

## WILL HE COME?

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Music by  
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Voice.

Piano.

*mf*

*cresc.*

*f*

*p*

"I can scarcely hear" she murmur'd, "For my heart beats long and fast, But

sure - ly, in the far, far dis-tance, I can hear a sound at last? It is

*tranquillo.*

only the reapers sing - ing, As they car - ry home their sheaves; And the

evening breeze has ris - en, And rus-tles the dy - ing leaves, the  
dim.

dy - ing leaves.  
pp cresc.

“Lis-ten! there are voi - ces talking” Calm-ly still she strove to speak,  
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Yet her voice grew faint and trembling, And the red flush'd in her cheek. It is  
a tempo.

*tranquillo.*

on - ly the child - ren play - ing Be - low, now their work is . . done, And they

laugh that their eyes are daz - zled By the rays of the set - ting sun, of the

set - ting sun. Faint - er grew her

voice, and weak - er As with an - xious eyes she cried:

cresc.

"Down the a - ve-nue of ches - nuts I can hear a horse-man  
cre - scen - do."

ride." It was on - ly the deer that were feed - ing In a

herd on the clo - ver grass. They were start-led and fled to the

thick-et, As they saw the rea-pers pass.

*quasi recit.*

Now the night a-rose in si-lence, Birds lay in their lea-fy nest,

*p*\*  
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And the deer couch'd in the forest, And the child-ren were at rest....There was

*pp**p tranquillo un poco più lento.*

on-ly a sound of weep-ing From watchers a-round a bed, But

*p*

rest to the wea-ry spi-rit, Peace to the qui-et Dead!

*p*

Peace to the qui-et Dead!.....

*pp**pp**pp*

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