

Hanging the Clothes to Dry

(A Game)

Chords: Eb, Bb7, Eb, Ab

Stretch the line from pole to pole, taut
Hang the lin - en on the line, so

The first system of the musical score is in 3/4 time and E-flat major. It features a vocal line with lyrics and a piano accompaniment. The piano part consists of chords in the right hand and single notes in the left hand. The lyrics are: "Stretch the line from pole to pole, taut / Hang the lin - en on the line, so".

Chords: Eb, Bb7, Edim, Bb

and tight. _____ Wipe it care - ful - ly my
and so. _____ Ev - en - ly a - long the

The second system of the musical score continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are: "and tight. _____ Wipe it care - ful - ly my / and so. _____ Ev - en - ly a - long the". There is a fermata over the word "tight" in the vocal line. The piano accompaniment includes a "stip." marking in the bass line.

Game

Choose several for house-maids, several for posts, one for the basket and one for the wind. Station the posts before the song begins. During the singing of the first verse, let some of the maids put up the line, others follow, wiping it and others following them, hang up the linen. (All of course in pretense) The basket is represented by a child sitting in a squatting position on his clasped hands. Two maids carry him out by the arms as by basket handles. On the second verse the child who represents the wind, romps about blowing, and is chased here and there by a maid, as though the wind had blown away a bit of linen. The waltz may be repeated if desired, to give more time for action.

Fmin Eb Eb B7

dears, clean and white.
line make it go.

Eb Ab Eb B7 Eb

Set the bas - ket on the grass - es, Shake the
Blows the wind, the naugh - ty Ro - ver, Drags the

Ab Eb B7 Eb B7

lin - en, Now my lass - es, Dry it in the
lin - en thro' the clo - ver, You will help to

Cmin Ab Eb B7 Eb

blaz - ing sun, warm and bright.
dry it so, blow, wind, blow.