

WHO ARE THESE CHILDREN?

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1898–1943

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1. A RIDDLE (THE EARTH)

Gay

VOICE

PIANO

short and marked

no rall.

f

pp

f heavy

p

f

There's

pairt o' it young And pairt o' it auld: There's pairt o' it het And

pairt o' it cauld:

6. SLAUGHTER

Broadly (♩) *f* *sustained*

With - in the vi - o - lence of

f *heavy* $\frac{2}{2}$

with Ped.

the storm The wise men are made

dim.

dumb: *f* Young bones are

pp *f*

no Ped. *with Ped.*

mf

The la - dies and the gen - tle -

marked

- men Ride through the vil - - lage street.

dim. *p*

smoothly

Bright - ness of blood up - on the coats

And on the wo - men's lips:

piu p

Bright - ness of sil - ver at the

pp

ces:

ff

p

Ped.

*

p

And our cha - ri - ty is in the

sim.

pp

chil - dren's fa - ces.

dim.

pp

Ped.

lento

ppp

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