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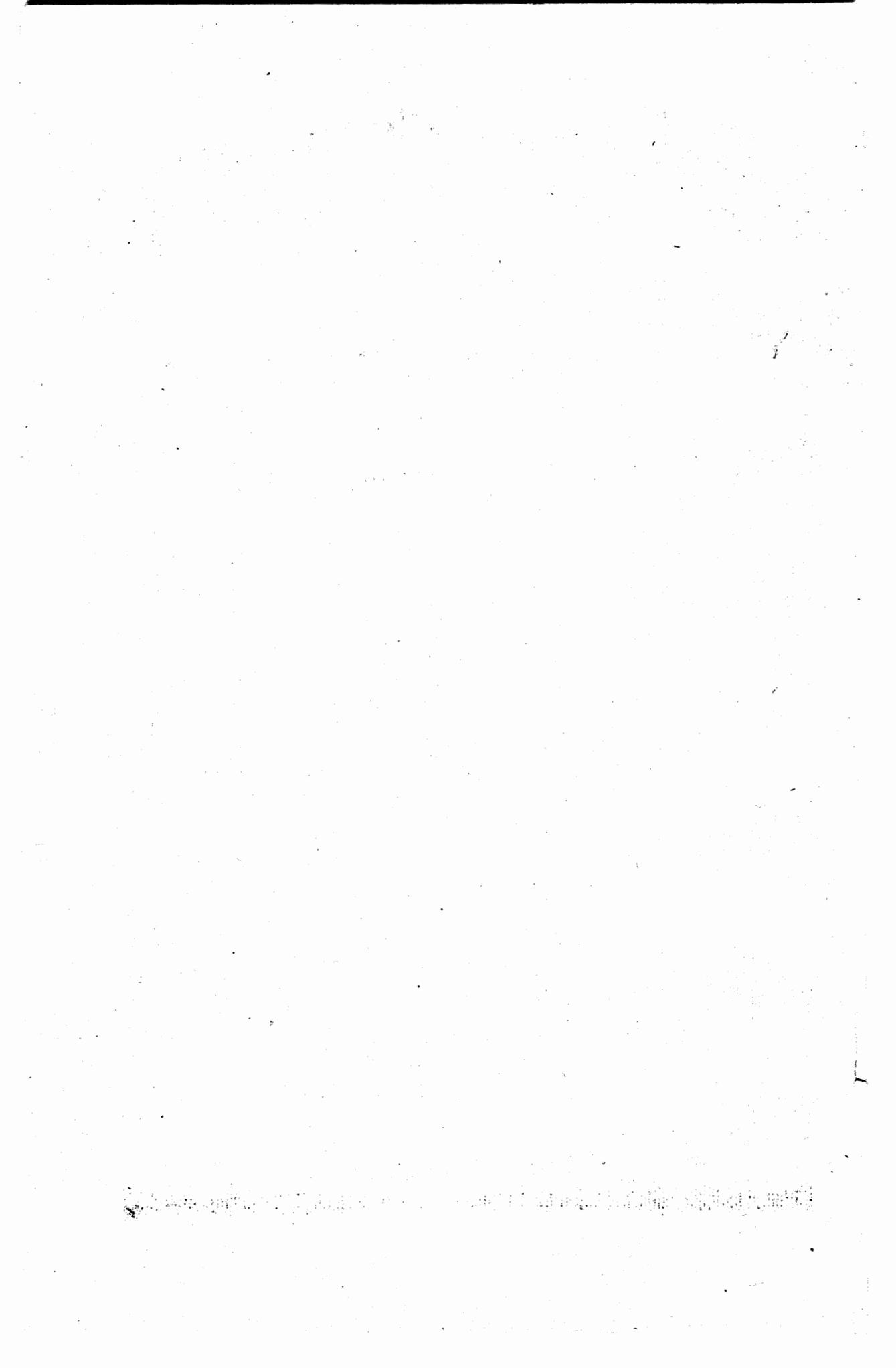
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