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The Two Old Bachelors

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Two old ba - che lors were li - ving in one house. One caught a mu - ffin, the

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o - ther caught a mouse. Said he who caught the mu - ffin to him who caught the Mouse: This

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ha - ppens just in time! for we've no thing in the house, 'save a ti - ny slice of le - mon and a

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teaspoon full of ho - ney, and what to do for din - nersince we have - n't an - y mo - ney? And

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what can we ex - pect, if we have - n't an - y din - er but to lose our teeth and eye - lash - es and

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keep on grow ing thin ner? Said he who caught the Mouse to him who caught the Mu - ffin, 'We might

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cook this lit - tle Mouse, if we on - ly had some stuff - ing, If we had but sage and on - ion we could

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do ex - treme - ly well. But how to get that stuff - in' it is di - ffi - cult to tell!

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some one said, 'a hill there is, a lit - tle to the north and to its pur - ple - di - cul - ar top a

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nar - row way leads forth, And there am - ong the rug - ged rocks a - bides an an - cient sage. An

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ear - nest man who reads all day a most per - plex - ing page. Climb up and seize him by the toes all

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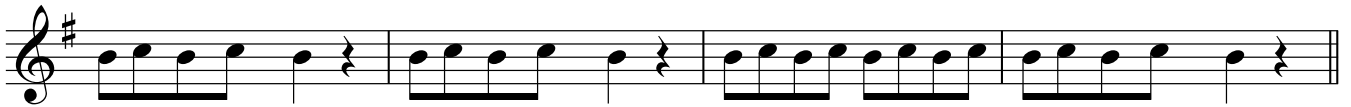
stud - ious as he sits. And pull him down and chop him in - to end - less lit - tle bits. Then

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emphatic!
mix him with your on - ion (cut up like wise in - to scraps). When your stuf - fin' will be rea - dy and

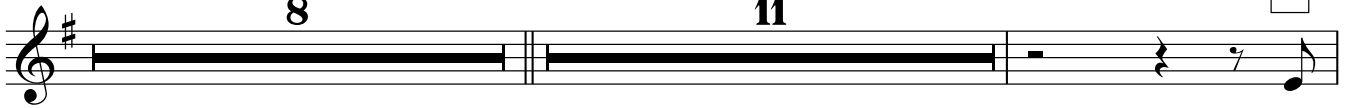
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ve - ry good per - haps ve - ry good per - haps ve - ry ve - ry ve - ry ve - ry ve - ry good per - haps

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Those

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two old bach - e - lors with - out loss of time. The near - ly pur - ple - dic - u - lar crags at

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once be - gan to climb. And at the top a - mong the rocks all seat - ed in a rook. They

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saw that Sage a reading of a most e - nous - mous book. "You ear nest Sage" a - loud they cried, "your

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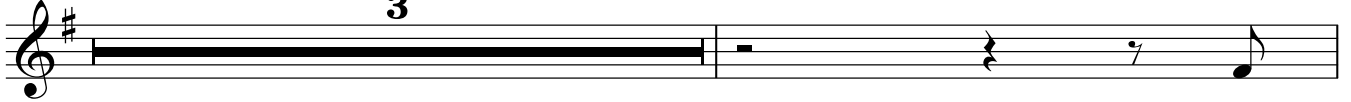
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book you've read e - nough in, we wish to chop you in - to bits to mix you in - to stu - ffin!

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that old sage looked calm ly up and with his aw ful book, at those two bach - che - lors bald heads a

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cer-tain aim he took. And o - ver crag and pre - ci-pic they rolled pro-mis-cuous down, At

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Half whispered

once they rolled and ne - ver stopped in lane or field or town. And

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when they reached their house, they found (be - sides their want of stuf - fin). The

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mouse had fled and previous ly had ea - ten up the mu ffin. They left their home in si - lence by the

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once con - vi - vial door and from that hour those ba - che - lors were ne - ver heard of more.

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