

# The Gambler of the West

[Intended for *Girl Crazy*]

Music and Lyrics by  
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MARCHE

Handwritten musical score for "The Gambler of the West". The score consists of five staves:

- Top Staff:** Labeled "MARCH TO". Key signature: B-flat major (two flats). Time signature: Common time (indicated by a '4'). The staff contains mostly eighth-note patterns.
- Second Staff:** Labeled "Voice". Key signature: B-flat major (two flats). Time signature: Common time (indicated by a '4'). The staff contains a vocal line with lyrics: "I'm the gambler of the west. I have hair upon my".
- Third Staff:** Key signature: B-flat major (two flats). Time signature: Common time (indicated by a '4'). The staff contains a continuation of the vocal line: "I can lose a million at a poker session, With out a change of ex-".
- Fourth Staff:** Key signature: B-flat major (two flats). Time signature: Common time (indicated by a '4'). The staff contains a continuation of the vocal line: "change of ex-".
- Bottom Staff:** Labeled "Ensemble". Key signature: B-flat major (two flats). Time signature: Common time (indicated by a '4'). The staff contains a concluding line: "pression. He's the Gambler of the West, He has hair upon his".

Accompaniment parts include piano (indicated by a piano icon) and strings (indicated by a violin icon).

chest!

I'm a bad man, I'm a killer, I'm an inside straight flush killer! He's the

the

Gambler,

He's the Gambler, He's the Gambler of the

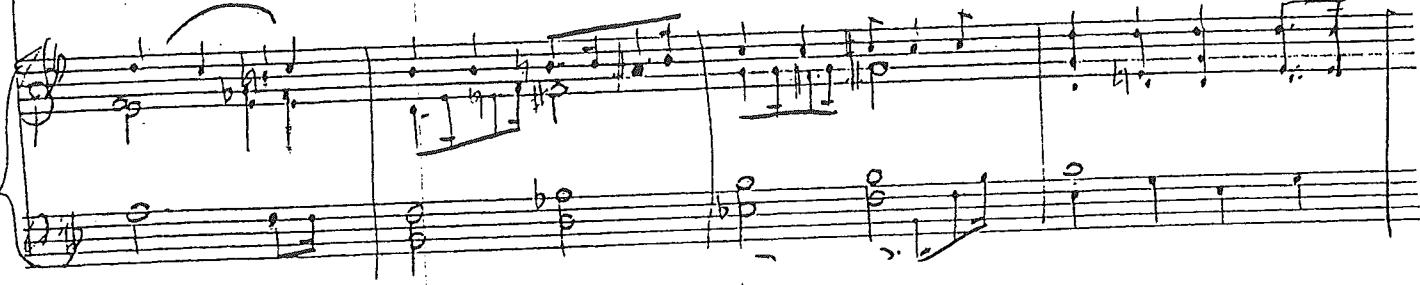
West!

"Hold until  
that comes"

I'm the Gambler at the West.

I am square than the

rest. I have never left a loser in a pickle - For car fare he gets a



ni-ckel.

He's the Gambler of the West! I will bet my coat and



rest.

And boy cracky and by thunder! I will even bet my under! He's the

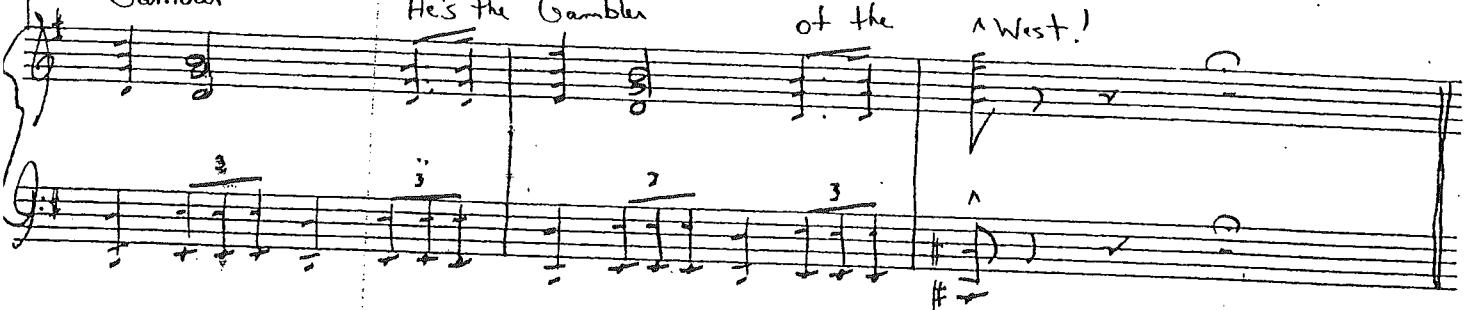


Gambler

He's the Gambler

of the

West!



Act 1, Sc. 3.

THE GAMBLER OF THE WEST

Slick:

I'm the Gambler of the West;  
I have hair upon my chest.  
I can lose a million at a poker session  
Without a change of expression.

Omnes:

He's the Gambler of the West -  
He has hair upon his chest!

Slick:

I'm a bad man - I'm a killer,  
I'm an inside straight ~~killer~~ flush filler!

Omnes:

He's the Gambler, he's the Gambler, he's the  
Gambler of the West!

(business)

2.

Slick:

I'm the Gambler of the West;  
I am squarer than the rest!  
I have never left a loser in a pickle -  
For car-fare he gets a nickel.

Omnes:

He's the Gambler of the West!

Slick:

I will bet my coat and vest, (starts to remove them)  
And by cracky! and by thunder!  
I will even bet my under - ! (all rush to stop him)

Omnes:

He's the Gambler - he's the Gambler  
(flute solo and imitation to)

Of the West!