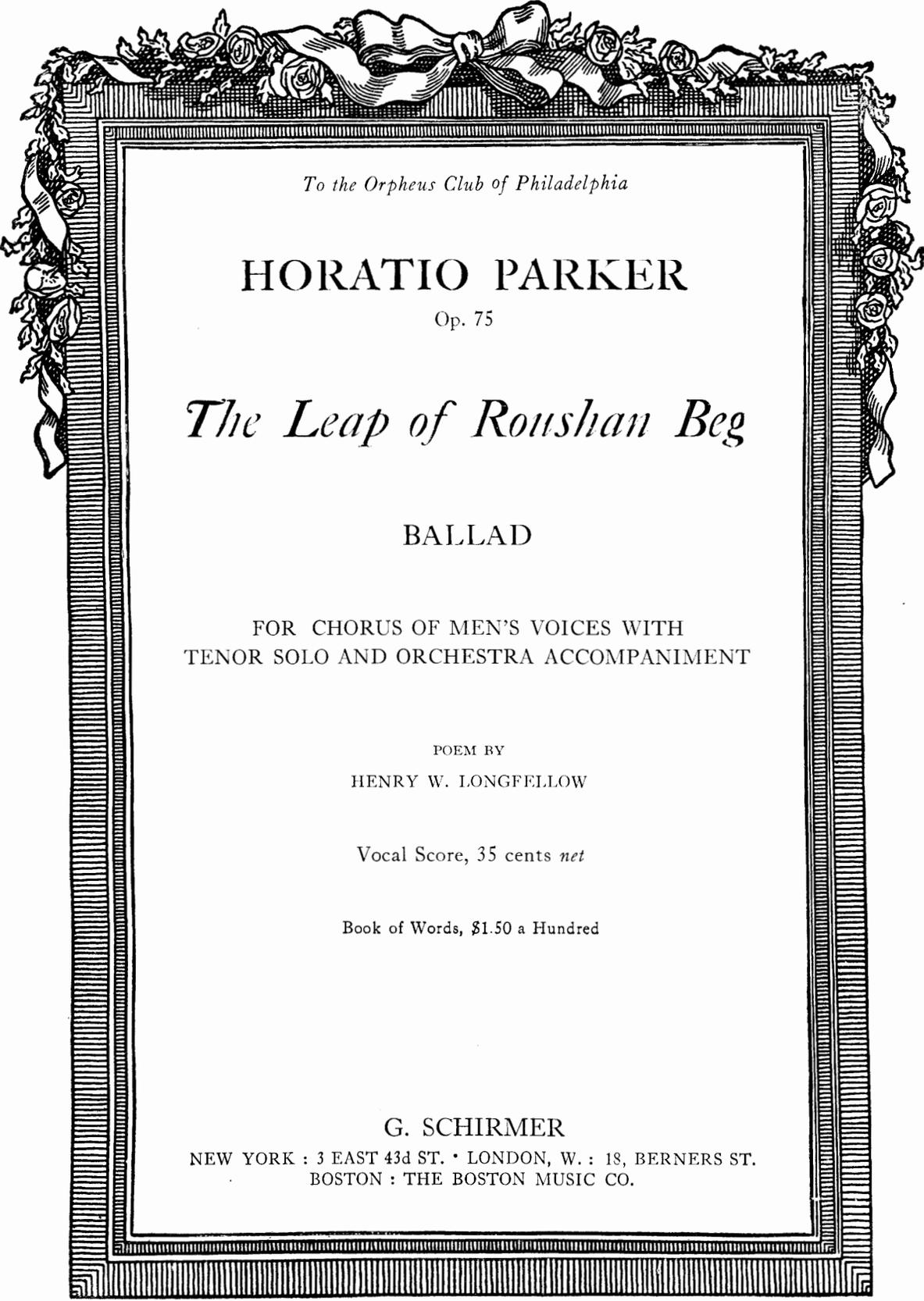
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# THE LEAP OF ROUSHAN BEG

