

Home on the Range

Brewster M Higley

The musical score is written in 3/4 time on a single treble clef staff. It consists of four lines of music, each starting with a measure number (1, 9, 17, 25). Chords are indicated by letters above the staff: C, F, C, G7, C, F, Fm, C, G7, C, C, D7, G7, C, F, Fm, C, G7, C. The melody is composed of eighth and quarter notes, with some measures containing rests. The piece concludes with a double bar line at the end of the fourth line.

Oh, give me a land where the bright diamond sand
Flows leisurely down the stream
Where the graceful, white swan goes gliding along
Like a maid in a heavenly dream.

Oh the air is so pure, the zephyrs so free,
The breezes so balmy and light,
I would not exchange my home on the range
For all of the cities so bright.

Home, home on the range
Where the deer and the antelope play
Where seldom is heard a discouraging word,
And the skies are not cloudy all day.

The Kansa was pressed from this part of the west,
They're likely no more to return,
To the bank of the Red River where seldom is ever
Their flickering campfires burn.

And often at night when the heavens are bright
With the lights from the glittering stars
Have I stood there amazed and thought as I gazed,
That their glory exceeds that of ours.