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WE WERE BOYS TOGETHER.

A BALLAD.



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GRAZIOSO.

CON ANIMA.

The musical score is written for piano and consists of two staves per system. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is common time (C). The piece begins with a piano (*p*) dynamic. The first system includes the tempo marking *GRAZIOSO.* and the performance instruction *CON ANIMA.* The score features a variety of rhythmic patterns, including eighth and sixteenth notes, and rests. A crescendo (*Cres:*) is indicated in the second system. The piece concludes with a piano (*p*) dynamic and an *8va* marking above the final notes of the upper staff.

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It features a vocal line with lyrics and a piano accompaniment. The key signature has one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "We were boys to-ge-ther, And never can for-get..... The school-house near the heather, In child-hood where we met;..... Nor the green home, to memo-ry dear, It's sor-rows and its joys, Which called the transi-ent smile or tear, When you and I were boys!". The piano part consists of a right-hand melody with many slurs and a left-hand accompaniment with chords and moving lines. There are some performance markings like '8va' and '8va' with dashed lines indicating octave shifts.

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school-house near the heather, In child-hood where we met;..... Nor the

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Poco Andante.

Were old men to...ge...ther! The friends we loved of yore,..... With

leaves of au...tumn wea...ther, Are gone for e...ver more!..... How

blest to age the im...pulse given, The hope, time ne'er destroys, Which

led our thoughts from earth to heaven When you and I were boys!

Andante Assai.

pp

8^{va}

We were youths to... ge... ther, And castles built in air! Your

heart was like a fea... ther, While mine was dash'd with care! To

you came wealth, with man... hood's prime, To me it brought al... loys, Ne'er

im... aged in the prin... rose time, When you and I were boys!