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Allegro moderato

Piano introduction in 2/4 time, key of B-flat major. The right hand plays a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes and chords, while the left hand plays a steady bass line. Dynamics range from *f* to *ff*.

VOICE

Vocal line with piano accompaniment. The piano part consists of chords in the right hand and a simple bass line in the left hand. Dynamics include *p*.

Mis-ter Ma-son was a Ma-son and a good one too, I knew he was a
Mis-ter Ma-son said, "Now Ja-son please dont go too fast, Dont eat up all your

Ma-son, he had mor-tor on his shoe, His son Ja-son he was cha-sin' Dol-ly all the while,—
plums at once, but try and make them last, Nev-er has-ten, love her Ja-son, then just run a-way,— For

Nev-er gave the girl a rest, but loved her by the mile,— Day and night with all his might he'd
he who loves and runs a-way will love an-oth-er day,— Kiss her once then say "good-bye" and

woo his tur-tle dove, His fa-ther said, "Go ea-sy boy, when you are mak-ing love?"—
beat it on a run, Come back to mor-row night and fin-ish what you left un-done.—

CHORUS

Be a Ma-son and take it by de - grees. Be a Ma-son and you'll be sure to

p-f

please A lit-tle bit now, a lit-tle bit then, When you want some more, come back a-gain,

Take your time and give her the sign. Join the or-der and get your-self a girl. Join the

or-der, but don't get in a whirl. When she goes on her va - ca-tion, You can take her ap - li -
There'll be oth - er eve-nings lat - er, But when you in - iti -

ca-tion, Be a Ma-son and take it by de - grees. Be a - grees.

ate her,

fz