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CHORUS AND ORCHESTRA

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TO

HER MOST GRACIOUS MAJESTY

QUEEN VICTORIA

THIS CANTATA,
CARACTACUS,

IS, BY SPECIAL PERMISSION,

DEDICATED

BY HER MAJESTY'S LOYAL AND DEVOTED SERVANT,

EDWARD ELGAR.

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ARGUMENT.

THE Britons throughout the South, East, and centre of England having been subdued by the Romans, Caractacus is driven with his remaining forces towards the Welsh frontier, and establishes a great camp on the Malvern Hills, on the summit now known as the British Camp, or Herefordshire Beacon.

Wandering in the forest below the hills, Eigen, the daughter of Caractacus, and her betrothed lover, Orbin, are met by a Druid Maiden, who enjoins them to warn the King not to advance into the open country against the Romans. This warning they convey to Caractacus.

On the ensuing night the omens are taken at a solemn assembly of the Druids. They are read by Orbin, who belongs to the half-priestly order of minstrels, and are declared to be unfavourable. The Arch-Druid deceives the King as to their character, and Caractacus resolves to advance against the Romans. Orbin endeavours to protest, but is cursed and driven forth by the Druids.

On the following morning Orbin meets Eigen in a glade of the forest, where youths and maidens are with her gathering flowers for a sacrifice, and bids her farewell, telling her of the deceit practised on the King by the Druids, and of his own expulsion. He adds that he himself is flying from the Druids and intends to join the British forces.

In the next scene Eigen and her maidens witness the return of Caractacus with the remnants of his army to the camp on the Malvern Hills after their total rout by the Romans. Caractacus and his family, including Orbin, are soon after betrayed into the hands of the enemy.

The last scene represents Caractacus with Orbin and Eigen before the tribunal of Claudius, the Emperor of Rome. Claudius is at first disposed to condemn them to death, but is so struck by the intrepidity of Caractacus that he pardons them and assigns them an honourable residence in Rome.

The general lines of history—or, failing history, of tradition—have been followed. The British Camp on the Malvern Hills is locally attributed to Caractacus. It is doubtless a British work, and is of such an extent as infers occupation by very large numbers. The scene of Caractacus's last disastrous battle is much disputed; but it was almost certainly on the line of the Severn (Habren), and may probably have been at *Caer Caradoc*, in Shropshire. The unusual circumstance of mistletoe growing on the oak may be still observed in the woods below the Herefordshire Beacon. Caractacus's appearance before Claudius in Rome, his bold defence, and the pardon of himself and his daughter are historical. Orbin is an imaginary character.

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CARACTACUS.

SCENE I.

British Camp on the Malvern Hills.—Night.

[CARACTACUS and the British host entering the camp.]

CHORUS.

Watchmen, alert! the Roman hosts
Have girdled in our British coasts;
On every river's swelling tide
The sharp-beak'd Roman galleys ride;
Our homesteads burn, and, all between,
Wide wasted lie our woodlands green,
Beneath the stern unfalt'ring tramp,
As legions roll from camp to camp.

Comrades, firm and fearless, breast the hill and
sing

To the foe defiance, glory to the King;
On like men undaunted, not a look behind,
Roll the voice of freedom rushing on the wind;
Night has clos'd above us, sleep, and wake
again,

Ready for the legions gath'ring on the plain;
Loose not helm or buckler, rest like men of
war,

Soldier in his harness, captain by his car;
So the King shall find you, when he gives
command,

In the final muster ready for the land.

Watchmen, behold the warnings dire
Writ eastward far in signs of fire;
On these green mountain tops the last
Of Britain's hosts is fortress'd fast,
Before us Habren's thousand rills,
Behind the dark Silurian hills.

CARACTACUS.

Watchmen, alert! the King is here,
Your weary brethren slumber near;
Well rest ye on your batter'd shields,
O heroes of a hundred fields;
Your comrades wake your lines to guard;
Rest, warriors, rest beneath their ward.

[He proceeds to the foot of the mound by the Spring of Taranis.]

The air is sweet, the sky is calm,
All nature round is breathing balm,
The echo of our warfare falls
Faint,—distant,—on these grassy walls,
O spirits of the hill, surround
With waving wings this holy ground,
And from your airy censers show'r
Strength to me in this lonely hour.

[He ascends the mound by the Spring of Taranis.]

I have fought, and I have striven,
Fought with foes and striv'n with friends,
Fought for white-rob'd priests and gleemen,
Fought that Britons might be freemen;
I have driven, I have driven
O'er the ridges steep of war
Like a king my thund'ring car,
But it ends:

Thro' the cloven ranks of battle
Rome has heard my wheelblades rattle,
And has known

Golden torc and helm together
Shimm'ring thro' the stormy weather,
And my arm the spear uplifting
Through the sleet of javelins drifting
Like a king—alone.

But it ends, the heroic story,
Freedom ends, and pow'r, and glory:—

SENTRIES (*afar*).

Watchmen, alert!

CARACTACUS.

Nay, not yet; the steadfast Roman
On his ranks shall feel the foeman
Once again; one last endeavour,
Britain, my land, is sav'd for ever.

[Enter EIGEN.]

EIGEN.

Father!

CARACTACUS.

'Tis Eigen.

EIGEN.

Sire and King,
Why wand'ring by the pale starlight?

CARACTACUS.

Nay, daughter, what can Eigen bring
Untended through the camp by night ?

EIGEN.

Nay, not untended, Orbin waits,
Close at my side, a guard from bale,
With me to read thee Britain's fates.

CARACTACUS.

Hail ! Orbin.

[Enter ORBIN.

ORBIN.

Lord and Captain, hail !

CARACTACUS.

Fates ! they have left me ; gods are far ;
But women view the light of heav'n ;
Say, can'st thou read in yonder star
One ray of light to Britain given ?

SENTRIES (*in the distance*).

Watchmen, alert !

ORBIN.

Far off the distant sentry's hail
Keeps vigil o'er the army sleeping :
Here all is peace ; attend the tale
Which Eigen's gentle breast is keeping.

EIGEN.

At eve to the greenwood we wander'd away,
To hear the birds singing, as happy as they.
When we came to the oak where the mistletoe
grows,

Before us a fair Druid maiden arose,
[With ivy and oakleaf her brow was entwined,
Her dark hair unhooded was stirr'd with the
wind ;

On her bosom a glittering jewel she wore,]
In her hand a weird emblem, a sickle, she bore,
She rais'd it, and thrice reap'd a twig from the
oak,

And the songs of the forest were hush'd as she
spoke :

" When the voices of earth
At the midnight are still,
Go forth through the camp
On the crest of the hill ;
On the mound tow'rd the sunrise,
By Taranis' spring,
Speak thus to thy father,
O child of the King :
From ocean to river,
From river to rill,
The wings of the eagle
Shall follow thee still ;

But deep in the forest
Their vigour may fail,
And high on the mountain
The dragon prevail.' "

ORBIN.

On the ocean and the river,
By the stream that cuts the plain,
Sails and pennons fill and quiver,
And the war horse champs the grain ;
Through the close entangled forest
Is the legion's toil the sorest,
On the mountain steep and dreary
Mailed war horse will grow weary.

CARACTACUS.

I have met them in the forest,
And they bore my fiercest shock,
We were broken like the torrent
That is hurl'd against the rock :
Shall I meet them—meet the legions
In the wild Silurian regions,

[Where the blinding sea mist surges
Round the mountain's hidden verges,
And the cataract in thunder
Splits the groaning rocks asunder ?]

EIGEN.

In the oak grove to-morrow
The Druids shall meet,
To read thee the omens
Of joy, not defeat.

EIGEN AND ORBIN.

By the song of the maiden
The omens shall be,
My father, the glory
Of Britain and thee.

CARACTACUS.

By the song of the maiden
The omens shall be,
O Britain, my Britain,
The triumph of thee.

[*They descend the hill.*

SPIRITS OF THE HILL.

Rest, weary monarch ; tow'rd the day
The night is waning fast away ;
Bent on thee with benignant eye,
Morn's silver star ascends the sky ;
Sleep, and, awake, again inspire
Thy warriors with thy soul of fire,
Casting afar with morning light
The brooding cares that burden night.

The air is hush'd, the armèd hill,
Save for the sentry's voice, is still.

SENTRIES (*afar*).

Watchmen, alert !

SCENE II.

The sacred Oak Grove by the Tomb of the Kings.

[ARCH-DRUID, ORBIN, *Druids, Druidesses,*
and Bards round the sacred Oak.

ARCH-DRUID AND DRUIDS.

