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## **Irish melodies**

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The Shamrock.

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## THE SHAMROCK.

*In moderate time.*

The musical score consists of five staves of music. The top staff shows a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and common time. The piano accompaniment is in the bass and middle octaves. The vocal melody begins with a dotted half note followed by an eighth note. The lyrics are as follows:

Thro' E - rin's Isle, To sport a-while, As Love and Va - lour wan - der'd, With  
 Wit, the sprite, Whose qui-ver bright A thousand ar - rows squan - der'd; Where  
 e'er they pass, A trip-le grass Shoots up, with dew-drops stream - ing, As  
 soft-ly green As emeralds, seen Thro' pu - rest crys - tal gleam - ing,

Oh the Sham - rock! The green im - mor - tal Sham - rock!

cho - sen leaf of Bard and Chief, Old E - rin's na - tive Sham - rock!

## SECOND VERSE.

Says Va - lour, "See! They spring for me, Those leaf - y gems of morn - ing!" Says

Love, "No, no— For ME they grow, My fra - grant path a - - adorn - ing!" But

Wit per-ceives The tri-ple leaves, And cries "Oh! do not se - - ver A  
 type that blends Three god - like friends, Love, Va - lour, Wit for e - - ver!"

Oh the Sham - rock! The green im - mor - tal Sham - rock!

Cho - sen leaf of Bard and Chief, Old E - rin's na - tive Sham - rock!