(HENRY WADSWORTH LONGFELLOW)

Mounted on Kyrat strong and fleet,  
His chestnut steed with four white feet,  
Roushan Beg, called Kurroglou,  
Son of the road and bandit chief,  
Seeking refuge and relief,  
Up the mountain pathway flew.

Such was Kyrat's wondrous speed,  
Never yet could any steed  
Reach the dust-cloud in his course.  
More than maiden, more than wife,  
More than go'd and next to life  
Roushan the Robber loved his horse.

In the land that lies beyond  
Erzeroum and Trebizond,  
Garden-girt his fortress stood;  
Plundered kahn, or caravan  
Journeying north from Koordistan,  
Gave him wealth and wine and food.

Seven hundred and fourscore  
Men at arms his livery wore,  
Did his bidding night and day;  
Now, through regions all unknown,  
He was wandering, lost, alone,  
Seeking without guide his way.

Suddenly the pathway ends,  
Sheer the precipice descends,  
Loud the torrent roars unseen;  
Thirty feet from side to side  
Yawns the chasm; on air must ride  
He who crosses this ravine.

Following close in his pursuit,  
At the precipice's foot  
Reyhan the Arab of Orfah  
Halted with his hundred men,  
Shouting upward from the glen,  
"La Illáh illa Alláh!"

Gently Roushan Beg caressed  
Kyrat's forehead, neck, and breast;  
Kissed him upon both his eyes,  
Sang to him in his wild way,  
As upon the topmost spray  
Sings a bird before it flies.

"O my Kyrat, O my steed,  
Round and slender as a reed,  
Carry me this peril through!  
Satin housings shall be thine,  
Shoes of gold, O Kyrat mine,  
O thou soul of Kurroglou!"

"Soft thy skin as silken skein,  
Soft as woman's hair thy mane,  
Tender are thine eyes and true;  
All thy hoofs like ivory shine,  
Polished bright; O life of mine,  
Leap, and rescue Kurroglou!"

Kyrat then, the strong and fleet,  
Drew together his four white feet,  
Paused a moment on the verge,  
Measured with his eye the space,  
And into the air's embrace  
Leaped as leaps the ocean surge.

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Roushan's tassel'd cap of red  
Trembled not upon his head,  
Careless sat he and upright;  
Neither hand nor bridle shook,  
Nor his head he turned to look,  
As he galloped out of sight.

Flash of harness in the air,  
Seen a moment like the glare  
Of a sword drawn from its sheath;  
Thus the phantom horseman passed,  
And the shadow that he cast  
Leaped the cataract underneath.

Reyhan the Arab held his breath  
While this vision of life and death  
Passed above him. "Allahu!"  
Cried he, "In all Koordistan  
Lives there not so brave a man  
As this Robber Kurroglou!"



# The Leap of Roushan Beg

Ballad for Men's Chorus  
with Tenor Solo and Orchestral Accompaniment

Henry W. Longfellow

Horatio Parker. Op. 75

*Allegro moderato*

Piano

The piano accompaniment for the first system consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef and the lower in bass clef. It begins with a piano (*p*) dynamic and features a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes with chords. The second measure includes a forte (*f*) dynamic marking. The system concludes with a piano (*p*) dynamic and a fermata over the final chord.

The vocal parts for the first system include four staves: TENOR I, TENOR II, BASS I, and BASS II. Each staff begins with a circled '1' and a piano (*p*) dynamic. The lyrics are: "Mount - ed on Ky - rat strong and fleet, His chest - nut steed with". Below the vocal staves is the piano accompaniment for the second system, starting with a piano (*p*) dynamic and a circled '1'.

Orchestra parts can be had of the publishers

four white feet, Rou-shan Beg, called Kur-ro-glou,  
 four white feet, Rou-shan Beg, called Kur - - ro-glou,  
 four white feet, Rou-shan Beg, called Kur-ro-glou,  
 four white feet, Rou-shan Beg, called Kur - - ro-glou,

Son of the road and ban-dit chief, Seek-ing re-fuge  
 Son of the road and ban-dit chief, Seek-ing re-fuge  
 Son of the road and ban-dit chief, Seek-ing re-fuge  
 Son of the road and ban-dit chief, Seek-ing re-fuge

and re-lief, Up the moun-tain path-way  
 and re-lief, Up the moun-tain path-way  
 and re-lief, Up the moun-tain path-way  
 and re-lief, Up the moun-tain path-way

flew. *f* flew. *f* flew. *f* flew. *f*

Such was Ky - rat's *p* Such was Ky - rat's *p* Such was Ky - rat's *p* Such was Ky - rat's *p*

*f* *p*

won - drous speed, Nev - er yet could an - y steed Reach the *cresc.*

won - drous speed, Nev - er yet could an - y steed Reach the *cresc.*

won - drous speed, Nev - er yet could an - y steed Reach the *cresc.*

won - drous speed, Nev - er yet could an - y steed Reach the *cresc.*

*f* *cresc.*

dust - cloud in his course. *f*

*f* *f*

*p.*  
 More than maid-en, more than wife, More than  
*p.*  
 More than maid-en, more than wife, More than  
*pp.*  
 More than maid-en, more than wife, More than  
*p.*  
 More than maid-en, more than wife, More than

gold and next to life. *pp*  
 Rou-shan the Rob-ber loved his  
 Rou-shan the Rob-ber loved his  
 Rou-shan the Rob-ber loved his  
 Rou-shan the Rob-ber loved his

