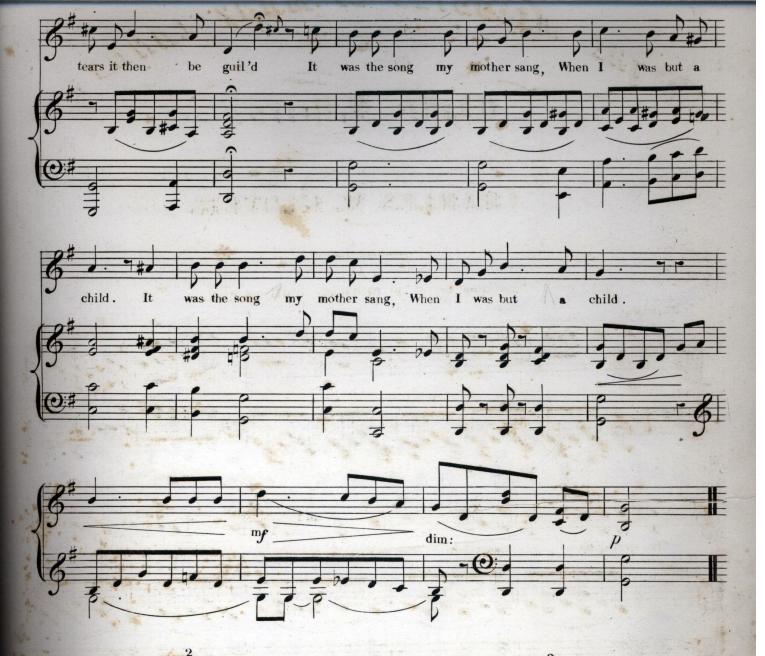


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Its words, I well remember now,
Were fraught with precepts old;
And every line a maxim held
Of far more worth than gold:
A lesson 'twas, tho' simply taught,
That cannot pass away;

It is my guiding star by night,
My comfort in the day

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My comfort in the day.



To seek a solace there,

Where only stricken hearts could find
Meet answer to their prayer.

Ah! much I owe that gentle voice,
Whose words my tears beguil'd;

That song of songs my mother sang,
When I was but a child

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It told me in the hour of need,