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Minstrel Tune



Book: Gumbo Chaff - The Complete Preceptor for the Banjo (1851, p. 5)

Notes: A later edition of the earliest known banjo tutor, published in 1848. It was written by Elias Howe, whose pset is taken from Thomas Dartmouth Rice's 1834 blackface character. The 1851 edition was published in Boston In 1850 Howe sold some of his works to Ditson (this one among them) and agreed not to publish similar works.

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