Tread the mystic circle round,
Measure off the holy ground,
Through the fire and through the smoke,
Girdle slow the sacred oak,
Tree of eld, whose branches show,
Brightest in the winter snow,
The pearl-fruited mistletoe ;
Bear your torches through the gloom,
Quench them on the hero's tomb,
Where the stones are wet and red
With the blood of victims dead.

DRUID MAIDENS.

Thread the measure left and right,
Druid maidens, clad in white,
Loose your locks, your bosoms bare,
Breathe the godhead brooding there,
Hov'ring round your floating hair,
Breathe the power—hearken well
For the coming of the spell.

[*Dance ceases.*

INVOCATION.

ARCH-DRUID AND CHORUS.

Lord of dread, and lord of pow'r,
This is thine, the fateful hour,
When beneath the sacred oak
Thrice the mighty charm is spoke,
Thrice the sacrificial knife
Reddens with a victim's life,
Thrice the mystic dance is led
Round the altar where they bled,
Taranis, descend to aid,
Let the future fate be said.

ARCH-DRUID.

Bard, what read ye in the field
Of the war-god's silver shield ?

ORBIN.

Round the field the shadows gather,
Dull, and dim, and dark, my father.

ARCH-DRUID.

Vanish, shadows ! let him see
Clearly what the omens be.

ORBIN.

I see an eagle flying
With beak and talons red,
I see a warrior lying
On the green earth dead.

ARCH-DRUID.

Grim the vision, grim and stern,
Minstrel, which thine eyes discern ;
Gaze again, and mark it well,
What thou seest, speak and tell.

ORBIN.

Dim and dark the shadows gather
Round the shield again, my father.

ARCH-DRUID.

No more, the fated hour is past.

[*The Druid Maidens resume the choric
measure round the Oak.*

ARCH-DRUID AND DRUIDS (*aside*).

The omens speak in gloom at last ;
And must our hero toil in vain
Unbless'd upon the battle plain ?
Or with the Druids' blessing go,
Like fire from heav'n, upon the foe ?
Desert your priests, ye gods ; to-night
Still shall his soul be arm'd for fight :

ARCH-DRUID.

Children, break off the mystic ring :
Attend, obey, behold the King.

[*Enter CARACTACUS and Soldiers.*

CARACTACUS.

Hail to thee, father : Druids, hail,
Interpreters of bliss and bale :
Tell me, before I meet the foe,
What fate the holy omens show.

[*The ARCH-DRUID ascends his throne.*

ARCH-DRUID.

For the banded tribes of Britain
I stretch my arms abroad,
Mine is the ancient wisdom,
And mine the voice of god ;
Go forth, O King, to conquer,
And all the land shall know,
When falls thy charmed sword edge,
In thunder on the foe.

But Rome and all her legions
 Shall shudder at the stroke,
 The weapon of the war god,
 The shadow of the oak;
 The blade that blasts and withers,
 The dark and dreadful spell,
 Which reaping in the whirlwind,
 Shall harvest them in hell.

CARACTACUS AND SOLDIERS.

Leap to the light, my brand of fight,
 Flash to the heav'n's thine edges bright;
 Where those sharp lips of steel shall go,
 Red from the kiss a fount shall flow,
 And many a gallant head lie low:
 Leap to the light!

Be thou my bard, with note of fire
 To sound thro' heav'n my royal lyre:
 Sing till the fiery echoes roll
 To every free-born warrior's soul,
 Piercing as lev'n that cleaves the bole:
 Sing to the light!

Cry naked to a country free,
 Guerdon and gold be none for thee;
 Land of my sires, land of mine,
 Hark to the song and make it thine,—
 Wake, wake and see my signal shine:
 Wake to the light!

ORBIN.

Shall we greet them?
 Shall we meet them?

And with mighty spell defeat them?
 Meet them with our war cry ringing,
 Meet them songs of triumph singing!
 In thy hand thou bear'st the omen,
 Trust to that against the foemen;
 Spell and charm will fail thee ever,
 But thy sword deceive thee never.

ARCH-DRUID.

No more!

ORBIN.

May I unfold no more?
 Then grant me to surrender
 The song of bard and priestly lore,
 And be my land's defender.

ARCH-DRUID.

Cease, Orbin, cease; around our shrine
 To aid thy country's cause is thine;
 There, where in slumber dark and deep
 The hearts of ancient heroes sleep,
 Where broods the spirit of the god
 Above the earth which once they trod,
 Inspiring in the fateful hour
 The Druid's sacred soul with pow'r.

ORBIN.

O hear me, father! ere the fray
 Sweep all our country's hopes away,
 Hear me before our brethren go,
 Inspir'd by thee, to meet the foe,
 By justice, mercy, right, and ruth,
 O be thy words the words of truth.

ARCH-DRUID, DRUIDS, AND DRUIDESSES.

Hence—ere the Druid's wrath is woke,
 Hence—ere the awful curse is spoke,
 Here in the shadow of the Oak.
 Doom him to your deadliest throes,
 Doom him, ye gods!—apostate, go!

SOLDIERS AND CARACTACUS.

Leap to the light, &c.

[*Exeunt.*]

ORBIN.

I hear; and ere the morning gray
 I cast my snow-white robe away,
 And I go,
 Like a bard my pæan flinging
 On the front of battle ringing,
 Like a warrior for my land
 Charging sword in hand
 On the foe.

[*He casts down his harp and rushes off.
 The Druids gather round the Oak.*]

DRUIDS AND DRUIDESSES.

Taranis, descend to aid, &c.

SCENE III.

The Forest near the Severn.—Morning.

[*In the distance youths and maidens sing
 while they weave sacred garlands.*]

CHORUS.

Come! beneath our woodland bow'rs,
 Wreath our hallow'd wreaths of flowers,
 Priestly crowns of crimson hue,
 Opening roses bright with dew,
 Come!
 Scatter bud and blossom round you on the
 way,
 Till the tender greensward blushes like the
 day;
 Come! beneath our woodland bow'rs
 Wreath our hallow'd wreaths of flow'rs.

EIGEN.

O'er-arch'd by leaves the streamlet weaves
 Its meshes in the sun,
 The violets blue with diamond dew
 Are jewell'd every one;

My heart is bright as morning light,
And tender as the flow'r,
For here I rove to meet my love,
In this, the chosen hour.

The gentle wind with kisses kind
Is playing on my brow,
The fawn is leaping round the hind
Beneath the rustling bough;
The dove is cooing to her mate,
All things in earth appear,
To joy around me while I wait
For Orbin to be here.

[O wind that blows, O stream that flows,
O little fawn on lea,
All that can move to meet my love,
O call my love to me:
He comes—behold, my fate is told,
With joyous feet I fly
To find my rest upon his breast,
And in his heart to die.]

[Enter ORBIN.]

ORBIN.

Mine Eigen, behold me, a fugitive now,
I fly to the camp with a brand on my brow.

EIGEN.

O tell me, my bard, for thy garment of white
Why bear'st thou the mail and the weapons of
fight?

ORBIN.

Last night beneath the sacred oak,
The dreaded rite was ta'en,
Last night the mystic word I spoke
That told of Britain's bane;
Then came the King, and, false as hell,
A blessed bode the Druids tell,
Alone my voice was rais'd to sing
A warning to our glorious King;
Silenc'd, and curs'd, and driv'n to flight,
I tore my bardic robes of white—
A warrior now, for Britain's weal
I change my golden harp for steel.

Eigen, my lady lov'd, I go,
And but for thee no tear should flow;
Pray to the gods to grant my arm
To guard thy father's head from harm,
And pray this parting may not be
Our last beneath the greenwood tree.

CHORUS.

Come! beneath our woodland bow'rs, &c.

ORBIN.

They gather the wreaths that shall hang on
the shrine
When the curse must be sung o'er this
treason of mine;
O weep not!

EIGEN.

Nay—linger not—haste ye and go,
Fly far from the Druid, the shrine and the
woe.

ORBIN.

Cling closely to me; hold me still,
Heart of my heart, and life and pow'r;
Thou, only thou, the hope, the thrill,
And impulse of the coming hour.

EIGEN.

Thine in death, to thy latest breath,
If it be thy fate to die;

ORBIN.

Then hand in hand, in the far-off land
We will wander, thou and I;

BOTH.

In the land where the fear of hostile sword,
Or the Druid's spell, or the rite abhorr'd,
Shall vex our love no more;
Where all is peace under summer suns,
And clear of battle the river runs,
And in placid waters the lilies float,
And the sweet birds sing an untroubled note;
Where never are heard the sounds of strife,
But all is radiant, joyous life,
When this sad life is o'er.

SCENE IV.

The Malvern Hills.

MAIDENS.

