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GUILD REPERTOIRE

piano music appropriate for the auditions of the National Guild of Piano Teachers

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in collaboration with June Davison and Ardella Schaub

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Preface

I HAVE LONG HELD THE IDEA that an organized curriculum is of importance in assuring the consistent progress of piano pupils. Therefore, when Dr. Podolsky suggested that he, with his associates June Davison and Ardella Schaub, compile, grade, and edit a series of books of repertoire appropriate for the auditions of the National Guild of Piano Teachers, he found me receptive to the idea.

Beginning with the Intermediate classification, the Guild Syllabus outlines the goals and requirements for the Guild auditions in terms of representative compositions. In the Elementary classification, however, it has been impossible to list typical compositions since nothing in the standard literature for piano is of that easy a grade. Therefore, the editors made a selection of beginning material from various sources, and also had some written specially, to present the elements of music learning in gradual, logical order. These elements are introduced as follows:

Elementary A

2/4 3/4 4/4 measure
C, F, G Major; A Minor
simple note values
simple dynamics
staccato; legato
very occasional pedal indications

Elementary B

3/8 measure
triplet
dotted quarter-eighth time pattern
additional dynamic and expression marks

Elementary C

6/8 measure
D, B-flat Major; D, E Minor
grace note
additional dynamic and expression marks

Elementary D

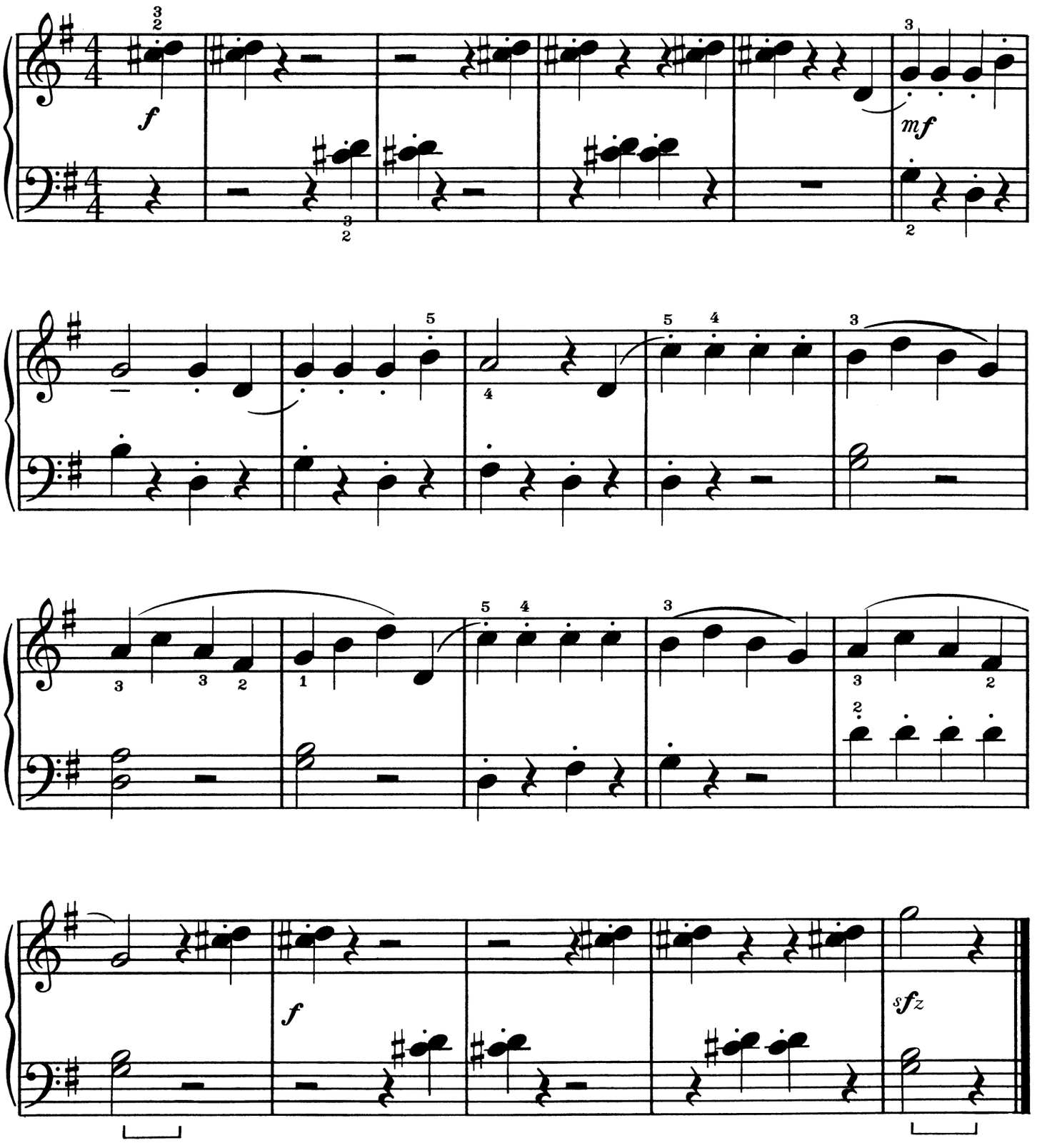
A Major, G Minor
sixteenth-note time patterns
Italian tempo marks and terms

