

The Goslings

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Music: Frederick Bridge
(1844-1924)

Allegro con moto (♩ = 138)

S. *p stacc.* *f*
A. She was a pret-ty lit-tle gos-ling, And a gay young gos-ling _
T. *p stacc.* *f*
B.

4 *p dolce e legato* *rit.* And 'I love you too,'
he: *p dolce e legato* And 'I love you,' he said, 'so dear-ly;' said _
p dolce e legato

8 *pp* *f* *p*
she. *con espress.* But 'a-las! we must part,' he whis-pered, 'I'm off to the world so wide; But
pp *f* *p*

13 *rall.* **Tempo a la marcia**
f love, don't fear, I'll come next year, And make you, and make_ you_ my_ lit-tle
f

18

f *rall.*

bride.' (To be hummed)

f

Tempo I

p stacc. *f* *dolce e legato* *p*

'Twas Mi-chael-mas day at morn-ing, That he came home once more, He _

p stacc. *f* *p*

27

rall. molto *con espress.*

met his _ true love's mo - ther, And oh! she was weep - ing _ sore. 'Too

rall. molto *con espress.*

31

pp *f* *rall.* *p*

late you've come,' she whis-pered, 'They've ta - ken your love a - way, She ne-ver will be your

pp *f* *p*

Tempo a la marcia

pp *f*

bride, ah, me! For she's go - ing, she's go - ing, to be cooked _ to -

pp *f*

40 **Lento e con molto espress.** *pp* **rall.**

day! (To be hummed)

pp

Tempo I *p stacc.* 45 **f >** **ff** *accel. ed agitato*

Then up he went to the farm-house: 'Where is my love?' he said; But the

p stacc. **f >** **ff**

49 **Lento** *con espress.* **lunga** **p** *senza rall.* **lunga**

far - mer's wife she seized a knife And cut off his lit - tle head. And she

senza rall. **lunga** **p** **lunga**

53 **p** **Grave** **p**

served him up with his true love, On a dish so deep and wide, So though in

p **Grave** **p**

58 **Maestoso** **f** **rall.**

life they were part - ed, In death they were side by side. though they were part - ed,

Maestoso **f** **rall.**