

Passing and Glassing

for singing violinist (or voice and violin)

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on a poem by Christina Rossetti

All things that pass
Are woman's looking-glass;
They show her how her bloom must fade,
And she herself be laid
With withered roses in the shade;
With withered roses and the fallen peach,
Unlovely, out of reach
Of summer joy that was.

All things that pass
Are woman's tiring-glass;
The faded lavender is sweet,
Sweet the dead violet,
Culled and laid by and cared for yet;
The dried-up violets and dried lavender
Still sweet, may comfort her,
Nor need she cry, Alas!

All things that pass
Are wisdom's looking-glass;
Being full of hope and fear, and still
Brimful of good or ill,
According to our work and will;
For there is nothing new beneath the sun,
Our doings have been done,
And that which shall be was.

Andante mosso $\text{d} \approx 80$

1-17

mf

All things that pass

mp

18

mp espressivo (spoken)

are wo-man's look-ing glass; they show her how her bloom must fade

28

pp (sung) f

fade and she her-self be laid with with-ered ros-es

mf

42

pp eco mp p

with with-ered ros-es in the shade

pp eco

58 *molto espressivo*

(8) with with-ered ros-es and the fall-en peach, un - love-ly

72 *pp sussurrato*

(8) out of reach of sum-mer joy that was.

pizz. *f* ord.

84 *mf* *mp espressivo*

(8) All things that pass are wo-man's

99 *p*

(8) tir-ing glass; the fad-ed lav-en - der is sweet,

111 *molto libero*

(8) sweet the dead violet, culled and laid by and cared for yet;

114 *mp*

(8) the dried-up vi-ol-ets and dried lav-en-der

mp

125 *dolcissimo* *mf appassionato* *mp*

(8) still sweet, still sweet, may com-fort her nor need she

mf

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(8) cry, a - las!

151 *mf* *mp espressivo*
 All things that pass are wis-dom's look-ing glass;

164 *mf*
 be-ing full of hope *f*

171 (screaming)
 and fear,

184 *mp* *p*
 and still, and still, brim - ful of good or ill
pizz. ord.

193 *f*
 ac-cord-ing to our work and will; for there is noth-ing new be-neath the sun;

200 *espressivo* *liberamente*
 our do - ings have been done;
pizz. and that which shall be was.