

Be Demure.

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Music by
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Allegro moderato

Voice.

Piano.

mf

poco accel

rit.

I've a
Now I

se - cret that I'd like to whis - per faint - - ly, — Oh! it's a
have an - oth - er se - cret I will whis - per, — And I will

p

se - cret that I'm sure you'll not re - veal. If
tell the truth what - ev - er may be - fall. Per -

The musical score is presented in two systems. The first system shows the beginning of the piece with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a 4/4 time signature. The tempo is marked 'Allegro moderato'. The voice part begins with a whole rest, followed by a half note G4, and then a quarter note G4. The piano accompaniment starts with a mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic, featuring a series of chords in the right hand and a steady bass line in the left hand. The second system continues the vocal line with lyrics: 'se - cret that I'd like to whis - per faint - - ly, — Oh! it's a have an - oth - er se - cret I will whis - per, — And I will'. The piano accompaniment continues with a piano (*p*) dynamic. The third system shows the final vocal phrase: 'se - cret that I'm sure you'll not re - veal. If tell the truth what - ev - er may be - fall. Per -'. The piano accompaniment concludes with a few chords. Performance markings include 'poco accel' and 'rit.' in the piano part.

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you would win suc-cess, you must be saint - ly, — No mat - ter
haps this art - less mod - est lit - tle lis - per, — Is real - ly

how unsaint-ly you may feel. It's quite a fad at present to be
not an an - gel af - ter all. Her face may be ma - don - na - like and

mf

dove - like — And it is real - ly quite the fash - ion to be
prayr - ful, — Still it is fool - ish waste of time to be too



pure; You must wear an air not de - bon-nair but
 good; But — clev - er girls must al - ways be so

dove - like — When an - y - bo - dy's look - ing be de -
 care - ful, — Or else, you know they'll be mis - un - der -

mure.
 stood. You just cast down your long and silk-en lash - es, Be de -

mure! Be de - mure! Be greatly shocked if an - y per - son



rash is; Be de - mure! Be de - mure! You

cul-ti-vate the art of smil-ing sweet-ly, Be de - mure! oh! be de -

mure! You take re - fuge in sin - pli - ci - ty, With

in-no-cent fe-li-ci-ty, you must not un-derstand a word they say.