

HE GIVETH HIS BELOVED SLEEP.

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Adagio sostenuto. ♩ = 50.

Contralto Solo.

Quasi Recit. molto tranquillo

Of all the thoughts of God that are borne

poco rit.

in - ward in - to souls a - far, A - long the Psalmist's mu - sic
poco rit.

a tempo

deep, Now tell me if that an - y is, — For gift or
a tempo

tranquillo

grace, surpassing this

"He giv-eth His be-lov-ed, sleep?"

pp

Soprano. *poco slentando*

Alto. *pp poco slentando*

CHORUS.

Tenor. *poco slentando*

Bass. *pp poco slentando*

He giv-eth His be - lov - èd, sleep! —

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a tempo

pp

p

Contralto Solo. *Poco più moto. pespressivo*

What would we give to our beloved? The he-ro's

cresc.

Poco più moto. ♩ = 60.

p

mf

heart to be un-moved, The po - et's star-tuned harp to

mf poco agitato

sweep, — The pa - - triot's voice to
poco agitato

p

teach and rouse, — The mon - - arch's crown to

rall.

Tempo I^o *tranquillo*

light the brows? — He giv - eth His be -

rall.

Tempo I^o = 50.

Poco più moto ma sempre tranquillo.

Poco più forte ma sempre tranquillo.

What do we give to our be-loved?
Soprano.

Alto.

Bass.

Poco più moto ma sempre tranquillo. ♫ = 80.

Fatto più moto ma sempre tranquillo. = 60.

This image shows two measures of a musical score. The first measure begins with a dynamic *p*. The second measure starts with a bass note followed by a dynamic *p*. The score includes multiple staves for different instruments, with some parts indicated by brackets. Measure 11 ends with a fermata over the bass line. Measure 12 concludes with a bass note and a dynamic *bz*.

cresc.

A lit - tle faith all un - dis-proved,
our be - loved?
our be - loved?
What do we give to our be - loved?

p

Ped. *

A lit - tle dust to o - ver weep, And bit - ter

p

Ped. *

cresc. ed accel.

mem - o ries to make — The whole earth blasted

p cresc. ed accel.

a tempo

for our sake: He giv - eth His be-

Alto. *p dim.* He giv - eth His be-lov-ed, *pp* sleep.

Bass. *p dim.* He giv - eth His be-lov-ed, *pp* sleep.

a tempo ♩. 60.

sf *sf* *pp*

Quasi l'istesso tempo.

-lov - ed,
sleep.

rall.

$\text{♩} = 56.$

Quasi l'istesso tempo.

Soprano.

Alto.

Who
pp

"Sleep soft, be - lov - ed!" we some - - times say, Who

have no tune to charm a - way Sad dreams that
have no tune to charm a - way Sad dreams that

sempre pp

Solo.

"Sleep soft, be - lov-ed!" we

through the eye - lids creep:

through the eye - lids creep:

some - times say, Who have no tune to charm a - way Sad

pp
"Sleep soft, be - lov - - ed!"

dim.

dreams that through the eyelids creep:

But

But ne - ver dole - - ful
But ne - ver dole - - ful

"Sleep soft, be - lov - - ed!"

ne - ver dole - - ful dream a - gain Shall
poco cresc.
 dream a - gain, but ne - ver dole - - ful
poco cresc.
 dream a - gain, but ne - ver dole - - ful
pp
 No

Ped. * *Ped.* * *Ped.* *

poco cresc.
 break the slum - - ber When He
 dream a - gain Shall break the hap - py
 dream a - gain Shall break the hap - py
 dream shall break the

Ped. * *Ped.* *

giv - - - eth His be - lov - - èd, sleep,
poco slentando a tempo
 slum - - ber
 When He giveth His be - lov - - èd,
poco slentando
 slum - - ber
 When He giveth His be - lov - - èd,
poco slentando a tempo
 slum - - ber
 When He giveth His be - lov - - èd,
poco slentando
 When He giveth His be - lov - - èd,
poco slentando a tempo

mf dim. rall.
 When He giv - eth His — be - - lov - - èd, sleep.
 sleep.
 sleep.
 sleep.
 rall.

Molto maestoso.

marcato

O earth, so full of dreary noises!

Molto maestoso. ♩ = 60.

p

f

sempre marcato

O men, with wailing in your voices! O del-ved gold, the

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wail - ers' heap! O strife, O curse, that o'er it fall, God
wail - ers' heap! O strife, O curse, that o'er it fall, God
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ff. accel. 3 a tempo
strikes a si-lence through you all!

ff. accel. 3 *pp*
strikes a si-lence through you all! *And*

ff. accel. 3 a tempo *pp*
strikes a si-lence through you all! *And*

ff. accel. 3 *pp*
strikes a si-lence through you all! *And*

ff a tempo *pp*

Solo.