Through studying the Elementary books pupils are prepared to play the literature in the succeeding Intermediate series. Although GUILD REPERTOIRE is specifically designed to meet the requirements of the National Guild of Piano Teachers auditions, it furnishes a well-balanced curriculum for any piano pupil, enrolled in the Guild or not.

IRL ALLISON, *Founder-President*
National Guild of Piano Teachers

Quarrel of Three Chickens

Austrian Folk Song
Arranged by Hansi Alt



A Gay Waltz

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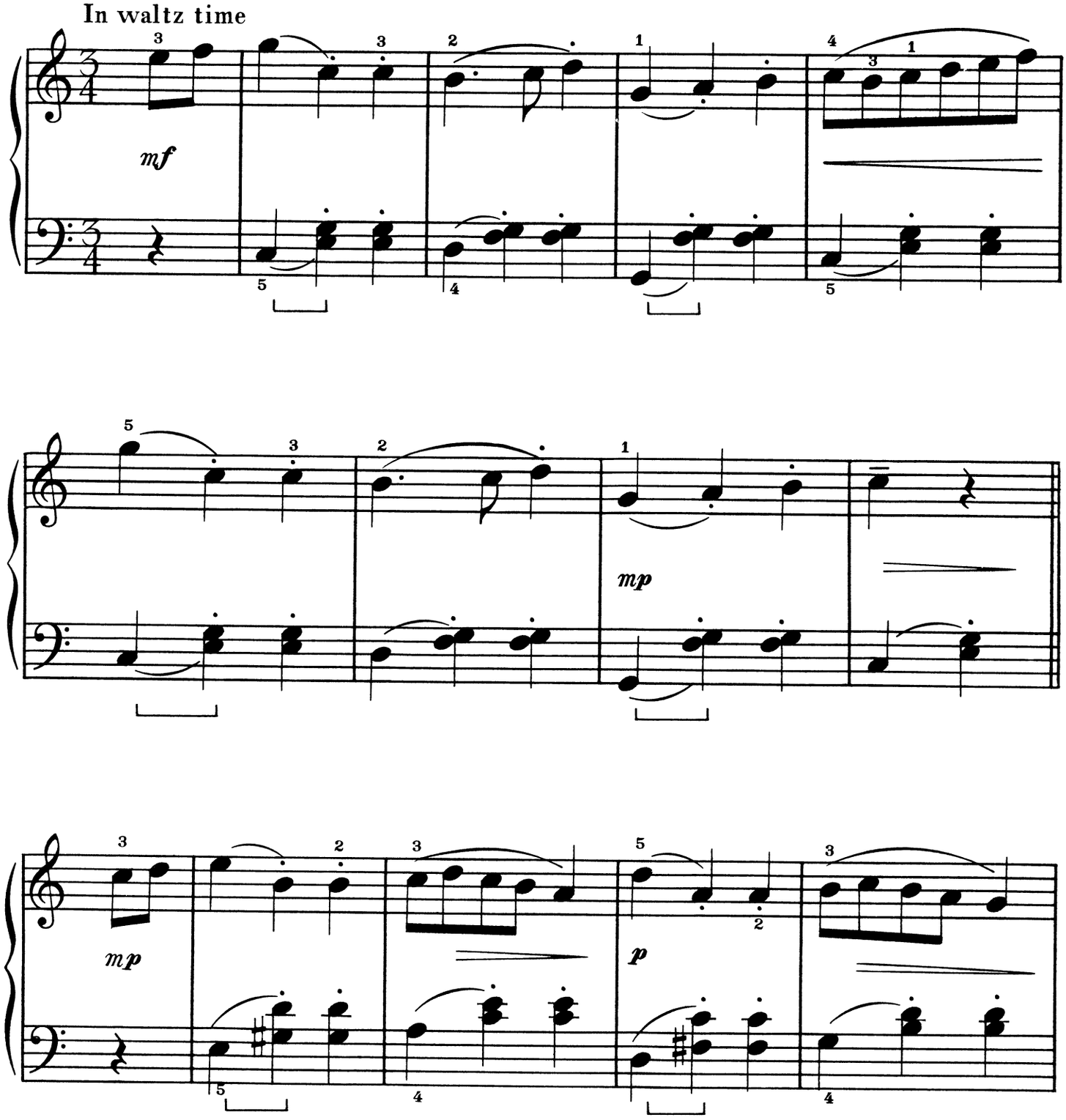

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