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PETER

Anon.

Vp. 016629
c 1900
Peter ●

Believed to be another spiritual that freely mixes references to the New and Old Testaments, all in a brisk tempo and light mood. This is related to several Jonah and the Whale songs, one of which was first published in *Old Plantation Hymns* in 1899. These are believed, however, to have been used more as college glee-club songs than as spirituals.

Peter

(OR JONAH)

Traditional

The musical score is written in G major and 2/4 time. It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The first system starts with a G chord and the lyrics "Pe - ter, (Pe - ter) Pe - ter, (Pe - ter)". The second system starts with a D7 chord and the lyrics "Pe - ter on the sea, sea, sea, sea, Pe - ter, (Pe - ter) Pe - ter, (Pe - ter)". The third system starts with a G chord and the lyrics "Pe - ter on the sea, sea, sea, sea, Pe - ter, (Pe - ter) Pe - ter, (Pe - ter)". The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords in the right hand.

G

Pe - ter, (Pe - ter) Pe - ter, (Pe - ter)

D7

Pe - ter on the sea, sea, sea, sea, Pe - ter, (Pe - ter) Pe - ter, (Pe - ter)

G

Pe - ter on the sea, sea, sea, sea, Pe - ter, (Pe - ter) Pe - ter, (Pe - ter)

G Am7 D7

Pe - ter on the sea, sea, sea, sea, Pe - ter on the sea, sea,

Am (F7 — D7) Am7

Pe - ter on the sea, sea, Pe - ter on the

1. D7 G Am7 D7 G

sea, sea, now. now.

Fine ritard

Who did, who did, who did, who did } (3 times)
 Who did swallow Jonah, Jonah?
 Who did swallow Jonah? (2 times)
 Who did swallow Jonah whole?

The whale did, the whale did the whale did, } (3 times)
 the whale did
 The whale did swallow Jonah, Jonah.
 The whale did swallow Jonah (2 times)
 The whale did swallow Jonah whole.

Jonah, Jonah, Jonah, Jonah } (3 times)
 Jonah in the whale's belly.
 Jonah in the belly (2 times)
 Jonah in the belly whole.

Daniel, Daniel, Daniel, Daniel } (3 times)
 Daniel in the lion.
 Daniel in the lion (2 times)
 Daniel in the lion's den.

Repeat first verse