③  
 horse, loved his horse.  
 horse, loved his horse.  
 horse, loved his horse.  
 horse, loved his horse.  
 ③ *pp*

*p*  
 In the land that lies be - yond Er - ze -  
 In the land that lies be - yond Er - ze -  
*p*  
 In the land that lies be - yond Er - ze -  
*p*  
 In the land that lies be - yond Er - ze -

roum and Tre - bi - zond, Gar - den -  
 roum and Tre - bi - zond, Gar - den -  
 roum and Tre - bi - zond, Gar - den -  
 roum and Tre - bi - zond, Gar - den -

girt his fort - - - - - ress  
 girt his fort - - - - - ress  
 girt, gar - - - - - den - girt his fort - ress  
 girt his fort - - - - - ress

stood; Plun - dered kahn, or  
 stood; Plun - dered kahn, or  
 stood; Plun - dered kahn, or  
 stood; Plun - dered

*p* *f* *f* *f*

**4** Risoluto

*cresc. molto* *f*

ca - ra - van Journ-'ying north from  
 ca - ra - van Journ-'ying north from  
 ca - ra - van Journ-'ying north from  
 ca - ra - van Journ-'ying north from

Koor-dis-tan, Gave him wealth and wine and food.  
 Koor-dis-tan, Gave him wealth and wine and food.  
 Koor-dis-tan, Gave him wealth and wine and food.  
 Koor-dis-tan, Gave him wealth and wine and food.

Sev - en hundred and  
 Sev - en hundred and  
 Sev - en hundred and  
 Sev - en hundred and

four - score Men at arms his liv - er - y wore, Did his  
 four - score Men at arms his liv - er - y wore, Did his  
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bid - ding night and day;  
 bid - ding night and day;  
 bid - ding night and day;  
 bid - ding night and day;

ff

⑥ Più allegro *p legato*

ALL BASSES. Now, through

*sf* *p*

re - gions all un - known, - He was wan - d'ring,

lost, a - lone, Seek - ing with - out

guide his way.

*pp*

⑦ *f* Sud-den - ly the path-way ends, Sheer the pre-ci - pice de -

*f* Sud-den - ly the path-way ends, Sheer the pre-ci - pice de -

*f* Sud-den - ly the path-way ends,

⑦ *f* Sud-den - ly the path-way ends,

scends, Loud the tor-rent roars un - seen;

scends, Loud the tor-rent roars un - seen;

Loud the tor-rent roars un - seen;

Loud the tor-rent roars un - seen;

*ff* *sfz* *p*

*cresc.* Thir - ty feet from side to side Yawns the chasm;

*cresc.* Thir - ty feet from side to side Yawns the chasm;

*cresc.* Thir - ty feet from side to side Yawns the chasm;

*cresc.* Thir - ty feet from side to side Yawns the chasm;

*cresc.*

*ff*  
on air must ride He who cross-es this ra -

*ff*  
on air must ride He who cross-es this ra -

*ff*  
on air must ride He who cross-es this ra -

*ff*  
on air must ride He who cross-es this ra -

⑧

vine.

vine.

vine.

vine.

⑧

vine.

*marcato*

*ff*

3

First system of musical notation, including vocal staves and piano accompaniment. The piano part features a complex rhythmic pattern with triplets and sixteenth notes.

*ff* Fol-low-ing close in his pur - suit, At the pre-ci-pi-ce's foot  
*ff* Fol-low-ing close in his pur - suit, At the pre-ci-pi-ce's foot  
*ff* Fol-low-ing close in his pur - suit, At the pre-ci-pi-ce's foot  
*ff* Fol-low-ing close in his pur - suit, At the pre-ci-pi-ce's foot

Second system of musical notation, including vocal staves with lyrics and piano accompaniment. The piano part continues with a similar rhythmic pattern.

⑨ *Più lento*  
*ff* Rey - han the A - rab of Or - fah  
*ff* Rey - han the A - rab of Or - fah  
*ff* Rey - han the A - rab of Or - fah  
*ff* Rey - han the A - rab of Or - fah

⑨ *Più lento*

Third system of musical notation, including vocal staves with lyrics and piano accompaniment. The piano part features a more complex rhythmic pattern with triplets and sixteenth notes.

