

To Night

for 8-part SATB, a cappella

Kemble Stout

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Soprano *p* *3* *3*
My - ste - ri - ous night My - ste - ri - ous night

Alto *p* *3* *3*
My - ste - ri - ous night My - ste - ri - ous night

Tenor *p* *3* *3*
My - ste - ri - ous night My - ste - ri - ous night

Bass *p* *3* *3*
My - ste - ri - ous night My - ste - ri - ous night

4 *mf* *3* *3* *3*
When our first pa - rent knew thee from re - port di - vine And

mf *3*
When our first pa - rent knew thee from re - port di - vine And

mf *3* *3* *3*
When our first pa - rent knew thee from re - port di - vine And

mf *3* *3*
When our first pa - rent knew thee from re - port di - vine And

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heard thy name, Did he not trem-ble for this love-ly frame, this glo-ri-ous ca-no-py of light and blue? Yet

heard thy name, Did he not trem-ble for this love-ly frame, this glo-ri-ous ca-no-py of light and blue?

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heard thy name, Did he not trem-ble for this love-ly frame, this glo-ri-ous ca-no-py of light and blue?

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'neath a cur-tain of trans-lu-cent dew, Bathed in the rays of the

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great set-ting flame Hes-pe-rus with the hosts of heaven came, And Lo! Cre-

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a - tion, Cre - a - tion_ widened in man's view. Who could have

a - tion, Cre - a - tion_ widened in man's view. Who could have thought that such dark - ness

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thought that such dark - ness_ lay con - cealed, con - cealed with-in thy beams, O Sun Who could

lay con - cealed, con-cealed with-in thy beams, O Sun Or who could find,

dark - ness lay con - cealed, Who could

lay con - cealed, con-cealed with-in thy beams, O Sun Or who could find,

dark - ness lay con - cealed, con-cealed with-in thy beams, O Sun Who could

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find, whilst fly_ and_ leaf and in - sect stood re_ vealed, that to such count-less orbs thou made us blind.

find, whilst fly and leaf and in-sect stood re - vealed, that to such count-less orbs thou made us blind.

find, whilst fly and leaf and in-sect stood re - vealed, that to such count-less orbs thou made us blind.

find, whilst fly and leaf and in-sect stood re - vealed, that to such count-less orbs thou made us blind.

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p Why do we then shun death _____ *mf* with an - xious

pp Why do we then shun death _____ *cresc.* with an - xious strife? _____

pp Why do we then shun death _____ *cresc.* with an - xious strife? _____

Why do we then shun death _____ *cresc.* with an - xious strife? _____

Why do we then shun death _____ *cresc.* with an - xious strife? _____

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f strife? If light can thus de - ceive, _____ *ff* where - fore not life?

f If light can thus de - ceive, _____ *ff* where - fore not life?

f If light _____ can thus de - ceive, _____ *ff* where - fore not life?

f If light can thus de - ceive, _____ *ff* where - fore not life?