

My choice is made and I desire no change

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1. My choice is made and I de - sire no change,
2. Change they their choice, to whose de - li - cious sense,
3. Be my choice blamed, or be I thought un - wise,

The first system of the musical score is in 3/4 time, featuring a treble and bass staff with a piano accompaniment. The melody is in G major, indicated by a single sharp (F#) on the treble staff. The lyrics are aligned with the notes, showing three different versions of the text for the same melody.

5 My wan - dering thoughts in li - mits now are bound,
The strang - est ob - jects are to most es - teem,
To hold my choice, by o - thers not ap - proved,

The second system continues the melody and piano accompaniment. It begins with a measure rest marked '5'. The piano part features a more active bass line with eighth and sixteenth notes.

9 The de - serts wild where - in my wits did range, Are now made
In - con - stant lik - ing may find ex - cel - lence, In things which
I say, that to my - self I fall or rise, By fear, or

The third system continues the piece, starting with a measure rest marked '9'. The piano accompaniment remains consistent in style, supporting the vocal melody.

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ea - sy walks and plea - sant ground. Let him that list
 (be - ing not good) yet do seem. Let gal - lant blouds
 force I can - not be re - moved. Let friends in pi -

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soothe hu - mors that be vain, 'Til va - ni -
 still crown their sports with joy, Whom ho - nor,
 ty doubt of my suc - cess, Their pi - ty

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ty all mean ex - ceeds, Let pas - sions still pos - sess
 weath, and trea - sure fills, Let sweet con - tent - ment
 gets no thanks at all, Let foes be glad to see

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the i - dle brain, And care con - sume whom_ fol - ly
ne - ver an - noy, While for - tune frames things_ to their
my hopes grow less, I scorne the worst that_ with they

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feeds. I rest re-solved no fan-cy's fits can me es - trange,
wills. This stirs not me, I am the same, I was be - fore,
shall. Still stand I firm, my heart is set, and shall re - main,

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My choice___ is made and I de - sire___ no more to change.
My choice___ is made, and I de - sire___ to change no more.
My choice___ is made, and ne - ver will___ I change a - gain.