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PIANO. *Andante moderato.*

Oh!

love, as I lie on the peb - bly beach, With a

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ston - ey - brok - en heart, And the

oof - birds fly to a dis - tant sky, I

think how *dear* thou art; So I've

pledged my word - and, a - las, my watch, To

sail o'er the "moon - shot" sea, For I've

spent all my cash, in cut - ting a dash For

1st, 2nd, & 3rd times. D.S.

thee, dear love, for thee.

Last time.

dear thou hast been to me.

ff Fine.

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KEY E $\flat$.

1 Oh! love, as I lie on the pebbly beach With a stone - ey - brok - en heart, . . . And the oof - birds fly to a dis - tant sky, I think how dear thou art; So I've pledged my word— and, a - las, my watch, To sail o'er the "moon - shot" sea, . . . For I've spent all my cash, in cut - ting a dash For thee, dear love, for thee. . . . dear thou hast been to me. . . .

2.

For since thou hast grown so dear to me,
I've completely drained my purse,
Your absence, dear, was hard to bear,
But I found your *presents* worse.
That ten-guinea watch I obtained on tick,
And your fans and fineree,
If you only knew, while I courted you,
They *County-Courted* me.

3.

When you asked me to buy you a bicycle,
How my "punctured" heart did quake!
I went without meals to provide new wheels
All for your *safety's* sake.
Oh! I know what it is to be "broke on the wheel,"
As my bicycle bills could show,
I spent my last "d"—when I swore I'd be
Your *hub*, for *wheel* or *whoa*.

4.

And this is the end of my *golden dream*,
And I wake a broken wreck,
For your Pa said I should marry you if I could,
But my love would receive no *cheque*.
So I've filed my petition in the bankruptcy court,
And I'm off to Amerikee,
Oh! no one knows, but my cheque-book shows
How *dear* thou hast been to me.

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