

A Life in the West

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Allegro con spirito

The musical score is written for piano in 3/4 time, featuring a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It is divided into four systems of staves. The first system (measures 1-7) includes the tempo marking 'Allegro con spirito' and dynamic markings 'poco forte' and 'mf'. The second system (measures 8-14) includes a trill (tr) in measure 14. The third system (measures 15-20) includes a fermata (A) in measure 15 and an 8va marking. The fourth system (measures 21-26) includes a staccato marking, a piano (p) dynamic, and a pianissimo (pp) dynamic. The score uses various musical notations including eighth notes, quarter notes, half notes, and chords, with some notes marked as 8va (octave above).

27 *(8va)* *poco a poco*

34 *§* F F B $\flat$ F C7 F

1. Oh! broth - ers, come hith - er, and list to my sto - ry, Mer - ry and brief will the
 3. Here, broth - ers, se - cure from all tur-moil and dan-ger, We reap what we sow, for the

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41 F C7 F F B $\flat$ F

nar - ra-tive be, Here, like a mon-arch, I reign in my glo - ry,
 soil is our own; We spread hos-pi - tal - i - ty's board for the stran-ger, And

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47 Dm G7 C7 F

Mas - ter am I, boys, of all that I see.
 care not a fig for the king on his throne. *8va*-----

53 C G7 C G7

Where once frowned a for - est, a gar - den is
(8va)----- We nev - er know want, for we live by our

59 C C G7 C G7 C C G7

smil - ing; The mead - ows and moor - lands are marsh - es no more; And there curls the
 la - bor, And in it con - tent - ment and hap - pi - ness find; We do what we

65 C G F C C G7 C F C Em G

smoke of my cot - tage, be - guil - ing The chil - dren who clus - ter like grapes at the
can for a friend or a neigh - bor, And die, boys, in peace and good will to man -

71 C F F G7 F Dm

door. Then en - ter boys; cheer - i - ly, boys, en - ter and rest; The land of the
kind. Then en - ter boys, cheer - i - ly, boys, en - ter and rest; The land of the

77 G7 C7 F Bb F C7

heart is the land of the west. O - ho, boys! O - ho, boys! O - ho, boys! O -
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83 F B $\flat$ F C7 F

ho!
ho!

(8^{va})

83

p

89 (8^{va})

pp *poco a poco* Fine

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2. Talk not of the town, boys, give me the broad prai-rie, Where man, like the wind, roams im -

96

mp

103

pul-sive and free; Be-hold how its beau-ti-ful col-ors all var-y, Like

109

those of the clouds, or the deep roll-ing sea.

8va-----

115

A life in the woods, boys, is ev-en as

(8va)-----

121

chang - ing; With proud in - de - pend - ence we sea - son our cheer, And

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those who the world are for hap - pi - ness rang - ing, Won't find it at all, if they

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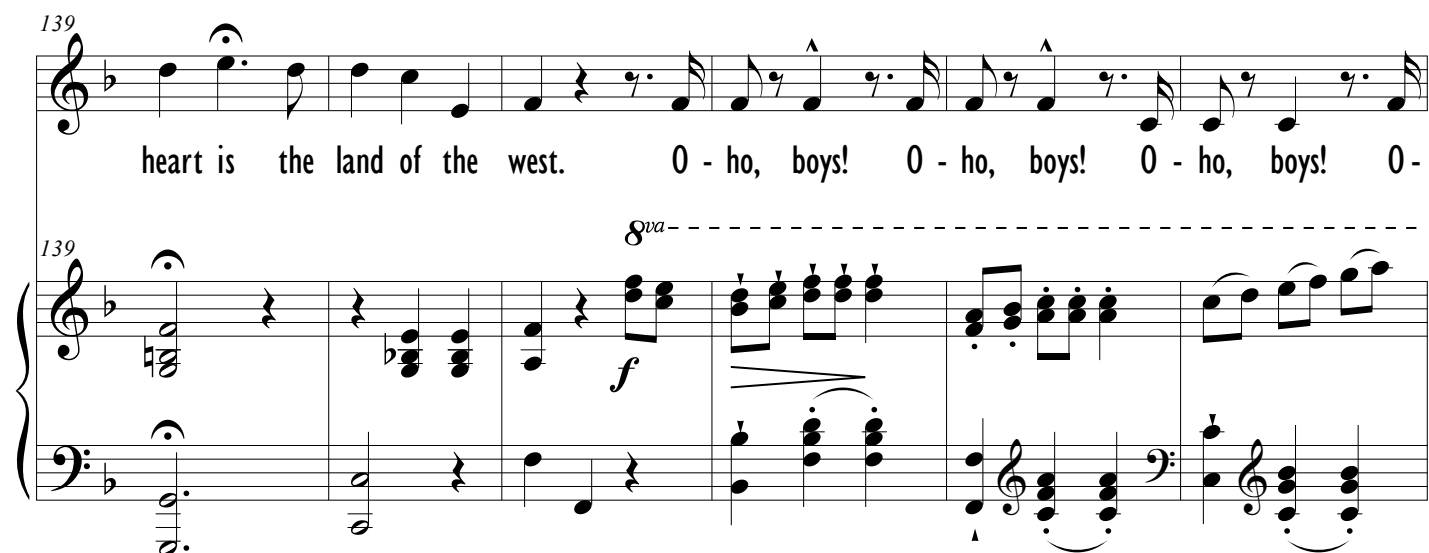
don't find it here. Then en - ter boys; cheer - i - ly, boys, en - ter and rest; The land of the

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heart is the land of the west. 0 - ho, boys! 0 - ho, boys! 0 - ho, boys! 0 -

8^{va}

f



145

ho!

(8^{va})

145

p



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D.S. al Fine

(8^{va})

151

pp

poco a poco