Wild rumours shake our calm retreat,
There comes a noise of hurrying feet,
Of bodesmen straining fast and far,
And the air breathes low of distant war—
Faint sounds of battles lost and won
Quiver and die when day is done;
Sweet lady, hope of Britain's line,
What fears of ours can match with thine?
Whatever woe the gods may bring,
Pray, sisters, for our gallant King.

EIGEN.

When the glow of the evening had died from
the hill,
And the murmuring voice of the forest was still,
[I wander'd again to the oak in the gloom,
Which shadows the shrine by the warrior's
tomb:]
Once again through the thicket all tangled
and green
[Where the glance of the moonlight was fitfully
seen,]
Came the maid of the Druids I met there of
yore,
[But all dark was the garb and the visage she
bore,]
No breath was abroad that might ruffle her
form,
But her tresses were toss'd as if lash'd by a
storm,
[And her hands were tight clench'd and her
eyes were aglare,]
And she spoke and she curs'd thee—O,
father, beware!

“Who falls from the mountain
Shall fall by the sword,
Who flits from the forest
Be bound with a cord;
The King and his kinsfolk
Are captive at home,
And all deck'd for the triumph
The forum of Rome.”

MAIDENS.

Wild rumours, &c.

[To-day we watch'd when morn was nigh
The stars pale slowly in the sky,
And in the dead gray dusk of dawn—
Across the heav'n we saw it drawn—
A mighty sword—a sword of flame,
The smoke wreaths round it went and came,
And from the point, we mark'd them well,
The blood drops slowly roll'd and fell,
One after one, with crimson gleam,
They dy'd the waves of Habren's stream:
The unknown heav'n, the earth we know,
Shake to the signs of coming woe;
But true to troth we here must stay
To guard our princess as we may.]

EIGEN.

O hush ye, my maidens, be hush'd; can it be?
What soldier comes hither so dreadful to see?
By the armour I know him, the tore, and the
ring,
And the dragon of gold, 'tis my father, the King!
[Enter CARACTACUS and remnant of British
soldiery in disorder.]

SOLDIERS.

We were gather'd by the river,
In a deep and hidden glen,
Sword and spear, and bow and quiver,
Many a myriad gallant men;
In our front the battle splendid
Of the foe upon the plain,
Wide its iron ranks extended,
When we burst on him amain,
And the roll of cars was sounding,
And the clash of shields resounding,
And the hiss of jav'lins falling,
And the clang of trumpets calling;
And all day the mighty battle
O'er the bloody meadows spread,
While we fell like butcher'd cattle,
Till the living trod the dead;
And our arms were faint and failing,
We were dying with the day,
When, at last, the foe prevailing
Swept, ah! swept our ranks away.

LAMENT.

CARACTACUS AND CHORUS.

Oh, my warriors, tell me truly,
O'er the red graves where ye lie
That your monarch led you duly,
First to charge and last to fly;
Speak, ah! speak, beloved voices,
From the chambers where ye feast,
Where the war god stern rejoices
That his host has been increas'd;
Say that first I clove the legions
Where the golden eagle flew
O'er the head to whom allegiance
From the Roman foe was due;
[Say ye saw me stand thereunder,
In the thickest of the ring,
While the battle crash'd like thunder.
Fighting bravely—like a king;]
Say, too, when the fight was ending,
That with glazing eyes ye saw
Me my quiv'ring ranks defending
From the greedy Roman maw;
And the god shall give you heeding,
And across the heav'nly plain,
He shall smile, and see me leading
My dead warriors once again!

SCENE V.

The Severn.

[British captives embarking on the Roman
galleys.]

DRUIDESSES AND A BARD.

Captive Britons, see them! Hark
To their tears as they embark!

Fetter'd, weary, worn, and white,
 Sun of Britain, shun the sight !
 Heav'n's of Britain, weep in rain ;—
 They shall ne'er return again !
 Lap their bark with sob and sigh,
 Sombre Habren, swirling by ;
 For they never more shall see
 British heav'n, or land, or thee.

SCENE VI.

Roms.

The Triumphal Procession.

CHORUS.

* Over the marble palace,
 Over the golden shrine,
 O'er street, and square, and forum
 The glaring noonbeams shine ;
 Widely the robes are waving,
 Brightly the jewels glance,
 Eager the eyes that lighten
 Each joyous countenance.

The march triumphal thunders
 Amid the shouting crowd,
 With flash of helm and corslet,
 While trumpets scream aloud ;
 And cymbals sharply ringing
 The car of triumph greet,
 With the milk-white steeds that draw it
 Along the sacred street.

[EIGEN, ORBIN, and CARACTACUS pass.

Before the car how different they
 Who barefoot drag their weary way :

But hark ! a shout that shakes the air,
 The Emperor fills the curule chair ;
 The captives halt before.

CLAUDIUS.

Unbind his hands, silence the trumpets ; plead,
 Briton, if plea can purge thy crimes away,
 Or turn the doom of many a bloody deed,
 The lingering doom that waits on thee to-day.

CARACTACUS.

Heap torment upon torment, woe on woe,
 Let months and years of anguish'd life be
 mine ;
 Tears from these eyes Rome cannot cause to
 flow,
 Nor bend this knee by any pow'r of thine.

* These lines have been transposed for some gain in musical effect.

We lived in peace, was that a crime to thee,
 That thy fierce eagle stoop'd upon our nest ?
 A freeborn chieftain, and a people free,
 We dwelt among our woodlands, and were
 blest.

For liberty, wives, children, hearth and shrine,
 From sea to plain we fought, from plain to
 hill ;

Now all is lost, all that was ours is thine ;
 My soul alone remains unshackled still.

Do then thy worst on me ; my people spare
 Who fought for freedom in our land at home ;
 Slaves they are not ; be wise and teach them
 there
 Order, and law, and liberty with Rome.

EIGEN.

O for the swords of Britain, and the hills !
 The whisp'ring forest by our Habren's side !
 O for our Habren, and her silver rills,
 Before we lost them would that we had died !

ORBIN.

O for mine Eigen in her woodland glade,
 Light as the morning, tripping on the lea !
 Spare, spare her, Roman ! spare this trembling
 maid,
 And measure tenfold torment upon me.

ROMAN CITIZENS.

Slay, slay the Briton.

CLAUDIUS.

Captive, dost thou hear ?
 The gods themselves breathe through a
 people's breath ;
 The gods condemn thee ; dost thou learn to fear ?
 How say ye still, Quirites ?

ROMAN CITIZENS.

Death ! Death ! Death !

CARACTACUS.

I plead not for myself ; not earth or heav'n
 Can shake a soul like mine prepar'd for all ;
 Yet—yet I plead that mercy may be giv'n
 To these, my comrades of the Roman thrall.

My guileless daughter and the warrior bard,
 Her lover, fled from priestly bonds at home,
 Is there no grace for them, and is it hard
 To win so little from Imperial Rome ?

ORBIN.

Plead not for me, I will not quit thy side ;
 But plead for Eigen while thy breath endures ;

EIGEN.

Plead not for me, King's child, and Orbin's
bride,
Yours be my fate, as all my life was yours.

ROMAN CITIZENS.

Slay : Slay them !

CLAUDIUS.

By the gods they shall not die ;
Their blood would curse the ground to which
it grew,
[The noble chief who fought and scorn'd to fly,
The maiden innocent, the lover true.]

We grant you grace ; young warrior, clasp thy
bride ;

Brave chieftain, all thy sufferings are o'er ;
Dwell here in Rome, and by the Emperor's
side
Find safety, peace, and rest for evermore.

EIGEN, ORBIN, AND CARACTACUS.

Grace from the Roman ! peace and rest are
ours,

Freedom is lost, but rest and peace remain ;
Britain, farewell ! through all the lingering
hours

Hope, memory, love shall hide our golden
chain.

CHORUS.

The clang of arms is over,
Abide in peace and brood
On glorious ages coming,
And Kings of British blood.
The light descends from heaven,
The centuries roll away,

The empire of the Roman
Is crumbled into clay ;
The eagle's flight is ended,
His weary wings are furl'd ;
The Oak has grown and shadow'd
The shores of all the world.
Britons, alert ! and fear not,
Tho' round your path of power,
Opposing cohorts gather,
And jealous tyrants lower ;
On—tho' the world desert you,
On—so your cause be right ;
Britons, alert ! and fear not,
But gird your loins for fight.
And ever your dominion
From age to age shall grow
O'er peoples undiscover'd,
In lands we cannot know ;
And where the flag of Britain
Its triple crosses rears,
No slave shall be for subject,
No trophy wet with tears ;
But folk shall bless the banner,
And bless the crosses twin'd,
That bear the gift of freedom
On every blowing wind ;
Nor shall her might diminish
While firm she holds the faith
Of equal law to all men—
And holds it to the death ;
For all the world shall learn it—
Though long the task shall be—
The text of Britain's teaching,
The message of the free ;
And when at last they find it,
The nations all shall stand
And hymn the praise of Britain,
Like brothers, hand in hand.

