

ORCHESTRA EXPRESSIONS" SERIES

Going, Going, Gone



INSTRUMENTATION

- I Conductor
- 8 Ist Violin
- 8 2nd Violin
- 5 3rd Violin (Viola T.C.)
- 5 Viola
- 5 Cello
- 5 String Bass
- I Piano (for rehearsal only)

PROGRAM NOTES

The words of this mid-19th century folk song, "Dissolving Views" or "Going, Going, Gone," are clever, rhyming, round-about, and very much in the vein of Gilbert & Sullivan and other contemporary satire and music hall entertainment. The song celebrates how nothing is like it used to be; things are a "grand dissolving view" with a chorus about how everything is "Going, Gone," There is a reference to pollution (the now-muddy River Thames) and even the American Civil War: "What a pity 'tis their Union is a grand dissolving view."

NOTES TO THE CONDUCTOR

This humorous folk song arrangement should be performed at a brisk tempo, taking care to keep bow strokes short, off the string and close to the frog. Make a big deal of the bow lifts for best effect. The counterpoint makes it fun to toss the theme around from section to section, giving all players a chance to play the melody.

NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

All Belwin string parts have been carefully bowed and fingered appropriately by level. The Yellow Very Beginning series includes many bowings as well as reminder fingerings for first-time readers. The Red Beginning series includes frequent bowings to assist younger players. Fingerings for altered pitches are often marked. The Green Intermediate series includes appropriately placed bowings for middle-level students. Fingerings and positions are marked for notes beyond first position. The Blue Concert series includes bowings appropriate for the experienced high school player. Fingerings and position markings are indicated for difficult passages.

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