

CRACOVIENNE QUICKSTEP

AKA CRAVOVIENNE QUICKSTEP, CICADIAN QUICKSTEP

QUARTER NOTE=126

TRADITIONAL, AS PLAYED BY IVA DINGWALL

The musical score is written for two violins. The top staff is labeled 'VIOLIN' and the bottom staff is labeled 'Vln.'. Both staves are in the key of D major (one sharp) and 2/4 time. The tempo is indicated as 'QUARTER NOTE=126'. The score consists of two staves of music, each with a repeat sign at the beginning and end. Above the top staff, the chord progression is: D, G, D7, G, D, G, D7, G. Above the bottom staff, the chord progression is: C, G, D7, G, C, G, D7, G. The music features a syncopated, rhythmic melody characteristic of a quickstep.

THE KRAKOWIAK OR CRACOVIENNE IS A FAST, SYNCOPATED POLISH FOLK DANCE IN DUPLÉ TIME FROM THE REGION OF KRAKOW THE FOLK OUTFIT WORN FOR THE DANCE HAS BECOME THE NATIONAL COSTUME OF POLAND (WIKIPEDIA). THE DANCE IS SAID TO IMITATE THE MOVEMENT OF HORSES (EDUCALINGO DICTIONARY).

THIS TUNE APPEARS IN THE MUSICIAN'S OMNIBUS COMPILED AND PUBLISHED BY ELIAS HOWE IN 1863, BOSTON, MA. AND IN AN EARLIER PUBLICATION BY HOWE CALLED THE MUSICIANS COMPANION, PUBLISHED IN 1850.