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FINIS.

(Eigen, Orbin, Caractacus, and Chorus.)

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CARACTACUS.

SCENE I.

BRITISH CAMP ON THE MALVERN HILLS. NIGHT.

Caractacus and the British host entering the Camp.

H. A. AGWORTH, C.I.E.

EDWARD ELGAR, Op. 35.

Allegro. ♩ = 120.

PIANO.

sordamente.
ppp

poco cres.

1

dim.
ppp
cres.

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2

poco cres.

First system of a piano score. The right hand features a complex, flowing melodic line with many beamed sixteenth and thirty-second notes. The left hand plays a steady, rhythmic accompaniment of eighth notes. A 'poco cres.' (poco crescendo) marking is placed above the right hand.

2

fp

cres.

Second system of the piano score. The right hand continues with a melodic line, featuring some rests and then a series of beamed notes. The left hand plays a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes. A 'fp' (fortissimo piano) marking is at the beginning, and a 'cres.' (crescendo) marking is later in the system.

mf

sonore.

Third system of the piano score. The right hand has a melodic line with some sixteenth-note runs. The left hand plays a rhythmic pattern. A 'mf' (mezzo-forte) marking is in the middle, and a 'sonore.' (sonorous) marking is at the bottom.

Fourth system of the piano score. The right hand continues with a melodic line. The left hand plays a rhythmic pattern. There are some dynamic markings and phrasing slurs.

3

f *sf* *sf* *cres.* *sf* *sf*

Fifth system of the piano score. The right hand has a melodic line with many beamed notes. The left hand plays a rhythmic pattern. Dynamic markings include 'f' (forte), 'sf' (sforzando), and 'cres.' (crescendo).

poco rit.

Sixth system of the piano score. The right hand has a melodic line with many beamed notes. The left hand plays a rhythmic pattern. A 'poco rit.' (poco ritardando) marking is in the middle.

4 CHORUS.
SOPRANO.

Watch - men, a - lert!

ALTO.

Watch - men, a - lert!

TENOR.

Watch - men, a - lert!

BASS.

Watch - men, a - lert!

f *a tempo.* *sf marcato.*

Ped. *

the Ro - man hosts Have gird-led in our Brit - ish

the Ro - man hosts Have gird-led in our Brit - ish

the Ro - man hosts Have gird-led in our Brit - ish

p *f*

Sua bassa.

coasts; On ev - 'ry

coasts; On ev - 'ry

coasts; Watch - men, a - lert! On ev - 'ry

Watch - men, a - lert!...

ten. *rf pesante.* *sonore.*

ten. *rf* riv - er's swell - ing tide The sharp - beak'd Ro - man

ten. *rf* riv - er's swell - ing tide The sharp - beak'd Ro - man

ten. *rf* riv - er's swell - ing tide The sharp - beak'd Ro - man

rf The sharp - beak'd Ro - man

3 gal - leys ride;

3 gal - leys ride;

3 gal - leys ride;

3 gal - leys ride;

3 *fff* *dim.*

8283.

Our home - steads burn, and, all be - tween, Wide wast-ed lie our
 Our home - steads burn, our home - steads burn, and, all be -
 Our home - steads burn, our

Our home - steads

wood - - - lands green,
 - tween, Wide wast - ed lie,
 home - steads burn, and, all be-tween, Wide wast - ed lie our
 burn,

wide wast - ed . . lie our wood - lands green,
 lie our wood - lands green,
 wood - lands green, our wood - lands green, Be
 Be - neath the stern un -

wide wast - ed . . lie our wood - lands green,
 lie our wood - lands green,
 wood - lands green, our wood - lands green, Be
 Be - neath the stern un -

cres.

Be - neath the stern un -

cres.

Be - neath the stern un - fal - t'ring tramp, As

- neath the stern un - fal - t'ring tramp, As le - gions roll, as

molto cres.

- fal - t'ring tramp, be - neath the tramp, As le -

cres.

- falt'ring tramp, As le-gions roll . . . from camp to camp.

molto cres.

le - gions roll, as le - gions roll from camp to camp.

molto cres.

le - gions roll, as le - gions roll from camp to camp.

- gions roll from camp to camp, as le-gions roll from camp to camp.

ff

ff strepitoso.

Watch - men, . . . a - lert! . . .

Watch - men, . . . a - lert! . . .

Watch - men, . . . a - lert! . . .

Watch - men, . . . a - lert! . . .

8

fz *p*

Ped. *

the Ro - man hosts Have gird - led in our

the Ro - man hosts Have gird - led in our

the Ro - man hosts Have gird - led in our

the Ro - man hosts Have gird - led in our

sf marcato.

3

sf

Brit-ish coasts.

Brit-ish coasts.

Brit-ish coasts.

Brit-ish coasts.

ff *dim.*

9

CONTRALTOS.

Night has clos'd a -

p *dim.* *pp*

- bove us, sleep, . . and wake a - gain Rea - dy for the

cres. *cres.*

le - gions ga - th'ring on the plain ;

TENORS. * *f*

Loose not helm or buckler,

BASSES. *f*

Loose not helm or buckler,

10

rest like men of war, Sol - dier in his

rest like men of war, Sol - dier in his har - ness,

har - ness, sol - dier in his har - ness, cap - tain by his car ; . . .

sol - dier in his har - ness, cap - tain by his car ; . . .

dim.

dim.

8va

* The Altos (men) with the 1st Tenors to 13.

dim. p pp

11

SOPRANOS.

So the King shall find you,

dim. ppp

cres. when he gives com-mand, In the fi - nal

cres.

mus - - ter rea-dy for the land.

TENORS.
On like men un-daunt-ed, on like men un-daunt-ed,
BASSES.
On like men un-daunt-ed, on like men un-daunt-ed,

12

not a look be-hind, . . Roll the voice of free-dom
not a look be-hind, Roll the voice of free-dom

13

ALTO.
Roll the voice of free-dom rushing on the wind;
Roll the voice of free-dom rushing on the wind;
rushing on the wind, rushing on the wind; . . .
rushing on the wind; . . .

pesante.
Com-ra-des, com-ra-des

13

pesante.

pesante.
Com-rades, com - rades firm and
firm and fear - less, breast the hill and sing To the

pesante.
Com - rades firm and fear - less, breast the
fear - less, breast the hill and sing, To the foe de -
foe de - fi - ance, glo - ry to the King, to the

pesante.
Com - rades firm and fear - less, breast the hill and
hill and sing, To the foe de - fi - ance,
- fi - ance, glo - ry to the King.
foe, to the foe de-fi-ance, glo - ry to the King.

sf

sing . . To the foe de - fi - ance, glo - ry to the
 sing . . To the foe de - fi - ance, glo - ry to the
 sing . . To the foe de - fi - ance, glo - ry to the
 sing . . To the foe de - fi - ance, glo - ry to the

Sva *Allargando.*

14

King. Watch - men, be - hold the warn - ings
 King. Watch - men, be - hold the warn - ings
 King. Watch - men, be - hold the warn - ings
 King. Watch - men, be - hold the warn - ings

ff sf

14

dire, be - hold the warn - ings
 dire, be - hold the warn - ings
 dire . . . Writ east - ward far in signs of fire, be - hold the warn - ings
 dire . . . Writ east - ward far in signs of fire, be - hold the warn - ings

ff sf

Be - hold the warn - ings

dire Writ east - ward far in signs of fire, writ east - ward in

dire, watch - men, be-hold . . the warnings dire, watch -

dire Writ east - ward far . . in signs of fire, be-hold the warnings

15

dire, Writ east - ward far in . . fire;

signs, in signs of fire, in signs of . . fire; On

. . men, be-hold . . the warnings dire; On these green mountain tops the

dire, Writ . . in signs of fire; On these green mountain tops the last, the

15

the last Of Brit-ain's hosts, the last . . of Brit - -

these green mountain tops the last, the last, the last . . Of Brit - -

last, the last Of . . Brit - ain's hosts, of Brit - ain's

last . . Of Brit - ain's hosts, of Brit - ain's

sf sf ff

ain's hosts . . is fort - ressed fast; On

ain's hosts . . is fort - ressed fast; On these green

hosts is fort - - ressed fast; On these green moun - tain

hosts is fort - - ressed fast; On these green moun - tain

Tutta forza. sf

16 16

these green moun - tain tops . . the last Of Brit - ain's hosts, the last of

moun - tain tops, on these green moun - tain tops the

tops . . . the last Of Brit - ain's hosts . . . is fort-ress'd, fort-ress'd

tops . . . the last Of Brit - ain's hosts . . . is fort-ress'd, fort-ress'd

sf *sf* *sf*

Brit - ain's hosts is . . fort - ress'd fast, . .

last Of Brit - ain's hosts, of Brit - ain's hosts is . . fort - ress'd

fast, the . . last of . . Brit - ain's hosts is . . fort - ress'd fast.

fast, the last of Brit - ain's hosts is . . fort - ress'd

dim. *dim. molto.* *dim. molto.* *dim. molto.*

Ped.

