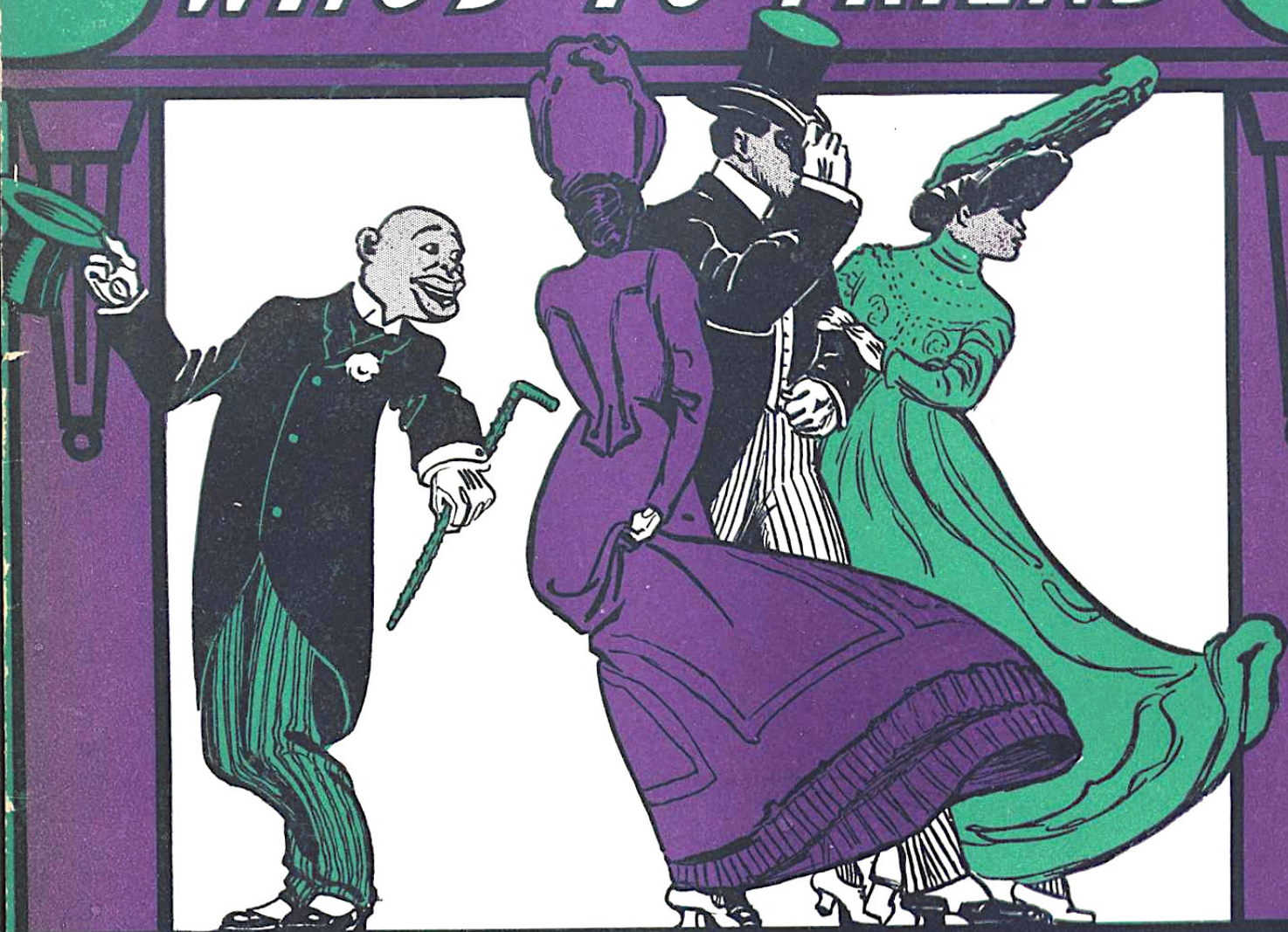


# WHY HELLO BILL WHO'S YO' FRIEND



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walk - ing down the street? — He'd rub - ber-neck and stare a-round at  
proach-ing you this way? — But one of dem gals knows me; cause I

This system contains the first two staves of music. The vocal line is in the upper staff, and the piano accompaniment is in the lower two staves. The key signature has one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are written below the vocal staff.

ev - 'ry gal he'd meet; — He fin' - ly sees a friend a - com - ing  
think I heard her say, — "I won - der who dat gent' - man is, I've

This system contains the second two staves of music. The piano accompaniment features a dynamic marking of *fz* (forzando) in the lower staff. The lyrics continue below the vocal staff.

that he thought he knew; — And while he has no  
seen his face be - fo', — The tall - est one looked

This system contains the third two staves of music. The piano accompaniment continues with a dynamic marking of *fz*. The lyrics continue below the vocal staff.

gal at all, his friend's es-cort-ing two. He says, "My good-ness  
right at me and "done" her eyes just so. They say all good-things

This system contains the final two staves of music on the page. The piano accompaniment features a dynamic marking of *fz*. The lyrics conclude below the vocal staff.

sakes a-live, I must be sound a sleep, — Well, here's a friend just  
come to them who waits and takes their time, — And I've been wait-ing

passed me, with two la-dies in his keep, — If I'm a-sleep, I  
ten long years and yet I aint got mine, — But, Bill, you must ex -

must wake up, dis sin-gle life's too thin, — He.  
cuse me now, for dat old say-in' is dead, — So.

may think I'm in-trud-in' but here's where I butt in!" —  
now I'm tired of wait-in' and dat's just why I said. —

*rit.*

*rit.* *fz*

CHORUS.

Why, hello, Bill, who's yo' friend? In - troduce me, do, — If

*p & ff*

I was fixed the way you are, I'd do as much for you; — Now,

you just say ma name is Joe, a pal of yours, and so and so, 'Cause

Bill, I'm aw-ful anxious for to know, Who's yo' friend?" Why, friend?"

*rit.*

1. 2.

*rit.* *fx*