THE BEST THING IN LIFE

by Chas. K. Harris
Composer of "AFTER THE BALL"
"WOULD YOU CARE?" "SOMEBWHERE" etc.
Andante moderato.

In a well known club one evening sat a number of bright men. They were
The dear General he had spoken, bless his heart he meant it well. Greeted
Then they all sat there in silence while the smoke curled through the air. They had

telling jokes and stories, no troubles troubled them. One young
with applause like thunder he told his story well. They in
given close attention to this gay millionaire. They had

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fellow grew quite serious, said he, "Boys please listen do, I would fancy all could see him in the thickest of the fray. As he nodded to each other, "Yes, I guess the young man's right, For with-

like to ask a question and hear your answer's true. We're fought for home and country and bravely saved the day. Then out a lot of money this old world's hard to fight. A

all of us good fellows, in fact men of the world. You've spoke a young financier, known as a millionaire. "The crash upon the table, a hand comes down quite strong. Up

all passed through adventures and to the depths been hurled. There are answer to that question was given very fair. Yet I sprung a dear old fellow and cried 'Boys, you are wrong! There is

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ma - ny here have sweet-hearts, while there's some a charm - ing wife._ Come now
think there's some-thing bet - ter than great glo - ry and vain strife._ Now I'll
some-thing that is bet - ter than your gold your wars and strife,_ 'Tis the

won't you tell us Gener-al, the best thing in this life.
give you my o - pin - ion, the best thing in this life.
love of wife or sweet-heart, that's the best thing in this life!

Chorus.

The best thing in life it is glo - ry,  Fight - ing for home and its
The best thing in life it is gold, boys, Think what your mon - ey can
The best thing in life it is love, boys, Noth - ing can touch it at

flag, The best thing in all this life's sto - ry Is
do, It saves all the poor from star - va - tion, And
all, A moth - ers love nev - er was equal - ed, Though

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never let it drag. You listen and hear crowds a-
gives you pleasure too, You live like a King in his
you may rise or fall, Your sweet-heart your home or your

cheer-ing, March-ing home from the war and the strife, 'Tis
pal-ace, Like a Queen they will kneel to your wife, The
ba-by, Then the dear-est of all lit-tle wife, So

rall. a-tempo.
then that your heart's blood is beat-
ing, That to
worlds at your feet good-bye trou-
bles, That to
take all your gold and your glo-
ry, For 'tis

rall. a-tempo.
me is the best thing in life._ me is the best thing in life._
love is the best thing in life._

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POPULAR FAVORITES BY THE MOST POPULAR COMPOSERS.

Somewhere.

REFRAIN con express-one

Some-where the sun is shin-ing, Some-where a lit-tle rain, Some-where a heart is pain-ing. For love... but all in

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Would You Care?

CHORUS.

Would you care... if I should leave you? Would you care... if we should part? Would you care... if some-one told you... That an-

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Fly Away, Birdie, to Heaven.

CHORUS.

Fly a-way, birdie, to heav-en, Find our dear Mam-ma there,... Tell her that we are so lone-ly, Pa-pa is sigh-ing and

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The Belle of the Ball.

CHORUS. Falsetto.

Belle of the ball,... She was sweet-er than all,... With a face so fair and nut-brown hair, The queen of them all,...

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For Sale — A Baby.

REFRAIN.

For sale, a ba-by, with gold-en hair, For sale, a ba-by, so sweet and fair, For sale, a ba-by, who'll smile and

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Just One Word of Consolation.

Words by FRANK B. WILLIAMS.

Music by Tom Lemonier.

Just one word of con-so-la-tion, Just a sigh of sym-pa-thy, Oft-en helps the sit-u-a-tion, When dis-tress o'er-shadows thee,

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I'm Trying So Hard To Forget You.

CHORUS.

I'm try-ing so hard to for-get you, I try, but it seems all in vain, Your dear face is ev-er be-fore me, And

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Sister.

Words by ALAN M. RATTRAY.

Music by Clarence Vaughn.

Sis-ter..., my lit-tle sis-ter, Whis-ter a fond good-bye,... Soon I'll be re-turn-ing, So, lit-tle girl, you must not

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I Know A Girl Like You.

CHORUS. Not too slow

I know a girl like you,... And she's a nice girl, too. She's the on-ly girl in all this world I'd like to woo,... And that's the

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Dreaming, Love, of You.

REFRAIN. Pianissimo (tenderly).

Dream-ing, dream-ing, While the stars are gleam-ing, Dream-ing of you al-ways, lit-tle girl, my dar-ling. Sigh-ing, cry

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