Halt - - ed with his hun - dred men, Shout - ing up - ward from the  
 Halt - - ed with his hun - dred men, Shout - ing up - ward from the  
 Halt - - ed with his hun - dred men, Shout - ing up - ward from the  
 Halt - - ed with his hun - dred men, Shout - ing up - ward from the

glen, *ff* *Lento* "La Il - láh il - la Al-láh, La Il - láh il -  
 glen, *ff* "La Il - láh il - la Al-láh, La Il - láh il -  
 glen, *ff* "La Il - láh il -  
 glen, *ff* "La Il - láh il -

*Lento*  
*fff*

la Al-láh, La Il - láh il - la Al-láh, *ad lib.*  
 la Al-láh, La Il - láh il - la Al-láh,  
 la Al-láh, il - la Al-láh, *ff*  
 la Al-láh, il - la Al-láh, *ff*

10 *ff*

*a tempo moderato*

*f* il - la - Al-láh, *p* La Il - láh il - la - Al -

*a tempo moderato* il - la - Al-láh, *p* La Il - láh il - la - Al -

*f* La Il - láh, il - la - Al-láh, il - la - Al-láh, *p* La Il - láh

*f* La Il - láh, il - la - Al-láh, il - la - Al-láh, *p* La Il - láh

*a tempo moderato*

*f* *dim.*

*p* láh, *p* La Il - láh il - la Al - láh!"

*p* láh, *p* La Il - láh il - la Al - láh!"

*p* il - la - Al - láh, *p* La Il - láh il - la Al - láh!"

*p* il - la - Al - láh, *p* La Il - láh il - la Al - láh!"

**11** *p* Gen - tly Rou-shan Beg ca - ressed Ky - rat's fore - head, neck, and

*p* Gen - tly Rou-shan Beg ca - ressed Ky - rat's fore - head, neck, and

**11** *p*

breast; Sang to him in his  
breast; Sang to him in his

*p espress.*  
Kissed him up-on both his eyes,  
*p espress.*  
Kissed him up-on both his eyes,

wild way, As up-on the top-most spray Sings a bird  
wild way, As up-on the top-most spray Sings a bird

As up-on the top-most spray Sings a bird  
As up-on the top-most spray Sings a bird

be-fore it flies.  
be-fore it flies.  
be-fore it flies.  
be-fore it flies.

*dim.*

12 Poco lento e molto espress.

Tenor Solo

"O my Ky-rat, O my steed, Round and slen-der

as a reed, Car - ry me — this per-il through!

13

Sat - - in hous - ings shall be

thine, Shoes of gold, O

*tenuto*

Ky - rat mine, O thou soul of Kur - ro -

*sfz*

14

glou!

*poco sfz*

*p*

*Più mosso*

Soft thy skin as silk - en

*p*

skein, Soft as wo-man's

hair thy mane,

15

Ten - - der are thine eyes and

*pp*

true; All thy hoofs— like i-vory shine,

*pizz f*

Pol-ished bright; — O life of mine, Leap,

*cresc.*

— and res-cue Kur-ro-glou, leap,

*f* *ff*

res-cue Kur-ro-glou!

*ad lib.* *f a tempo* *fp* *fp*

17 Moderato  
Tenor Solo

Leap— and res-cue Kur-ro-glou!

TENOR I *mf*  
Ky-rat then, the strong and fleet, Drew to-geth-er his

TENOR II *mf*  
Ky-rat then, the strong and fleet, Drew to-geth-er his

BASS I *mf*  
Ky-rat then, the strong and fleet, Drew to-geth-er his

BASS II *mf*  
Ky-rat then, the strong and fleet, Drew to-geth-er his

17 Moderato

*mf*

Ky - rat! O my Ky - rat!

*pp* four white feet, Paused a mo-ment on the verge, *p* Meas-ured with his

*pp* four white feet, Paused a mo-ment on the verge, *p* Meas-ured with his

*fp* four white feet, Paused a mo-ment on the verge, *p* Meas-ured with his

four white feet, Meas-ured with his

*pp* *pp* *p*

*cresc. molto* *allargando*  
 O my Ky-rat! O my Ky-rat, leap!  
*cresc. molto* *allargando* *f*  
 eye the space, And in-to the air's em-brace He leaped as\_ leaps the  
*cresc. molto* *allargando* *f*  
 eye the space, And in-to the air's em-brace He leaped as\_ leaps the  
*cresc. molto* *allargando* *f*  
 eye the space, And in-to the air's em-brace Leaped as\_ leaps the  
*cresc. molto* *allargando* *f*  
 eye the space, — And in - to the air's em - brace He leaped as\_ leaps the

⑱ *Lento*  
 Leap!  
*ff*  
 o - - cean surge.  
*ff*  
 o - - cean surge.  
*ff*  
 o - - cean surge.  
*ff*  
 o - - cean surge.

