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Honeydew

MY HUSBAND'S DEAREST FRIEND

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DUET

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Moderato con moto

PIANO

mf

The piano introduction consists of two staves (treble and bass clef) in a 2/4 time signature. The melody is in the right hand, starting with a quarter note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, and C5. The accompaniment in the left hand features a steady eighth-note bass line. The piece concludes with a final chord in the right hand.

§ VOICE LENORE

It grieves me when I re - al - ize That you're my hus - band's friend, — And
Tho' fet - tered down by Hy - men's chains, The bonds I'd glad - ly break — And

p poco rubato

R.H.

The first vocal line is written on a single staff in a soprano clef. The piano accompaniment is on two staves. The piano part includes a 'p poco rubato' marking and a 'R.H.' annotation pointing to a specific chord in the right hand.

so re - fuse to sym - pa - thize Or your as - sis - tance lend — To
cast dis - cre - tion to the winds With hap - pi - ness as stake! — But

The second vocal line continues the melody. The piano accompaniment features a 'p.' marking and a dynamic hairpin.

soothe an ach - ing, hun - gry heart Whose pangs my spir - it rend — And
should I make this sac - ri - fice, Ah, then would love en - dure? — Would

The final vocal line concludes the piece. The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support with various chordal textures.

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wreck my life, Be - cause I'm wife Of him! your dear - est friend! — And
 you es - chew The pro - verb, "To the pure, all things are pure?" — Would

HOWARD and LENORE

wreck my life, Be - cause I'm wife Of him! your dear - est friend! — We'll
 you es - chew The pro - verb, "To the pure, all things are pure?" —

have to be con - tent - ed with At - tach - ment "a la Pla - to" De -

agitato

-nied to us love's joy - ous in - dis - cre - tions with - out end; — Our heart's desires tho' in ac - cord Will

hard - ly com - pen - sate (H) Oh! How I wish that I were not your
 (L) Oh! How I wish that you were not my

hus - band's dear - est friend! How I wish that I were not your hus - band's dearest
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friend! _
 friend! _

mf *D.S.*

friend! _ *poco rall.*
 friend! _ My hus - band's dear - est friend! _
 friend! _ Your hus - band's dear - est friend! _

mf *poco rall.*