

Commissioned by Ann Marie Wilcox-Daehn and Elizabeth Avery

East Wing Songs

Blue Slippers: Ida McKinley

Lyrics adapted from quotes
from Ida McKinley and her
biographers

Lyric adaptation & Music
Leanna Kirchoff

Mezzo-Soprano

$\text{♩} = 116$

Piano

pppp

ppp

p

no pedal

4

p feel in 2, lagging the triplets

3 3 3

I am wait - ing and my

8

3

hands must have some-thing to do.

12

Cro - chet - ing slip - pers: —

15

White for the pure, blue for the

19

loy - al, — grey for the wise, —

22

black for the pess - i - mis - tic, — yel - low — for

mp *p* *mf* *pp*

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(this comment is a big deal to Ida)

41

and a half... I walked hang - ing on to the

mf

p

45

mule's tale... Blue...

no pedal half pedal (maintain LH clarity)

mp

pp

49

This pic - ture of the Ma - jor I keep in my knit - ting

3 3 3 3

52

bas - ket. I am nev - er id - le and

3

55 poco rit. (into new tempo)

this is a great in-cen-tive to work. _____

pp *mp*

59 $\text{♩} = 108$

Grey... _____ I al-ways for-get that I can-not walk,

p legato (regular pedaling)

63

un-til some-one re-minds me of it. My hus-band's right

66

arm has so tak-en the place of my foot that I have nev-er been de-priv-ed _____

86

- gels, and now, the Maj - or.

90

mf agitato

I in - sist that there are al - ways fresh blooms on their

no pedal

94

subito f

graves. Nev - er yel - low ones.

97

mf

If an - y - one wish - es to have a pair of

(light pedal if desired)