or ev' - ry thing you think or say or do, Than". The piano accompaniment includes markings for *rit.* (ritardando) and *a tempo* (return to original tempo).

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choose from Heav - en what soe' - er I will, I'd
all the joys which Heaven could ere im - part, Be -

ask for you, I'd ask for you, No
cause its you, Be - cause its you, In

man I'd en - vy nei - ther high nor low, No
life's long chain of swift re - ced - ing years, I

a tempo

Fin. *

King in cas - tle old nor pal - ace new, I'd
would I might re - trace each step a - new, As

p

If I had you. 4

hold Gol - con - da's mines less rich than I, If
through it all, my Heaven on earth would be, If

dim in endo

I had you, If I had you, I had you, If I had had you, If

Ped. *

Chorus. with expression.

I had you, If I had

you, The fu - ture years would

seem — but few, And life would be but

fed. *

one long dream, If I had you, If

rit. p

I had you.

fed. *

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Fine.