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I've Been Married Once

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Moderato lachrymoso

Vamp

The piano introduction consists of two systems of music. The first system is marked 'Moderato lachrymoso' and features a treble clef with a melody of eighth notes and a bass clef with a steady accompaniment. The second system is marked 'Vamp' and features a treble clef with a melody of quarter notes and a bass clef with a steady accompaniment. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is common time (C).

The first system of vocal and piano accompaniment. The vocal line is in the treble clef and the piano accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "Have you ev - er had a sneak - y feel - ing steal - ing down your spine? Your Be - fore we wed she of - ten said our lives would be a song, But the".

The second system of vocal and piano accompaniment. The vocal line is in the treble clef and the piano accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "head was hot your feet were full of chills. Your ap - pe - tite was miss - ing and you'd song some - how was al - ways off the key. The boss would keep me work - ing at the".

The third system of vocal and piano accompaniment. The vocal line is in the treble clef and the piano accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "sit a - round and pine, And the doc - tor's bills could nev - er cure your ills? of - fice all day long, And in the eve - ning she'd think up new jobs for me."

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I had it once and though I strug-gled like a worm, Be -
"Hook up my back, put out the cat and clean the range, And

for I knew it I was up for life.
don't you throw the ash - es on the floor.

Hooked and land - ed high and dry 'twas no more use to squirm, Id
Aint you done the dish - es yet? Have you an - y change? And

said the fa - tal words and had a wife:
run down stairs, there's moth - er at the door:

I've been married once

REFRAIN.

I've been mar-ried once, on - ly once,

mf-f

But I've served my term and now I'm free.

Wed - ding bells are fine in their line, But not for mine, For

that once, just that once was once too much for me. — me.

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fz

I've been married once

I've Been Married Once
Extra Verses

3.

It wasn't very long before we had a pair of pets,
Of course, I mean a parrot and a cat;
And then she got a new idea and joined the suffragettes,
And left me every night there in the flat.
The police got the suffragettes, I heard of it with glee,
My wife and every one were in the jail;
Oh, I was so happy, till she telephoned to me,
Bring seven dollars here and pay my bail.

4.

One rainy night I stayed out late, a game of bridge - with booze,
And started home as meek as any lamb;
I reached the house and on the stairs I then "finessed" my shoes,
When the front door had to make "a little slam";
It woke my wife, she cut the "rules" and "led a club" to start,
When she "declared the trump" it gave me pain,
If I'd only had a "diamond make" or she had had a "heart,"
I wouldn't have had to sleep out in the rain.

5.

One night - I had been drinking - I confess - a little bit,
And when I got home, a scheme came to my mind;
So I went up to the library - I thought 'twould make a hit,
And took the biggest book that I could find.
I sat there looking at the book and feeling very wise -
When my better half came in the room and said;
"I don't know what you think you're doing but I would advise
You shut up that dress-suit case and come to bed."