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BE KIND
TO THE
SUFFERING POOR

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"Journeying On," "There's a fresh little mound," &c.*

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PIANO.

Dear mother, I'm sure you can scarcely believe, The sto - ry I'm go - ing to
I saw her poor father so pale in his chair, He's sat there a full year or
Their breakfast was ready, and what do you think? Some soup and a small loaf of
These nice new po - ta - toes, this butter like gold, With ba - con and sug - ar and

tell,..... Of what I just saw when I went with Gen - nieve, To
more,..... And when its not chilly, to give him fresh air, They
bread,..... With two cups of milk for the children to drink, And
rice,..... Al - read - y there's more than my basket will hold, I'm

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help bear her pail from the well, You know ev'ry morning she's
place him just in-side the door, And pushing her i-rons, or
gruel for one in the bed, There's so much to-do, and there's
sure I shall have to go twice, O were I a rob-in, I'd

wa-ter to bring Great pails ful two dozen or more, And
o-ver her tub, Her mother's at work all the while, With
so much they need, They scarce-ly know which way to turn, And
take to my wing, And car-ol at ev-er-y door, And

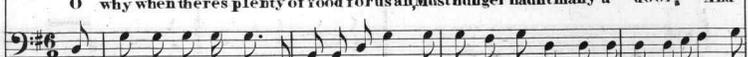
so I skip'd down there to help the poor thing, and went with her clear to the door.
great piles of clothing to suds and to rub, With sel-dom a word or a smile.
three times a day there are six mouths to feed, and on ly two weak hands to earn.
only just this lit-tle song would I sing, "Be kind to the suffering poor?"

CHORUS.

SOP.  **O why when there's plenty of food for us all, Must hunger haunt many a door? And**

ALTO.  **many a door,**

TENOR  **O why when there's plenty of food for us all, Must hunger haunt many a door? And**

BASS.  **many a door,**

PIANO 

 **why must so ma-ny drink wormwood and gall? O is it a crime to be poor?**

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