Solo.

giv-eth His be - lov - èd, sleep.
giv-eth His be - lov - èd, sleep.
giv-eth His be - lov - èd, sleep. *tranquillo. ♩=60.*

Ped. * *Ped.* *

tranquillo.

dews drop mute-ly on the hill, His
* *Ped.* * *Ped.* *

cloud a - bove it sail - eth still, Though on its
* *Ped.* * *Ped.* * *Ped.* * *Ped.* *

p

slope men sow and reap: More

Ped. *

Ped. *

soft - - ly than the dew is shed, Or

sempre p

poco cresc.

cloud is float - - ed o - - ver-head, He

poco cresc.

dim.

giv - eth, He giv - eth His be - -

p

Ped. *

- lov - - - ed, sleep.

Ped.

mf agitato

Ay, men may won - der while they scan A

fp

cresc.

liv-ing, think-ing, feel - ing man Con - firmed in such a rest to

fp

cresc.

f

p

keep; tranquillo

But an - gels say,

sf

p

and thro' the word I think their hap - py smile is

p

heard _____ "He giv - eth His be - lov - èd,—
Soprano.

CHORUS.

Alto.

Tenor.

Bass.

"He

p

lunga

sleep!

giv - eth His be - lov - èd,— sleep!"

giv - eth His be - lov - èd,— sleep!"

lunga

sf *p*

Più lento.



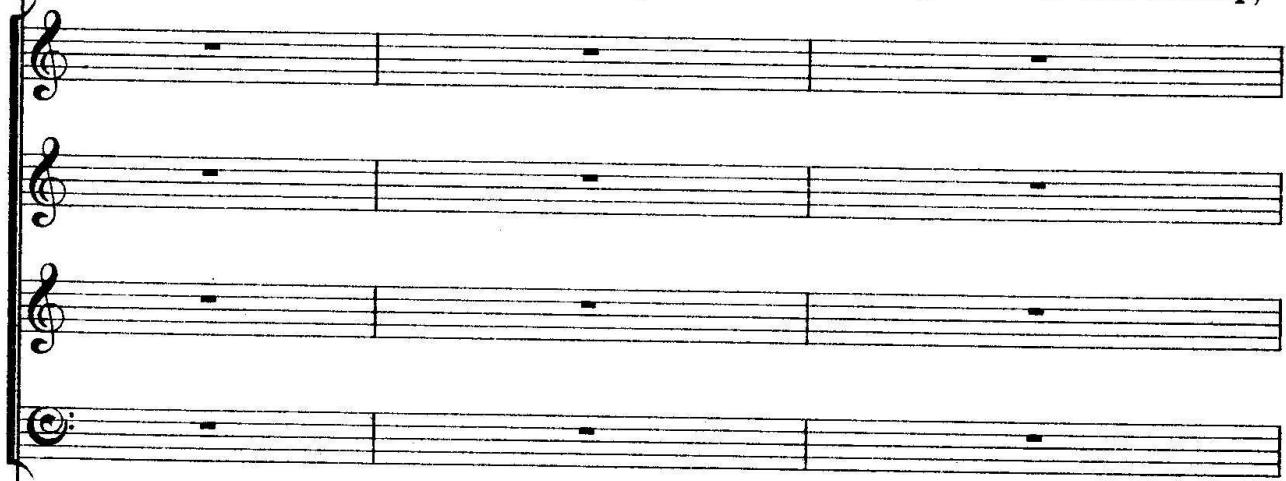
Più lento.

rit.



poco accel.

a tired child at a show, That sees through tears the mummers leap,



poco accel.



molto tranquillo.

p

Would now its wear - ied
pp
 He
pp
 He
pp
 He
pp
 He

poco rall.

molto tranquillo. $\bullet=50$.

poco cresc.

vi - sion close, — Would child-like on His love re - pose, Who
p

giv - - eth, He giv - - eth
pp
 giv - - eth, He giv - - eth
pp
 giv - - eth, He giv - - eth
pp
 giv - - eth, He giv - - eth

$\frac{3}{8}$

mf

giv - eth His be - lov - - - ed, sleep. And

His be - lov - - - ed, sleep.

