

THE WINTER'S WILLOW

A Country Song

Words in Dorset Dialect by

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Andante con moto *mp* *semplice*

Voice

Piano

p

There Lid - dy zot¹ be -

zide her cow, Up - on her low - ly seat, O; A hood did_ au - ver -

hang her brow, Her païl wer' at her veet, O; An' she wer' kind, an'

¹ sat.

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she wer' feäir, An' she wer' young, an' free o' ceäre;² Vew³ win - ters had a -

mf

colla voce *mf*

blown her heäir, Be - zide the win - ter's wil - low.

p

pp

A - bove the — coach - wheels' rol - lèn rims She

p legato

nev - er rose to ride, O, Though she do — zet⁴ her

p

2 care. 3 few. 4 seat.

come - ly lim's A - bove the mare's white zide, O; But

don't be - come too proud to stoop An' scrub her milk - èn

pails' white hoop, Or sit a - milk - èn where do droop The

mf *p*

colla voce *mf* *colla voce*

wet stem'd win - ter's wil - low. An' if there's read - ship⁵

p *p*

in her smile, She don't be-grudge to spare, O, To zome - bod - y, a

lit - tle while, The emp - ty woak - en⁶ chair, O; An' if I've luck up -

on my zide, Why I do think she'll be my bride A - vore the leaves ha'

twice a - died Up - on the win - ter's wil - low.

⁶ oaken.