

**I'M SADDEST WHEN I SING.**  
*OR*  
*You think I have a merry heart.*  
**BALLAD**  
*Written & Composed*  
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**VOCE.**

**GUITAR.**

*Lento:*

You  
 think I have a merry heart Be... cause my songs are gay But  
 Oh! they all were taught to me By friends now far a... way The

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bird re-tains his sil-ver note Though bond age chains his wing His  
 song is not a happy one I'm sad-dest when I sing.

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I heard them first in that sweet home  
 I never more shall see,  
 And now each song of joy has got  
 A plaintive turn for me;  
 Alas! 'tis vain in winter time  
 To mock the songs of spring;  
 Each note recalls some wither'd leaf,  
 I'm saddest when I sing.

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Of all the friends I us'd to love,  
 My harp remains alone,  
 Its faithful voice still seems to be  
 An echo of my own:  
 My tears when I bend over it  
 Will fall upon its string,  
 Yet those who hear me little think  
 I'm saddest when I sing.

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