⑱ *Lento*  
*ff* *poco allargando* *sfz* *pp* *glissando*  
 \*  
 \*  
 \*

8

*lunga*

\*

**Allegro**  
TENOR I

TENOR II

BASS I

BASS II

*p*

Rou - shan's tas - sold

**Allegro**

*p a tempo*

*p*

cap of red Trem - bled not up - on his head,

cap of red Trem - bled not up - on his head,

cap of red Trem - bled not up - on his head,

cap of red Trem - bled not up - on his head,

Care - - - - - less sat he and up -

Care - - - - - less sat he and up -

Care - - - - - less sat he and up -

Care - - - - - less sat he and up -

(19)

right; Nei - ther hand nor

(19)

bri - dle shook, Nor his head he turned to

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The first system consists of four vocal staves (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and a piano accompaniment. The lyrics are: "bri - dle shook, Nor his head he turned to". The piano part features a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes in the right hand and chords in the left hand.

look, As he

look, As he

look, As he

look, As he

The second system continues with four vocal staves and piano accompaniment. The lyrics are: "look, As he". The piano accompaniment continues with the same rhythmic pattern as the first system.

gal - loped out of sight.

gal - loped out of sight.

gal - loped out of sight.

gal - loped, as he

The third system concludes with four vocal staves and piano accompaniment. The lyrics are: "gal - loped out of sight." followed by "gal - loped, as he". The piano accompaniment features a more complex rhythmic pattern with sixteenth notes in the right hand.

Poco più mosso

*p.* Flash of har-ness in the  
Flash of har-ness in the  
Flash of har-ness in the  
gal-loped out of sight. Flash of har-ness in the

Poco più mosso

*p*

air, Seen a mo - ment like the  
air, Seen a mo - ment like the  
air, Seen a mo - ment like the  
air, Seen a mo - ment like the

*glissando*

air, Seen a mo - ment like the

glare Of a sword drawn from its sheath;  
glare Of a sword drawn from its sheath;  
glare Of a sword drawn from its sheath;  
glare Of a sword drawn from its sheath;

*3*

Thus the phan - tom horse - man passed, And the shad - ow that he  
 Thus the phan - tom horse - man passed, And the shad - ow that he  
 Thus the phan - tom horse - man passed, And the shad - ow that he  
 Thus the phan - tom horse - man passed, And the shad - ow that he

*p*  
*p*  
*p*  
*p*  
*sf*

cast Leaped the ca - ta - ract un - der - neath.  
 cast Leaped the ca - ta - ract un - der - neath.  
 cast Leaped the ca - ta - ract un - der - neath.  
 cast Leaped the ca - ta - ract un - der - neath.

*cresc.*  
*cresc.*  
*cresc.*  
*cresc.*  
*cresc.*  
*f*

21 Presto comodo

*mf* Rey - han the A - rab held his breath

*mf* Rey - han the A - rab held his breath

*mf* Rey - han the A - rab held his breath

*mf* Rey - han the A - rab held his breath

21 Presto comodo

*sfz* *mf*

*cresc. e accel.*

While this vis - ion of

*cresc. e accel.*

While this vis - ion of

*cresc. e accel.*

While this vis - ion of

*cresc. e accel.*

While this vis - ion of

*cresc. e accel.*

life and death Passed a - bove him.

*ff* *ad lib.*  
"Al-la - hu!" Cried he, "In all Koor-dis - tan"

*ff*  
"Al-la - hu!" Cried he, "In all Koor-dis - tan"

*ff* *ad lib.*  
"Al-la - hu!" Cried he, "In all Koor-dis - tan"

*ff*  
"Al-la - hu!" Cried he, "In all Koor-dis - tan"

Lives there not so brave a man As this Rob-ber Kur-ro-glou! So

Lives there not so brave a man As this Rob-ber Kur-ro-glou! So

Lives there not so brave a man As this Rob-ber Kur-ro-glou! So

Lives there not so brave a man As this Rob-ber Kur-ro-glou! So

*ff*

*ff*

*ff*

*ff*

*f*

*tutta forza*  
brave a man?"

*tutta forza*  
brave a man?"

*tutta forza*  
brave, so brave a man?"

*tutta forza*  
brave, so brave a man?"

*poco rit.*

*poco rit.*

*poco rit.*

*poco rit.*

**22 Presto**

*tutta forza*

*poco rit.*

*fff*

**22 Presto**

*poco rit.*