His be - lov - - - ed, sleep. And

His be - lov - - - ed, sleep. And

His be - lov - - - ed, sleep. And

espressivo e senza affrettare

dim.

friends, dear friends, when it shall be That this low breath is

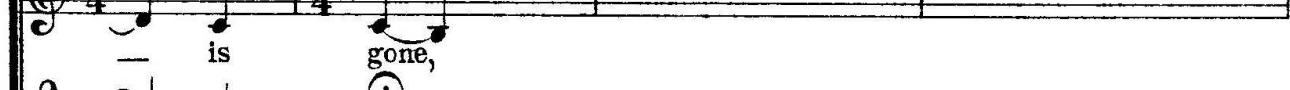
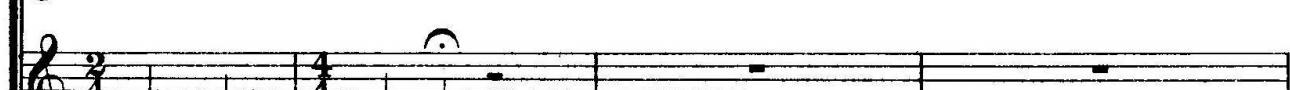
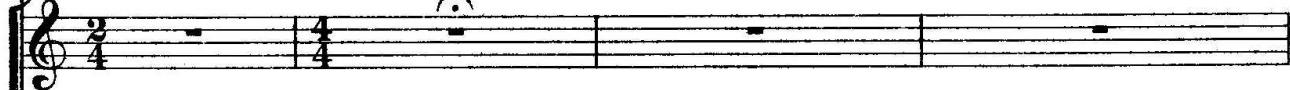
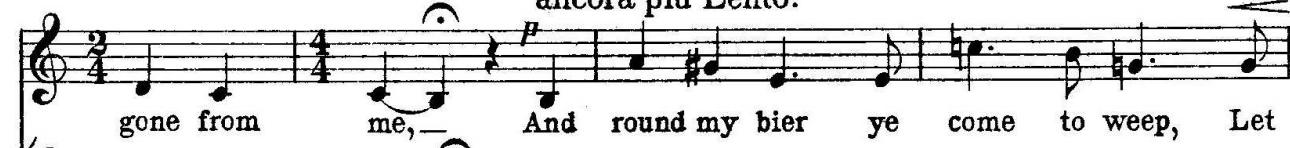
when it shall be *dim.*

friends, dear friends, when it shall be That this low breath *dim.*

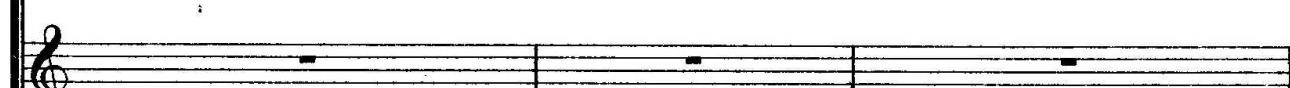
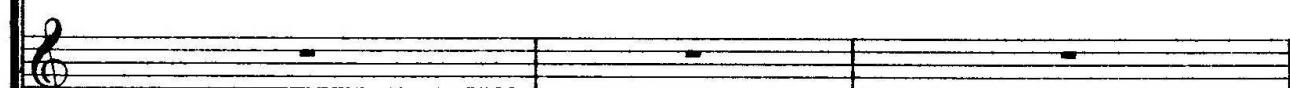
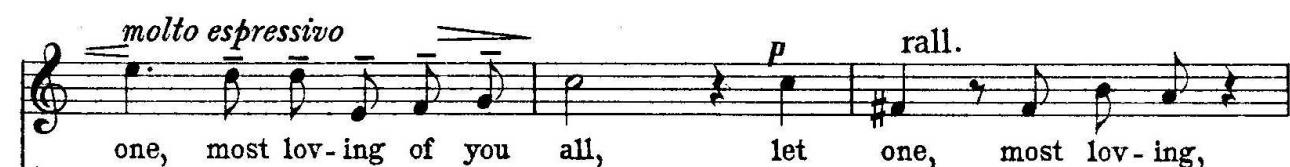
friends, dear friends, when it shall be That this low breath *dim.*

p senza affrettare

ancora più Lento.



ancora più Lento.



or *p*

"Not a tear must o'er her fall!"

Say— "Not a tear must o'er her fall!"

p

pp

1

rall.

a tempo

He giv-eth His be - lov - ed, — sleep!"

"Not a tear must o'er her fall! —

A musical score for two voices. The top voice (treble clef) has a dynamic marking of *rall.* followed by a short rest. The bottom voice (bass clef) has a dynamic marking of *pp* (pianissimo). The top voice then enters with a melodic line consisting of eighth and sixteenth notes, with a grace note preceding the first main note. The bottom voice provides harmonic support with sustained notes. The performance instruction *a tempo* is placed above the top voice's entry. The music is divided into measures by vertical bar lines.

rall.

pp He giv - eth, He giv - eth His be - lov - - ed,

pp He giv - eth, He giv - eth His be - lov - - ed,

pp He giv - eth, He giv - eth His be - lov - - ed,

pp He giv - eth, He giv - eth His be - lov - - ed,

pp He giv - eth, He giv - eth His be - lov - - ed,

rall.

pp

sleep!

sleep!

sleep!

sleep!

8

ppp