Be - fore us Ha - bren's thou - sand rills.

fast.

pp

fast;

Be - hind, the dark Si -

p

Be - hind, . . the dark Si - lu - rian

lu - rian hilla.

pp

ppp

dim.

pp

dim.

hilla.

18 CARACTACUS.
L'istesso tempo.

f. Watch - men, . . . a - lert! . . . the

L'istesso tempo.

p *cre.* *f*

Sua basea, . . .

più lento. dim. *rit.*

Sua . . . King . . is here, . . Your wea-ry bre - thren slum - ber near ;

p *pp colla parte.* *rit.*

19 *a tempo, più lento.*
cantabile.

stringendo.

Well rest ye on your bat-ter'd shields, O he - roes . . of a

a tempo, più lento. *stringendo.*

dim. *poco a poco più lento.*

hundred fields ; Your com - - rades wake your lines to

pp *poco a poco più lento.*

guard; Rest, war - riors, . . rest, . . be-neath their

p rit.

dolce. colla parte. dim in u

ward, rest! . . . rest!

pp Andantino. (He proceeds to the foot

Andantino. ♩ = 60.

en do. ppp con Ped.

of the mound by the Spring of Taranis.)

The

air is sweet, the sky is calm, All na-ture round is breath - ing balm,

legato. ppp

p *dim.*
The e - cho of our war - fare falls faint - faint - dis - tant -

22 *Poco più mosso.* *cres.*
on these grass - y walls, O spi - rits . . . of the

*Poco più mosso. ♩ = 84.
sonore.*

Ped. * *Ped.* * *Ped. simile.*

cres.
hill, sur - round With wav - ing wings this ho - ly

cres. cen - do.

23 *p* *cres.*
ground, And from your air - y cen - sers

pp

f *cres.* *allargando.*

show'r Strength to . . me, strength . . . in this

p *colla parte.*

sonore.

24 *pp* (He ascends the mound by the Spring of Taranis.) *rit.*

lone - ly hour. I have

a tempo. $\text{♩} = 60.$ *ppp* *rit.*

QUASI RECIT. *cres.* *accel.* *poco a poco stringendo e cres.*

fought and I have striv-en, Fought with foes and striv'n with friends, Fought for white rob'd priests and

colla parte. *sf p* *poco a poco stringendo e cres.* *tr*

25 *Allegro molto.* *f*

glee - men, Fought that Britons might be free - - men,

Allegro molto. $\text{♩} = 132.$ *risoluto.* *tr* *3*

con fuoco. *f* *>*

I have driv - en, I have

sonore. *ff*

driv - en O'er the ridg - es steep of war . . . Like a King . . .

26

my thun - d'ring car.

Thro' the cloven ranks of bat-tle Rome has heard my wheelblades

27

rat - tie,

cres. *f* *8va*

And has known . . . Gold - en

marcato. *sf* *dim.* *p*

tore and helm . . . to - ge-ther Shim-m'ring,

shim-m'ring thro' the storm - y wea-ther, And my arm . . . the spear up -

8va *sf* *sf p*

*Allargando. molto espress.**rit. dim.**a tempo. p ten.*

but it ends, . . . Free-dom ends, and pow'rand glo

*Allargando. sf**p**a tempo.**pp*

30

a tempo.

- ry:—

SENTRIERS (a/ar).

CHORUS. TENOR.

ppp.

Watch - men, . . .

a - lert!

CHORUS. BASS.

*ppp.**dim.*

30

Watch - men, . . .

a - . . .

*ppp a tempo.**Allegro di molto.**mf**f*

Nay! . . .

nay, not

lert!

*Allegro di molto. ♩ = 132.**pp**cres.*

yet . . . the steadfast Ro - - man . . . On his

ff *dim.* *pp*

ranks . . . shall feel the foe - - - man Once a -

cres.

- gain, . . . one last en - dea - vour, . . .

mf

31 Brit - ain, my land, is sav'd . . .

ff *accel.* *cres.* *ff* *accel. molto.*

rit. *f* a tempo.

for ev - er.

fff *colla parte. p* dolce. a tempo. *cres. molto e stringendo.*

f *ff* *p*

33

a tempo.

(Hagen enters.)

Hagen. *mf*

Fa - ther!

33

dolce.

Tia

p a tempo.*pp*

Sire and King, Why wand'ring by the

Hi - gen.

con Ped.

pale star - light? . .

Nay! daugh - ter, . what can Ei - gen

bring Un - tend - ed . . through the camp by night?

34

EIGEN.

Nay, not un - tend - ed, Or . . . bin waits,

Close at my side, a guard . . . from

Sea

rit. dim. 35 *p a tempo.*

bale, With me to read thee Brit - ain's fates.

a tempo.

f colla parte. pp

cres.

con Ped.

ORBIN. *f*

CARAOTACUS. *f. p.*

Lord and Cap-tain, hail!

Hail! Or - bin.

f pp pp

CARAOTACUS. 36 *mf*

Fates! . . . they have left . . . me;

dolce.

cres. f p cres.

gods are far; . . . Yet wo - men

pp

allargando. cres.

view the light of hea - ven, Say, canst thou read in

allargando.

pp

molto espress. *f rit.* *dim.*

yon - - der star One ray . . of hope to Bri - tain

colla parte. *pp*

38

ORBIN.

a tempo. Far off the dis - tant

given ?

SENTRIES (in the distance).
ALTO.

pp Watch - men, . . a - lert!

TENOR.

Watch - men, . . a - lert!

BASS.

ppp.

38

Watch - men, . .

ppp a tempo.

sen - try's hail Keeps vi - gil o'er the ar - my sleep - ing:

a - lert!..

fp *dolce.*

p Here all is peace; at - tend . . . the tale Which Ki-gen's gen - tle

pp

breast is keep - ing. . . .

dolce.

40 *Allegro.*

Allegro. ♩ = 80.

Essem. mf

At

cres. molto. *f*

eve to the greenwood, we wan-der'd a-way, To hear the birds sing-ing, as

41 *Poco largamente.*

hap-py . . as they, . . . When we came to the oak where the

Poco largamente.

sf *p* *dim. pp colla parte.*

a tempo. dolce. *cres.*

mis - - tie-toe grows, Be-fore us a fair Dru-id maiden a-rose, . .

a tempo. *ppp*

cres. *p*

. . . In her hand a weird em - blem, a sic-kle, . . she bore,

f p

pp *cres.*

She rais'd . . . it, and thrice, . . thrice reap'd a twig..from the

pp *tr.* *tr.*

dim. 42

oak, And the songs of the for - est were hush'd as she spoke :

8va *tr.* *tr.* *dim. e molto.* *tr.* *tr.* *tr.* *tr.*

mezza voce. *Andantino. quasi ad lib.* *pp dim. cres.*

"When the voi-ces of earth At the mid-night are still, Go

8va *Andantino. ♩ = 56.* *pp colla parte.*

ten.

forth thro' the camp On the crest of the hill; On the mound tow'rd the

sun - rise, By Ta - - - - ra - nis' spring,

pp

f Speak thus to thy fa - ther, *dim.* O child of the King: *rit.* 'From

ppp rit.

sempre trem.

44

Più mosso.
risoluto.

o - cean to riv - er, . . From ri - ver to rill, *cres.* The wings of the *f*

Più mosso. ♩ = 68.

p trem.

ea - gle Shall fol - low thee still; *cres. molto.* But deep in the for - est Their

pp

cres.

vig-our may fail, And high on the mountain The dra-gon pre-
 Sva...
 Ped. * con Ped.

45 *Allegro.*

vail.'"

ORBIN.

On the o - cean and the riv - er, By the

45 *Allegro.* ♩ = 132.

pp *cres.* *p* 3 3 3 3

stream that cuts the plain, Sail and pen - non fill and quiv - er, And the

46
ma cantabile.

war horse champs the grain : . . . Thro' the close en -

pp *ff* *p*

Ped. * *Ped.* * *Ped.* *

tan - - gled for - - est Is the le - - gion's

Ped. * *Ped.* * *Ped.* * *Ped.* *

47

toil . . the sor - est, . . . On the

CARACTAUS. *f*

I have met them in the for - est, And they

Ped. * *Ped.* * *Ped.* *

moun - tain steep . . and drea - ry . . .

bore . . my fierc - - est shock, We were bro - ken like the

Ped. * *Ped.* *

Ergen.

