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# 2 I Wish That I'd Been Satisfied With Mary

Words by  
BEN RUSSELL

Tune Ukulele A D F# B  
Put Ukulele Capo or Ukup on 3rd fret

Music by  
RAY HENDERSON

Valse moderato

*f*

The piano introduction is in 3/4 time, featuring a waltz-like melody in the right hand and a rhythmic accompaniment in the left hand. The key signature has one flat (Bb).

VOICE

Just a plain lit-tle girl, that used to be  
I shall al-ways re-call, one thing a-bove

*Vamp*

*p*

The vocal line begins with a rest, then enters with the lyrics. The piano accompaniment is marked 'Vamp' and 'p' (piano). The piano part features a waltz-like accompaniment with chords in the right hand and a bass line in the left hand.

*rit.*

mine, Lin-gers in my mem-o-ry And  
all, Her charm and sweet ten-der-ness The

*rit.*

The vocal line continues with the lyrics. The piano accompaniment is marked 'rit.' (ritardando). The piano part features a waltz-like accompaniment with chords in the right hand and a bass line in the left hand.

I used to think, this an-gel di-vine, Was much too old  
oth-ers I met, soon made me for-get, Tho' she would have

The vocal line concludes with the lyrics. The piano accompaniment continues with the waltz-like accompaniment. The piano part features a waltz-like accompaniment with chords in the right hand and a bass line in the left hand.

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fash - ioned for me \_\_\_\_\_ But I can't for - get her some -  
brought hap - pi - ness \_\_\_\_\_ Since I've learned what she meant to

how \_\_\_\_\_ And oh! how I miss her now \_\_\_\_\_  
me \_\_\_\_\_ I'm sor - ry as I can be \_\_\_\_\_

CHORUS

I wish that I'd been sa - tis - fied with Ma - ry, For she was all a

*p-f*

sweet - heart ought to be \_\_\_\_\_ I'm so a - shamed I was a - shamed of Ma -

ry — For she was one of those, dressed in simple clothes; But what a heart, oh

what a heart, Just brim-ning with love; The pur- est kind, you know the kind, they make "Mothers"

of. I wish that I'd been sa - tis-fied with Ma - ry, As much as she was

sat-is-fied with me — I much as she was sat-is-fied with me —

# I Wish That I'd Been Satisfied With Mary

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RECITATION

By BEN RUSSELL

I've been asked to attend a wedding,  
A wedding that might have been mine;  
And this plain little invitation,  
Tells all in a single line —

Miss Mary is "gonna" be married,  
My Mary, the bride to be;  
It's a drama without any ending,  
A farce — but the laugh is on me.

To think that I once held a fortune,  
Right in the palm of my hand,  
But I let it slip right thru' my fingers,  
Just like a hand full of sand.

My friends didn't like her on parties,  
Not because she wasn't nice;  
She made all the rest act like ladies,  
I'm weak — and I took their advice.

I thought she'd keep waiting forever,  
But she had a mission in life;  
She had to be somebody's Mother,  
Had to be somebody's wife.

They'll have a house full of Marys,  
And maybe a Johnny and Jim,  
And I'll stake my last chance on Heaven,  
They're all "gonna" look just like him.

My friends will all be at the wedding,  
Right in the front row, no doubt;  
Me — I'll just be in a corner,  
Eating my lonely heart out.

Ain't been in a church for a long time,  
I almost forgot how to pray;  
But I know that my conscience will prompt me,  
And here is the prayer that I'll say:

NOTE: Finish with last eight bars of the chorus beginning  
with: "I Wish That I'd Been Satisfied With Mary;" etc.

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