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FROM THE FLAME

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RECITATION

To be used after first Chorus

Little girl you have youth and a virtuous name
But you're just like a moth being lured by the flame
Yours is the story told time and again
Of lights and of laughter and conquest of men
The sparkle of wine and the lilt of a song
May be all very well, they don't last very long
So be warned by the lesson that millions have learned
If your wings fly too close to the flame they'll be burned
Many more like yourself who have meant just as well
Bravely dared the bright glare till they finally fell
Main Street in the village to you may seem tame
But you'll find in the end it's your place just the same
There's a debt that you owe to some one always true
Just a dear old sweet mother who's waiting for you.

Into the last three lines of the chorus

By the old candle light
She is praying each night
Little moth keep away from the flame.

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Piano

Valse moderato

mf

So you've come to the lights that make days out of
Lit-tle moth there's a light gleam-ing for you each

rall. *p*

nights, you are charmed by the glare of the flame. Lit - tle
night, and it beams thru' the Home win - dow pane. There two

moth have a care, for the road to des - pair, is just crowd - ed by
ten - der eyes yearn, long-ing for your re - turn, as they watch down the

oth - ers who came; Who can tell in the fu - ture what
old Vil - lage Lane; Take the train and go back where most

may be your fate, Don't be sor - ry, just when it's too late. —
folks are sin cere, You will find might - y few of them here. —

poco rall.

Refrain (*tenderly*)

Lit - tle moth keep a - way from the flame. — You are play - ing a

p-f

dan - ger - ous game. — 'Neath the light that shines so bright, —

Man-y trust-ing hearts are ach-ing to night. Who's to blame, lit-tle

moth, Who's to blame ————— If you fol-low the pathway to shame? —————

Take the roadway that turns Where a mother's love yearns, lit-tle moth keep a -

way from the flame. ————— Moth keep a - way from the flame. —————

rall. *high (ad lib) finish!*

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