"Deep . . . in the

Mail - ed war horse shall . . . grow

tor - rent That is hurl'd against the rock, the tor - rent that is

Ped.

for - est Their vig - our shall fail, And high . . .

wea - - ry.

"High . . . on the

hurl'd a - gainst the rock:

Ped.

*

Ped.

string.

on the moun - tain The dra - - -

moun - tain The dra - gon pre - vail."

Shall I meet them—meet the

meet them, . . . shall I meet them?

In the Oak grove to - mor - row The

To read thee the o - - -

mens Of . . joy not de - feat: . . .

f *p* *pp* *poco rit.*

Ped.

51 *Largamente e cantabile.*

EIGEN. By the song of the maid - en The

ORBIN. By the song of the maid - en The

CARAOTACUS. *f* By the song of the maid - en The

51 *Largamente e cantabile.* $\text{♩} = 120.$

f *p*

Ped. * *Ped.* * *Ped.* *

o - men shall be, My fa - ther, the glo - ry Of Brit - ain, the

o - men shall be, O fa - ther, the glo - ry Of Brit - ain and

o - men shall be, O Brit - ain, my Brit - ain, The tri - umph of

Ped. * *Ped.* * *Ped.* * *Ped.* *

largamente. *molto rit.*

glo - ry, my fa - ther, the glo - ry Of Brit - ain and

largamente. *molto rit.*

thee, O fa - ther, the glo - ry, glo - ry Of Brit - ain and

largamente. *molto rit.*

thee, O Brit - ain, the tri - umph, Brit - ain, the tri - umph of

rit.

52 *a tempo.* *f* (They descend the Hill.)

thee. *a tempo.*

thee. *a tempo.*

52 *a tempo.* *pp* *molto cres. accel.* *8va. Molto largamente.* *ff a tempo. legato.*

dim. molto.

pp allargando. cres. *ff rit.*

53 *Andante.*CHORUS (*Spirits of the Hill*).

41

SOPRANO.

Rest, wea - ry mon - arch; tow'rd the

Rest, wea - ry mon - arch; tow'rd the

Rest, wea - ry mon - arch; . . . tow'rd the

Rest, . . . wea - ry mon - arch; . . . tow'rd the

53

Andante.

ppp *72*

54

espr. *dim.* day . . The night . . is wan - ing fast a - way; Bent . . on thee with be -

espr. *dim.* day The night is wan - ing fast a - way; Bent . . on thee with be -

espr. *dim.* day . . The night is . . wan - ing fast a - way; Bent . . on thee . . with be -

espr. *dim.* day . . The night is wan - ing fast a - way; Bent on . . thee with be -

54

pp *dim.*

pp *dim.* nig - nant eye, . . Morn's sil - ver star . . as - cends the sky;

pp *dim.* nig - nant eye, . . Morn's sil - ver star . . as - cends, as - cends the

pp *dim.* nig - nant eye, Morn's . . sil - ver star . . as - cends, as - cends . . the

pp *dim.* nig - nant eye, . . Morn's sil - ver star as - cends the sky;

pp *p*

57

The air . . . is hush'd, . . .

The air . . . is hush'd, . . .

Is

57

Sua

Is

is hush'd,

hush'd, the air . . . is hush'd, . . . the arm-ed hill,

is hush'd, . . .

hush'd, the air . . . is hush'd, . . . the arm-ed hill,

dim.

58 *Poco più lento.*

rit. *ppp* Save for the sentry's voice, is still.

ppp Save for the sentry's voice, is still.

ppp Save for the sentry's voice, is still.

ppp Save for the sentry's voice, is still.

58 still.

rit. *ppp* *a tempo. Poco più lento.*

SENTRIES (a far).

59

ppp Watch-men, a -

ppp Watch-men, a - lert!

59

ALTO.

- lert!

BASS.

ppp

Watch-men,

dim.

a - lert!

*dim**in*

u - en - do.

SCENE II.

THE SACRED OAK GROVE BY THE TOMB OF THE KINGS.

Arch-Druid, Orbin, Druids, Druidesses and Bards.

Adagio. $\text{♩} = 63$.
Sva...

PIANO. *pp legatissimo.* *cres.* *mf*

con Ped.

dim. molto.

1
 ARCH-DRUID.
maestoso.

Tread the mys - tic cir - cle round, Measure off the ho - ly ground,

pp *cres.*

pp *mf* *cres.*

Thro' the fire and thro' the smoke, Gir - dle slow.. the sa - - cred

ppp

2

Oak.

CHORUS. TENOR.*

cres.

Thro' the fire and thro' the smoke, Gir - dle slow the sa - cred Oak,

CHORUS. BASS.

*p**cres.*

Thro' the fire and thro' the smoke, Gir - dle 'slow the

2

cres.

8va

mf

8vi

Tree of eld, whose branches show, Bright-est in the win - tersnow, The

Tree of eld, whose branches show, Brightest in the win - tersnow, The

3

dim.

pearl - fruit - ed mis - tle - toe ;

pearl - fruit - ed mis - tle - toe ;

Tree of

* The Altos (men) sing with the 1st Tenors to 53.

pp *dim.*

Tree of eld ! Gir-dle slow . . . the sacred Oak.

eld ! . . . Gir-dle slow *dim.* the sacred Oak. . . .

tr dim. *tr*

4 *mf* *cres.*

ARCH-DRUID.

Bear your torches thro' the gloom, Quench them on the

Bear your torches *mf*

Bear your torches *mf*

Bear your torches

4 *sostenuto.* *sf* *p cres.*

f *dim.*

he-ro's tomb, Where the stones are wet and red With the blood of

thro' the gloom, bear your torches thro' the

thro' the gloom, bear your torches thro' the

p *dim.*

5

vis - tims dead;

gloom. . .

Gir - die slow . . the sacred

gloom. . .

Gir - die slow . . the sacred

pp *pp*

pp dolcissimo.

ten. *ten.* *ten.*

CHORUS SOPRANO & CONTRALTO. *pp dolce.*

Thread the mea - sure left and

dim.

Oak.

dim.

Oak.

ten. *ten.* *ten.* *ten.*

right, Dru-id maid - ens, clad in white, Loose your locks, . . your bosoms

bare, . . Breathe the god - head brood - ing there, Hov'ring round . . your floating

molto dim.

molto dim.

hair.

ppp

ten. *3* *ten.* *3* *ten.* *3* *ten.*

6

CONTRALTO.

Thread . . . the

TENOR.

p

Thro' the fire and thro' the smoke, Gir - dle slow, gir - dle

BASS.

p

Thro' the fire and thro' the smoke, Gir - dle

6

3 *ten.* *3* *ten.* *3* *ten.* *3* *ten.*

SOPRANO.

p

Dru - id maid - ens, maid - ens, clad in white,

mea - sure left . . and right, Dru - id maid - ens, clad in white,

slow the sa - cred Oak.

p *cres.*
Tree of eld, whose
Tree of eld, whose

slow the sa - cred Oak.

p *cres.*
Tree, whose

Ped. * Ped. * Ped. *

molto cres. *f* 7 *sf*

Thread the mea - sure, left and right, Dru -

cres. *molto cres.* *sf*

Thread . . . the mea - sure, left and right, Dru -

molto cres. *f* *sf*

branch - es show The pearl - fruit - ed mis - tle-toe; Tree of

molto cres. *f* *sf*

branch - es show The pearl - fruit - ed mis - tle-toe; Tree of

7

dim. *dolce e dim.*

- id maidens, clad in white, . . Thread the measure, left and right, thread the measure, left and

dim. *dolce e dim.*

- id maidens, clad in white, Thread the mea - sure, Dru - id

sf *dim.* *dolce e dim.*

eld, . . . whose branches show . . . The pearl - fruit - ed mis - tle-toe, the

sf *dim.* *dolce e dim.*

eld, . . . whose branches show . . . The pearl - fruit - ed

dolce e dim.

(The Dance ceases.)

right, Dru-id maidens, clad in white.

maid - ens, clad in white.

pearl - fruited mis - tle - toe; Bear your torch - es thro' the gloom.

mis - tle - toe; Bear your torch - es, bear your torch - es thro' the gloom.

p *dim.* *pp* *ppp* *sonore.* *Allargando.* *dim.* *pp* *ppp* *molto cres.* *rit.*

8

INVOCATION.

Lento e solenne.

Lord of dread, and lord of pow'r.

Lord of dread, and lord of pow'r.

Lord of dread, and lord of pow'r.

Lord of dread, and lord of pow'r.

