

A
SOLDIER
IN DE
COLORED BRIGADE

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A SOLDIER IN THE COLORED BRIGADE.

Moderato.

The piano introduction consists of two staves in 2/4 time. The right hand features a melodic line with eighth and sixteenth notes, while the left hand provides a rhythmic accompaniment with chords and single notes.

Old Un - cle Abram wants us, And we're com - ing right a - long I tell you what it

The first line of lyrics is accompanied by a vocal melody and piano accompaniment. The piano part features a steady eighth-note accompaniment in the right hand and a bass line in the left hand.

is, we're gwine to mus - ter migh - ty strong Then fare you well my hon - ey dear! now

The second line of lyrics continues the vocal melody and piano accompaniment. The piano part maintains the same rhythmic pattern as the first line.

dont you be a - fraid I's bound to be a sol - dier in de - colored bri - gade

The third line of lyrics concludes the vocal melody and piano accompaniment. The piano part ends with a final chord in the right hand and a bass note in the left hand.

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TENOR
A sol - dier! a sol - dier, in de dar - key bri - gade! I's

SOP

ALTO
A sol - dier! a sol - dier, in de dar - key bri - gade! I's

BASS

bound to be a sol - dier in de col - ored bri - gade.

bound to be a sol - dier in de col - ored bri - gade.

2.

O! when we meet de enemy I spec we make 'em stare,
I tink he'll catch a tartar when he meets de woolly hair.
We'll fight while we are able and in greenbacks we'll be paid,
And soon I'll be a Colonel in de Colored Brigade.

Chorus. A Colonel! A Colonel in de darkey Brigade,
And soon I'll be a Colonel in de Colored Brigade!

3.

Wid musket on my shoulder and wid banjo in my hand,
For Union, and de Constitution as it was I stand.
Now some folks tink de darkey for dis fighting was'nt made,
We'll show dem what's de matter in de Colored Brigade.

Chorus. De matter! De matter in de darkey Brigade,
We'll show dem what's de matter in de Colored Brigade!

4.

In days ob Gen'ral Washington we fought de British well,
Behind de bales wid "Hickory" I tink we made 'em yell.
I tell you we're de chickens dat can handle gun or spade,
And Greeley he'll go wid us in de Colored Brigade.

Chorus. Go wid us! Go wid us in de darkey Brigade,
And Greeley he'll go wid us in de Colored Brigade!

5.

Some say dey lub de darkey and dey want him to be free,
I spec dey only fooling and dey better let him be.
For him dey'd brake dis Union which de're forefadders hab made,
Worth more dan twenty millions ob de Colored Brigade.

Chorus. Dan millions! Dan millions of de darkey Brigade,
Worth more dan twenty millions ob de Colored Brigade!

6.

Den cheer up now my honey dear I hear de trumpets play,
And gib me just a little buss before I go away.
I'll marry you when I come back so dont you be afraid,
We'll raise up picanninnies for de Colored Brigade.

Chorus. Ninnies! Ninnies for de darkey Brigade,
We'll raise up picanninnies for de Colored Brigade!