

Nay, Speak No Ill #233

enhanced piano accompaniment

Thoughtfully

Text and music: Anon., ca. 1853

Piano

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Nay, speak no ill; a kind - ly word Can nev - er leave a sting be - hind;
Give me the heart that fain would hide, Would fain an - oth - er's faults ef - face.
Thou speak no ill, but le - nient be To oth - ers' fail - ings as your own.

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And, oh, to breathe each tale we've heard Is far be - neath a no - ble mind. Full
How can it please the hu - man to prove hu - man - i - ty but base? No,
If you're the first a fault to see, Be not the first to make it known For

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oft a bet - ter seed is sown By choos ing thus the kind er plan, For,
 let us reach a high - er mood, No no - bler es - ti - mate of its man; Be
 life is but a pass - ing day; No lip may tell how brief its span. Then,

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if but lit tle good is known, Still let us speak the best we can.
 ear - nest in the search for good, And speak of all the best we can.
 oh, the lit - tle time we stay, Let's speak of all the best we can.

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