



October's Party

Flora Ellis Wells

(1845-1929)

Flora Ellis Wells (1845-1929) was born in Lima, New York. She was a graduate of Genesee College (now Syracuse University) in Lima and studied organ with Félix-Alexandre Guilmant at the French Conservatory in Paris. She became a well known organist, recitalist, and composer. She held several teacher, music director, and organist positions in Syracuse and Penn Yan, New York; Champaign, Illinois; and Chicago, Illinois. She was also active in The American Association of University Women. She died in East Orange, New Jersey. Most of her compositions were for organ but also included a few songs for voices.

October gave a party;
The leaves by hundreds came—
The Chestnuts, Oaks, and Maples,
And leaves of every name.
The Sunshine spread a carpet,
And everything was grand;
Miss Weather led the dancing,
Professor Wind the band.

The Chestnuts came in yellow,
The Oaks in crimson dressed;
The lovely Misses Maple
In scarlet looked their best;
All balanced to their partners,
And gaily fluttered by;
The sight was like a rainbow
New fallen from the sky.

Then, in the rustic hollow,
At hide-and-seek they played,
The party closed at sundown,
And everybody stayed.
Professor Wind played louder;
They flew along the ground;
And then the party ended
In jolly “hands around.”

George Cooper (1840-1927)

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Allegro moderato

S
Oc - to - ber gave a par - ty; The leaves by hun - dreds came— The

A
Oc - to - ber gave a par - ty; The leaves by hun - dreds came— The

T
Oc - to - ber gave a par - ty; The leaves by hun - dreds came— The

B
Oc - to - ber gave a par - ty; The leaves by hun - dreds came— The

S
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Ash - es, Oaks, and Ma - ples, And those of ev - 'ry name. The

A
Ash - es, Oaks, and Ma - ples, And those of ev - 'ry name. The

T
Ash - es, Oaks, and Ma - ples, And those of ev - 'ry name. The

B
Ash - es, Oaks, and Ma - ples, And those of ev - 'ry name. The



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S sun - shine spread a car - pet, And ev - 'ry - thing was grand; Miss

A sun - shine spread a car - pet, And ev - 'ry - thing was grand; Miss

T sun - shine spread a car - pet, And ev - 'ry - thing was grand; Miss

B sun - shine spread a car - pet, And ev - 'ry - thing was grand; Miss

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S Weath - er led the danc - ing, Pro - fess - or Wind the band.

A Weath - er led the danc - ing, Pro - fess - or Wind the band.

T Weath - er led the danc - ing, Pro - fess - or Wind the band.

B Weath - er led the danc - ing, Pro - fess - or Wind the band.

S The Chest - nuts came in yel - low, The Oaks in crim - son dressed; The

A The Chest - nuts came in yel - low, The Oaks in crim - son dressed; The

T The Chest - nuts came in yel - low, The Oaks in crim - son dressed; The

B The Chest - nuts came in yel - low, The Oaks in crim - son dressed; The

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S love - ly Miss - es Ma - ple In scar - let looked their best; They

A love - ly Miss - es Ma - ple In scar - let looked their best; They

T love - ly Miss - es Ma - ple In scar - let looked their best; They

B love - ly Miss - es Ma - ple In scar - let looked their best; They

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S bal - anced to their part - ners, And gai - ly flut - tered by; The

A bal - anced to their part - ners, And gai - ly flut - tered by; The

T bal - anced to their part - ners, And gai - ly flut - tered by; The

B bal - anced to their part - ners, And gai - ly flut - tered by; The

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S sight was like a rain - bow New fall - en from the sky.

A sight was like a rain - bow New fall - en from the sky.

T sight was like a rain - bow New fall - en from the sky.

B sight was like a rain - bow New fall - en from the sky.

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S Then, in the rus - tic hol - low, At hide - and - seek they played; The

A Then, in the rus - tic hol - low, At hide - and - seek they played; The

T Then, in the rus - tic hol - low, At hide - and - seek they played; The

B Then, in the rus - tic hol - low, At hide - and - seek they played; The

¹⁹S par - ty closed at sun - down, And ev - 'ry - bod - y stayed. Pro -

A par - ty closed at sun - down, And ev - 'ry - bod - y stayed. Pro -

T par - ty closed at sun - down, And ev - 'ry - bod - y stayed. Pro -

B par - ty closed at sun - down, And ev - 'ry - bod - y stayed. Pro -

²¹S fess - or Wind played loud - er; They flew a - long the ground; And

A fess - or Wind played loud - er; They flew a - long the ground; And

T fess - or Wind played loud - er; They flew a - long the ground; And

B fess - or Wind played loud - er; They flew a - long the ground; And

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S then the par - ty end - ed In jol - ly "hands a - round."

A then the par - ty end - ed In jol - ly "hands a - round."

T then the par - ty end - ed In jol - ly "hands a - round."

B then the par - ty end - ed In jol - ly "hands a - round."

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