Lento e solenne. $\text{♩} = 60$

ff *a tempo.* *con Ped.*

ARON-DRUID.

f *dim.*

Ta - ra - nis! This is thine, the fate - ful hour,

ff *sf* *p*

This is thine, the fate - ful hour,

ff *sf* *p*

This is thine, the fate - ful hour,

ff *sf* *p*

This is thine, is thine, the fate - ful hour,

ff *sf* *p*

This is thine, the fate - ful hour.

p *ff* *sf* *dim. molto.* *sf*

espress. *p*

Ta - ra -

When beneath the sacred Oak,

When beneath the sacred Oak,

p *pp*

Thrice the sacred charm is spoke, . .

p *pp*

Thrice the sacred charm is spoke, . .

sf *pp* *espress.* *p*

- nis!

Thrice, thrice, thrice the sa-cri-fi-cial knife

Thrice, thrice, thrice the sa-cri-fi-cial knife, thrice the

Thrice, thrice, thrice the sa-cri-fi-cial knife, thrice the

Thrice, thrice, thrice, thrice the sa-cri-fi-cial

9

ff *8va* *bassa* *ff* *Ped.* *

mf

Ta - ra-nis, de - scend!

dim. *p* *pp*

Red - dens with a vic - - - - - tim's life, . . Thrice the

dim. *p* *pp*

sa - cri - fi - cial knife Red - dens with a vic - tim's life, . . Thrice the

Red - dens, thrice the knife

dim. *p* *pp*

sa - cri - fi - cial knife Red - dens with a vic - tim's life, . . Thrice the

dim. *p* *pp*

knife Red - dens with a vic - - - - - tim's life, . . Thrice the

espress. *p* *pp*

mf. cres. Allargando.

- nis, Ta - - ra - nis, de - scend to aid,

cres. Allargando.

- scend . . . to . . aid, Let the fu - ture fate be said,

cres. Allargando.

de - scend, . . de - scend to aid,

cres. Allargando.

- scend, de - scend to . . aid, Let the fu - ture fate be said,

cres. Allargando.

fff a tempo. molto sostenuto.

Ta - - ra - nis, de - scend, de - scend to aid, Let the fu - - ture fate be

fff a tempo. molto sostenuto.

Ta - - ra - nis, de - scend to aid, Let the fu - ture fate be said, let the fate be

fff a tempo. molto sostenuto.

Ta - ra - nis, descend, de - scend to aid, Let the fu - ture fate be said, let the fate be

fff a tempo. molto sostenuto.

Ta - - ra - nis, de - scend to aid, Let the fu - ture fate be

Sva. fff a tempo. molto sostenuto.

dim. molto.

56 *Poco allargando.*

said, de - scend to aid, *pp*

said, de - scend to aid, *pp*

said, de - scend to aid, *pp*

said, de - scend to aid, *pp*

Poco allargando.

8vi

11 *pp* Ta - ra - nis, de - scend to aid, *dim.*

pp Ta - ra - nis, de - scend to aid, *dim.*

pp Ta - ra - nis, de - scend to aid, *dim.*

11 *ppp*

8va

12 *Moderato.*

nis.

scend.

aid.

aid.

ARCH-DRUID. RECIT. *a tempo.*

12 Bard, what

Moderato. 84.

8283.

ad lib. *rit.* *Lento.*

read ye in the field Of the war-god's sil-ver a-bield?

Lento. ♩ = 66.

colla parte. *ppp*

ORBIN. *p* *dim.*

Round the field the sha-dows ga-ther, Dull, and dim, and dark, my

ppp

13 *Più lento.*

la-ther. *Più lento.* ♩ = 60.

ppp *f* *pp*

ARCH-DRUID. RECIT. *ad lib.* *a tempo.* *rit.*

Van-ish, shadows! let him see Clear-ly what the o-mens

Moderato. *f* *a tempo.* *sfp colla parte.* *dim.*

14 *Allegro.* *a tempo.* **ORBIN.**

be. . . I see an ea-gle fly-ing . . . With

Allegro. ♩ = 120. *mf a tempo.* *f* *pp*

con Ped.

ff stringendo. *Lento.* *p*

beak and ta-lons red, I

stringendo. cres. *pp* *pp*

Lento. ♩ = 66.

dim. (mezza voce.) *Poco più lento.*

see a war-rior ly-ing On the green earth dead.

pp *dim.* *ppp*

Poco più lento. ♩ = 60.

Sua bassa

15

ARCH-DRUID.

mf

Grim the vi-sion,

CHORUS.

*pp**dim.*

Ta-ra-nis!

*pp**dim.*

Ta-ra-nis, de-scent to aid.

*pp**dim.*

Ta-ra-nis, de-scent to aid.

*pp**dim.*

Ta-ra-nis, descend to aid.

15

dim. *3*

Sua

*Allegro.**accel. molto.**cres.*

grim and stern, Min - strel, which thine eyes dis-cern :

Gaze a-gain, and

Allegro. ♩ = 126.*8va.**accel. molto.**fz p*

mark it well, . . . What thou see-est, speak and tell. . .

*colla parte.**dim.**molto rit.*

16

Lento.

ORBIN. RECIT.

*a tempo.**mezza voce.**p**pp*

Dim and dark the shadows ga - ther Round the shield a - gain, my

Lento. ♩ = 66.*colla parte.**ppp**a tempo.**pp*

ARCH-DRUID. RECIT.

fa-ther.

ppp

No more,

the fat-ed hour is past.

*ppp**accel.**8va bassa**Molto Allegro.* ♩ = 138.*fff*

Ped.

17

*Andante.**ARCH-DRUID (aside). p ma marcato.* (The Druid Maidens resume the choric measure round the Oak.)

CHORUS. TENOR.

The omens speak in gloom at last;

And must our

CHORUS. BASS.

The omens speak in gloom at last;

The omens speak in gloom at last;

17

Andante. ♩ = 69.*ten.**ten.**ten.**ten.*

MAIDENS' CHORUS. UNISON.

I hread the

he - ro toil in vain Unbless'd up-on the bat-tle plain?

mea - sure left and right, Dru - id maid ens,

Or, with the Druid's blessing go,

Like fire . . from

Or, with the Druid's blessing go,

Or, with the Druid's blessing go,

clad in white, Thread the mea - sure, thread the mea - sure, Dru - id
 heav'n, up-on . . the foe? *f* Desert your
 Like fire from heav'n, upon the foe? *mf* Desert your
 Like fire from heav'n, upon the foe? *mf* Desert your
ten.
 maid - ens, clad in white. *dim.*
 priests, ye gods; . . . to-night . . Still shall his soul be arm'd for
 priests, ye gods; *p marcato.* to-night . . Still shall his soul be arm'd . . for
 priests, ye gods; *f* to-night *cres. molto.*
 18 *poco a poco stringendo.*
 fight: . . Chil - dren,
 fight, *poco a poco stringendo.* Still shall his soul be arm'd for fight:
 Still shall his soul be arm'd for fight:
 18 *ten.*
poco a poco stringendo.

break off the mystic ring : Attend, -o-bey, -be-hold the King.

f p *sf p*

19

sf *con fuoco.*

Enter Caractacus and Soldiers.
Grandioso. ♩ = 84.

f *Allargando.* *8va*

Ped.

20 CARACTACUS. RECIT.

f *p* *a tempo.*

Hail to thee, fa-ther : Dru-ids, hail ! . . In-ter-pret-ers of bliss and bale ..

Moderato. *p* *ppp a tempo.* ♩ = 80

21

Poco più lento.
mf Tell me, be-fore I meet the foe, . . What fate the ho - - - ly
Poco più lento.
sp *ppp* *α tempo.*

poco rit.
 o - mens show.
pp *poco rit.*

22

(The Arch-Druid ascends his throne.)

Molto allargando.
a tempo. molto cres.
f *ff* *fff*
 Ped. * Ped. *

ARCH-DRUID.
Maestoso.

f *cres.*
 For the band-ed tribes of Brit-ain I stretch my arms a - broad, . .
Maestoso. ♩ = 72. *allargando*

64 *mf.* *molto cres.*
 Mine is the an - cient wis - dom, And mine the voice of
p

ff *f*
 god; Go
p *ff*
 Ped.

23 *Molto grandioso e sostenuto.*

cres.
 forth, O King, to con-quer, And all the land shall know, When falls thy charmed sword edge, In
Molto grandioso e sostenuto. $\text{♩} = 60.$
p

ten. *ff* *a tempo.*
 thunder on the foe. . . But
 CHORUS. SOPRANO. *maestoso.* *f*
 ALTO. Go forth, O King, to conquer, In thun-der on the foe.
 TENOR. Go forth, O King, to con-quer, In thun-der on the foe.
 BASS. *f* Go forth, O King, to con-quer, In thun-der on the foe.
f *p a tempo.*

24

Allegro.

