

Vilja

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from 'The Merry Widow'

A

Fl.

Vc.

pizz

B

5

KP.

Vc.

arco

1. There once was a Vil - ia, a witch of a wood. A hunt - er be-held her a - lone as she stood. The
2. The wood maid-en-smiled, and no an - swer shegave. But beck-on'd him in - to the shade of the cave; He

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KP.

Vc.

spell of her beau - ty up - on him was laid; He look'd and he long'd for the mag - ic - al maid!
nev - er had known such a rap - tur - ous bliss. No maid - en of mor - tals so sweet - ly can kiss!

C

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KP.

A.

Vc.

For a sud dentrem or ran, right thro' the love be-wild er'dman. And he sigh'd as a hap less lov-er can.
As be-fore her feet he lay, she van ish'd in the wood a-way. And he call'd vain ly till his dy-ing day.

Mm Mm Mm Mm Mm

30 **D** ♩=60

KP. "Vil - ia, O Vil - ia! the witch of the wood! Would I not die for you, dear, if I
Vc. *p*

37 KP. could! Vil - ia, O Vil - ia, my love and my bride!" Soft - ly and sad - ly he
Vc.

44 **E**
KP. sigh'd.____
A. Ah____ Vi - lia, oh Vi - lia, my Nymph of the Night, call - ing, en thrall - ing my heart with de light.
Vc. *mf*

54 **F** 1.
KP. "Vil - ia, O Vil - ia, my love and my bride!" Soft - ly and sad - ly he sigh'd.____
Vc.

62 **G** 2.
KP. sigh'd. Sad - ly he sigh'd, Vil - ia.____
A. Ah Ah Ah____ Ah
Vc.