

THE LOST LETTER.

SONG AND CHORUS.

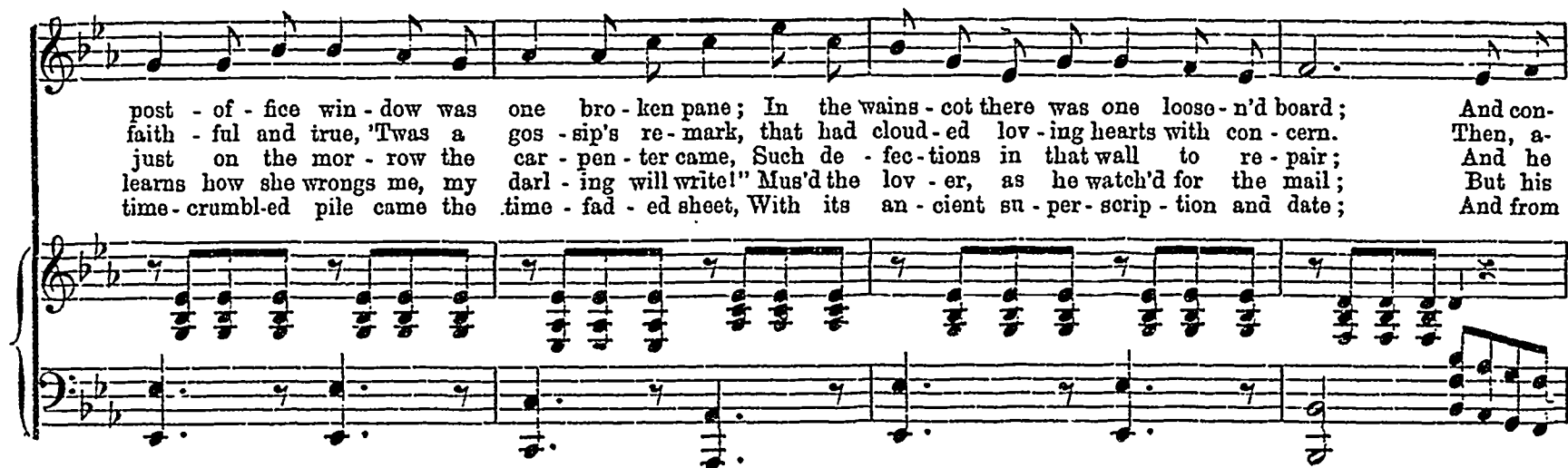
Words and Music by

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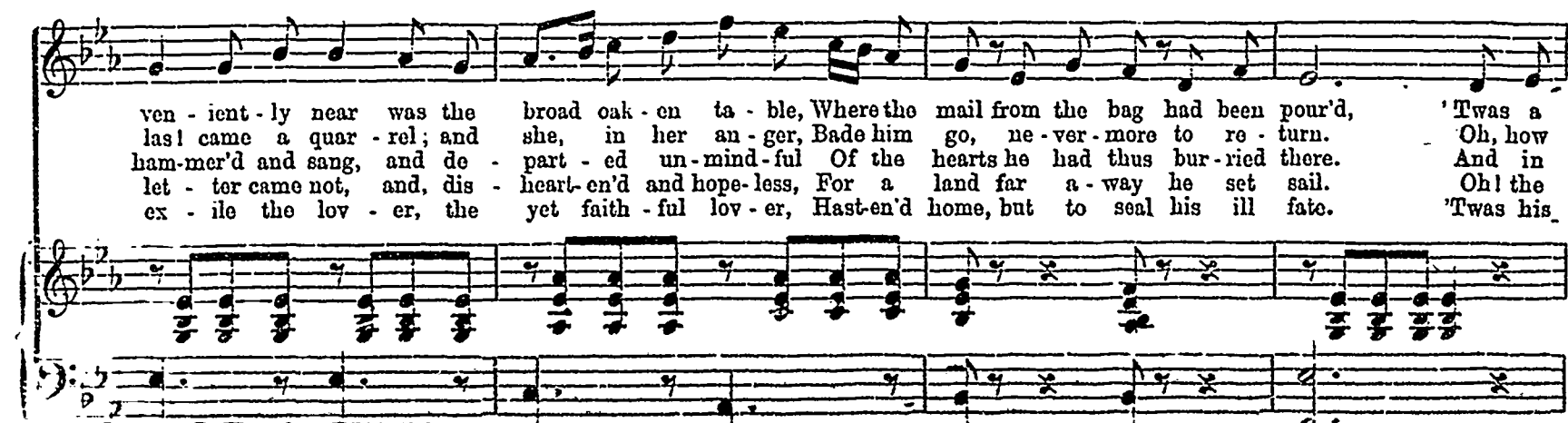


1. In the
2. Both were
3. It was
4. "When she
5. From the



post - of - fice win - dow was one bro - ken pane; In the wains - cot there was one loose - n'd board;
 faith - ful and true, 'Twas a gos - sip's re - mark, that had cloud - ed lov - ing hearts with con - cern.
 just on the mor - row the car - pen - ter came, Such de - fec - tions in that wall to re - pair;
 learns how she wrongs me, my darl - ing will write! "Mus'd the lov - er, as he watch'd for the mail;
 time - crumbl - ed pile came the time - fad - ed sheet, With its an - cient su - per - scrip - tion and date;

And con -
 Then, a -
 And he
 But his
 And from



ven - ient - ly near was the broad oak - en ta - ble, Where the mail from the bag had been pour'd,
 last came a quar - rel; and she, in her an - ger, Bade him go, ne - ver - more to re - turn.
 ham - mer'd and sang, and de - part - ed un - mind - ful Of the hearts he had thus bur - ied there.
 let - ter came not, and, dis - heart - en'd and hope - less, For a land far a - way he set sail.
 ex - ile the lov - er, the yet faith - ful lov - er, Hast - en'd home, but to seal his ill fate.

'Twas a
 Oh, how
 And in
 Oh! the
 'Twas his