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# WHEN DE CHICKENS BY EDWIN FOY, OF HENDERSON'S AMERICAN EXTRAVAGANZA Co., IN "SINBAD" HOMeward FLY.

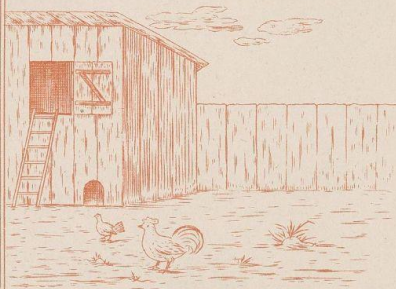
COMIC SONG

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COMPOSER OF

"LOVE LET MY HEART BE YOURS;" "STALEY'S BYE BYE SONG;"  
"QUESTIONS THAT I'D RATHER NOT DECIDE;"  
"QUEEN OF THE BALL;" "OLD CUCKOO QUARTET;" Etc.



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# When De Chickens Homeward Fly.

Words by Will K. Hamilton.

Music by Roy L. Burtch.

**Allegro.**

The piano introduction consists of two staves in 2/4 time, marked *f*. 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.

The first system shows the vocal melody and piano accompaniment for the first verse. The vocal line is in a single staff, and the piano accompaniment is in two staves. The lyrics are:

1. Dar aint no use in talk in 'Bout de chick-ens roos- in  
 2. Now tune up all your ban-jos Let us play dat old time  
 3. Oh, mam-my keep dat wa-ter hot, Chop down de Christ-mas

The second system shows the vocal melody and piano accompaniment for the second verse. The vocal line is in a single staff, and the piano accompaniment is in two staves. The lyrics are:

high, For de nig-gers gwine to hab-un, If he  
 tune, And we'll all dance de shuf-fle, Till de  
 fern, De De-bil ne-ber git you Lige For

takes'em on de sly, You'll find de nig - gers  
 hid - in' of de moon, Ah den's our time for  
 your to green to burn, De rib - ber Jor - dan's

rest - in', When de sun am in de sky, For they've  
 work - in', When de springtime most near by, We'll  
 wide to cross, With feath - ers we can fly, So

fin ished all their bus - i - ness, When de chick - ens home - ward fly. \_\_\_\_\_  
 hab to hus - tle like de deuce 'Fore de chick - ens home - ward fly. \_\_\_\_\_  
 we must get a wing to flop, 'Fore de chick - ens home - ward fly. \_\_\_\_\_

CHORUS.

1. Slip a - long, slip a - long, De own - ers on de  
 2. Come a seb'n, come a eb'n, De moon am smil - ing  
 3. De de - bil, de de - bil, We are gwine to

*S<sup>va</sup>*

watch, Slip a - long, slip a - long, Eas - y or you'll be  
 yet, Come a seb'n, come a leb'n Five I win the  
 cheat De de - bil, de de - bil, Is might - y hard to

*8<sup>va</sup>*

cotched, Slip a - long, slip a - long, Don't  
 bet, Come a seb'n, Come a leb'n De  
 beat, Come Lige Come Bill,

let dat chick - en cry, We're gwine to hab a  
moon hab left the sky, Now lebe your bones and  
Don't stand there and sigh, De Lord helps dem, dat

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yum yum time, When de chick - ens home - ward fly.  
come a long, 'Fore de chick - ens home - ward fly.  
help dem selves, 'Fore de chick - ens home - ward fly.

**WALK  
AROUND**

*f*