

Who Will Care for Mother Now?

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During one of our late battles, among many other noble fellow that fell, was a young man who had been the only support of an aged and sick mother for years. Hearing the surgeon tell those who were near him that he could not live, he placed his hand across his forehead, and with a trembling voice said, while burning tears ran down his fevered cheeks: "Who will care for mother now?"

Moderato assai *Rall.*

9 *espress.*

1. Why am I so weak and wea - ry, See how faint my heat - ed
2. Who will com - fort her in sor - row? Who will dry the fall - ing
3. Let this knap - sack be my pil - low, And my man - tle be the

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breath, All a - round to me seems dark - ness,
tear, Gen - tly smooth her wrin - kled fore - head?
sky; Has - ten, com - rades, to the bat - tle,

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Tell me, com - rades, is this death? Ah! now well I know your an -
 Who will whis - per words of cheer? E - ven now I think I see
 I will like a sol - dier die. Soon with an - gels I'll be march -

F B $\flat$ Cm/E $\flat$ E $\flat$ 7 D F B $\flat$ F7/A B $\flat$ F7 F B $\flat$

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swer; To my fate I'll meek - ly bow, _____ If you'll
 her Kneel - ing, pray - ing for me! How _____ Can I
 ing, With bright lau - rels on my brow, _____ I have

B $\flat$ E $\flat$ B $\flat$ C7 F B $\flat$ G dim

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on - ly tell me tru - ly, Who will care for moth - er now? _____
 leave her in her an - guish? Who will care for moth - er now? _____
 for my coun - try fall - en, Who will care for moth - er now? _____

B $\flat$ E $\flat$ B $\flat$ B $\flat$ F B $\flat$ F7 N.C. B $\flat$

40 *con spirito*

Soon with an-gels I'll be march - ing, With bright lau-rels on my brow. _____

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B $\flat$ B $\flat$ E $\flat$ B $\flat$ B $\flat$ F7 B $\flat$ F7 B $\flat$ F F7 B $\flat$ F

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I have for my coun-try fall - en; Who will care for moth-er now? _____

I have for my coun-try fall - en; Who will care for moth-er now? _____

B $\flat$ E $\flat$ B $\flat$ Adim B $\flat$ E $\flat$ C $\flat$ B $\flat$ /F F7(omit 5) B $\flat$