

TO
Miss Maria Brainard.

The
Maiden's Message.
SONG.
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Allegretto con molto tenerezza.

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dim.

pp e rall.

1. O bird - ling free, in dis - tant lands hast
 2. He pressed his lips to mine one day and
 3. The days are dark-er now than night, for

thou my lov - er seen? The time seems long since he has gone and
 held me to his heart, And whis - per'd in a bro - ken voice, "we
 then I miss him most; And ev - - 'ry path I wan - der in, a -

cresc. e string.

I a-lone have been. He put a ring up - on my hand, and
for a-while must part." If I had thought he'd stay so long, I'd
new proclaims him lost: Each nook where-in we sat at noon, Each

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sospirando.

vow'd he would re-turn; Yet, time glides on - he com - eth not, and
not have let him go; I can - not live un - less he soon re -
stream we wan - der'd by Wrings from my heart, so sick with woe, a

Più mosso.

I a - lone still mourn! O bird - ling should'st thou see my love in
turn, I love him so! O bird - ling should'st thou see my love in
new and bit - ter cry: But when thou shalt have brought him back, O

mf *legatiss.*

dis-tant lands and fair Re - mind him that there waits for him a
 dis - tant lands and fair Re - mind him that there waits for him a
 bird-ling once a - gain, In that one mo - ment's dear de - light I

Animato.

maid with gold-en hair; Whose lips still taste his part - ing kiss, whose
 maid with gold - en hair; Whose lips still taste his part - ing kiss, whose
 shall for- get all pain: Then, look - ing in his lov - ing eyes and

ears still hear his voice, Whose heart, un-til he come a - gain, at
 ears still hear his voice, Whose heart, un-til he come a - gain, at
 list'ning to his voice, The world will all be light a - gain and

*Con affetto.**slentando*

noth- ing can re - joice, Whose heart, un-til he come a - gain, at
 noth - ing can re - joice, Whose heart, un-til he come a - gain, at
 I a - gain re- joice, The world will all be light a - gain and

molto rall.

noth- ing can re - joice!
 noth - ing can re - joice!
 I a - gain re - joice!

p

calando.