

TO ANY BODY

I Cant Help Dat.

WRITTEN
BY
SOMEBODY

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TAINT MY FAULT.

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"I CAN'T HELP DAT, 'TAINT MY FAULT."

The piano introduction consists of two staves. The right hand features a complex melodic line with triplets and sixteenth notes, while the left hand provides a steady accompaniment of chords and single notes.

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The first system of the song includes a vocal line and piano accompaniment. The vocal line begins with the lyrics "De white folks say, dis mi_ty fuss; Am git_tin wuss and big_ger, An sum folks dey am". The piano accompaniment consists of chords in the right hand and a bass line in the left hand.

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The second system of the song includes a vocal line and piano accompaniment. The vocal line continues with the lyrics "mad enuff To say it am de Nig_ger, An if it am I, can't help dat, De". The piano accompaniment continues with chords and a bass line.

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The third system of the song includes a vocal line and piano accompaniment. The vocal line concludes with the lyrics "white folks sot de tri_ggers: An now becuse dare han's am full, Dey's down on all de Nig_gers:". The piano accompaniment continues with chords and a bass line.

CHORUS.

Air.

But I can't help dat! 'Taint my fault; You kin plainly see, De

Alto.

Tenor.

Bass.

Piano.

more dis war dey prosy - cute De wuss it am for me..

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Its nuff to make a Nigger laff,
 Or make fun ob his Mudder,
 De Souf it wants de biggest haff.
 De Norf it wants de todder,
 An' 'tween de two dey bofe will pull
 An' end dar foolish scuffin',
 Till arter while dey'll die dey selves,
 De Nigger won't be Nuffin'. CHORUS. Den, I cant &c.

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Ibe libed fur more dan forty years,
 An' nebber seed a trubble;
 An' sum folks says de Niggers Am
 De issue ob de Debbil,
 Bekase dey's black an' some am free,
 As any in de Nashun,
 An' some ob dem will smell a Mice,
 In de bill ob Confiscashun. CHORUS. But, I cant &c.

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An' sum folks sed Oh! who'd a thought
 When fust dey made de figgers;
 Dat all de Norf an' all de Souf,
 Would fuss about de Niggers;
 Up in de Norf dey sets em' free,
 An' in de Souf dey spend 'em;
 An' ef dey set all Niggers free,
 Whar is dey gwine to send em? CHORUS. For, I cant &c.

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De Demmycrats de best man out,
 Deys settin in de saddle,
 Bofe Norf and Souf am' waitin dar,
 Dey'll make dem bofe "Skiddadle,"
 Dey'll take Secesh and Bobolish.
 I bet my hat dey'll clean 'em,
 Dey'll hang em' up bofe side and side,
 An' de Nigger in atween em? CHORUS. But, I cant &c.

6

I duzzent hab to go to war
 To hear de cannon rattle;
 Dey draf de white folks in de Norf
 An' makes dem go to battle,
 De white folks use to put on ars,
 An' cut tremengus figgers,
 De Niggers wished dat dey wor white,
 De whites wish dey wor Niggers. CHORUS. Kase, I cant &c.

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Dar 'aint no use tu singin' more,
 Dis thing aint no delusion,
 De Democrats will build a "Ram"
 Called "Union, Constitushun,"
 She'll run up Norf an' run down Souf,
 Wharever Peace will send her,
 Oh! May she ever, gaily float,
 An' Hebben's blessin's 'tend her. CHORUS. For, I cant help &c.