Rome and all her le-gions Shall shud-der . . . at the

Allegro. ♩ = 128.

tr sfz sfz sfz sfz sfz sfz tr

tr tr tr tr tr tr tr

stroke, The wea-pon of the war-god, The

ff sf sf sf sf sf sf

dim. pp colla parte.

Ped. crea. fz

25

cres. a tempo.

shadow of the Oak ; . . . The blade that

a tempo. mollo cres. p

sonore.

26

blasts and withers,

8va

sfz sfz fp

sonore.

Which reap - ing . . . in the whirl - wind, Shall

har - vest them in hell.

37

27 *L'istesso tempo.* $\text{♩} = 126$.

The musical score for measures 27-32 is written for piano. The tempo is marked 'L'istesso tempo.' with a quarter note equal to 126 beats. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The score consists of two staves: a treble staff and a bass staff. The melody in the treble staff begins with a series of eighth notes, marked with 'sf' (sforzando) and 'p' (piano). It includes dynamic markings such as 'cres.' (crescendo), 'p' (piano), 'cres.' (crescendo), and 'ff' (fortissimo). The bass staff provides harmonic support with chords and moving lines. The word 'simile.' is written above the treble staff in measure 30, indicating a similar style or tempo. The score ends with a double bar line in measure 32.

Musical score for "The Rose Tree" in G major, 2/4 time. The score is for voice and piano. The piano part features a melody in the right hand and a bass line in the left hand. The melody is characterized by a series of eighth and sixteenth notes, often beamed together. The bass line provides a steady accompaniment with eighth and sixteenth notes. The score includes a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a time signature of 2/4. The lyrics "The Rose Tree" are written below the piano part. The score is marked with "Silent." and "p" (piano) in the right hand. The score is numbered 2082.

Vivace e con molto fuoco.
CHARACTERS.

cres.

Leap, leap to light, my brand of fight, Flash to the heav'n's shine

Vivace e con molto fuoco. *sf* *sf* *simile.* *cres.*

p *tr*

poco tenuto. *sf*

edg-es bright; Where those sharp lips of steel shall go, Red from the kiss a

colla parte.

ff *rit.* *colla parte.* *Ped.*

fount shall flow, And ma-n-y a gal-lant head lie low, Leap, . . leap to the

29

a tempo.

light!

CHORUS. SOLDIERS.
TENORS.

ff

Leap, . . leap to the light! . .

BASSES.

ff

Leap, . . leap to the light! . .

ff *a tempo.* *p* *Silent.* *Ped.* *Ped.*

30

f *cres.*

Be thou my bard, with note of fire To sound thro' heav'n my

sf *tr* *pp* *cres.*

cres.

roy - al lyre: Sing till the fie - ry e-choes roll To ev - 'ry free - born

ff *rit.*

war-rior's soul, And pierce as lev'n that cleaves the bole, Sing, sing to the

colla parte.

31

*a tempo.**ad lib. ff**a tempo.*

light!

Cry . .

CHORUS. TENORS.

*ff a tempo.**a tempo.*

Sing, CHORUS. BASSES.

*ff a tempo.**a tempo.*

Sing,

sing to the light!..

31

a tempo. *dim.* *p* *ad lib.* *cres.* *tr* *a tempo.* *fff*

Ped. *Ped.*

nak - ed to a coun - try free, Guer - don and gold be none for thee ;

p *sf* *sf* *sf* *simile.*

Land of my sires, land of mine,

pp

Hark to the song and make it thine,— Wake, wake and

f *Sra.....*

see my sig - nal shine: Wake, . . wake to the

fff rit. *Sra.....* *colla parte.*

34

*a tempo.**ff*

light,

wake

to

CHORUS. TENORS.

*a tempo.*Wake,
CHORUS. BASSES.

wake to the light, wake, wake to light, my brand of fight, wake,

a tempo.

34

Wake, wake to the light, wake, wake to light, my brand of fight, wake, .

*ff a tempo.**fff accel.*

Ped.

*

35

*Allegro.*ORBIN. Δ *f*

light!

Shall we

greet them; Shall

[wake to light!

wake to light!

35

Allegro. $\text{♩} = 138.$ *sf**sf**pp*

Ped.

*

marcato.

we

meet them? And with might - y

spell . . . de-feat them?

sfp

cres.

pp

Poco più mosso.

sonoramente e cantabile.

No!

Meet them with our

Poco più mosso. ♩ = 144.

con fuoco.

*Ped. * Ped. **

war cry ring-ing,

CHARACTERS.

Meet them songs of

CHORUS. TENORS.

Meet them with our war cry ring - ing,

CHORUS. BASSES.

Meet them with our war cry ring - ing,

Meet them with our war cry ring - ing,

Ped. simile.

37 *cres.*

tri - umph sing - ing.

In thy hand thou

Meet them songs of tri - umph sing - ing.

Meet them songs of tri - umph sing-ing.

Meet them songs of tri - umph sing-ing.

37

bear'st the o - men, Trust to that a- gainst the foe - men ;

Spell and charm shall fail thee ev-er, But thy
 CHORUS. TENORS. *dim.*
 In thy hand thou bear'st the o - men, *dim.*
 CHORUS. BASSES.
 In thy hand thou bear'st the o - men,

sword, but thy sword, but thy sword . . de-ceive thee nev-er !
 The sword, the sword !
 The sword, the sword !
rit. *ffz* *colla parte.*

L'istesso tempo.

f No more, .. no

L'istesso tempo.

ff a tempo. *sf* *p*

more ! May I un-fold no

sf p colla parte.

a tempo. *p* *cres.*

more ! Then grant me to sur - ren - der The song of bard and

sf/p *a tempo.* *sf/p* *pp* *cres.*

rit. *ff*

priest - ly lore, And be my land's defender.

Allegro, con fuoco. *a tempo.* *ff*

colla parte.

ARCH-DRUID.
RECIT. *ad lib.*

Moderato.

f *p* *dolce.* *Moderato. ♩ = 92.*

Cease, Or-bin, cease; a - round our shrine To

sfz colla parte. pp

dim.

aid, to aid our coun - try's cause is thine; A -

dim. pp

41 *Più lento.*
molto espress.

- round our shrine, — There, where in slum - ber dark . . and

Più lento. ♩ = 66.

ppp rit. pp

deep The hearts of an - cient he - roes sleep, Where broods the

pp *ppp*

spi - rit of the god A - bove the earth . . . which once they

dim. pp

8va

42

*Poco più mosso.**solenne.**cres.*

trod, In - spir - ing in the fate - ful hour The

Poco più mosso. ♩ = 69.

ppp

f

Dru - id's sa - cred soul with pow'r. . . O

f

ORRIN.

43

*Poco più mosso. molto espress.**accel.**mf*

hear me, fa - ther! hear . . me, . . . hear me, ere the fray Sweep

Poco più mosso. ♩ = 84.

pp

accel. sf

pp

pp rit. *a tempo, più mosso.* *agitato.*

all our country's hopes a - way, Hear me be-fore my bre-thren go,

rit. *a tempo, più mosso.* *pp*

cres. **44** *Allegro.*

In - spir'd . . by thee, . . to meet the foe,

Allegro. ♩ = 128.

cres. *sfz* *marcato.*

Risoluto. ff

By jus - tice, . . mer - cy, . . right, and ruth, . .

pp> *marcato.*

accel. *ff*

. . O be thy words the words of truth.

pp *f* *accel.* *tr*

45 *Allegro con molto fuoco.*

CHORUS. DRUIDS AND DRUIDESSES.

SOPRANO.

cres. molto.

Hence, hence, ere the aw-ful

ALTO.

cres. molto.

Hence, hence, ere the aw-ful curse is

TENOR.

cres. molto.

Hence, hence, hence, ere the Dru-id's wrath is woke,

BASS.

*p**cres. molto.*

Hence, hence, ere the Dru-id's wrath is woke, Hence, ere the

45 *Allegro con molto fuoco.* ♩ = 152.*p**sf p**sf**p**sf**sf**sf**sf**sf**sf**sf**sf**sf**sf**sf**sf**sf**sf**sf**sf*

curse is spoke, ere the curse is spoke,

hence,

spoke, hence, ere the curse is spoke,

hence,

Hence, ere the curse is spoke,

ere the curse is spoke,

aw-ful curse: is spoke,

ere the curse is spoke,

I hear; . .

hence,

hence, . .

hence!

hence,

hence, . .

hence!

Here in the sha-dow of the Oak!

Here in the sha-dow of the Oak!

46

sempre f e cantabile.

and ere the morn - ing gray

I cast my

47

snow - white robe a - way,

Hence, hence, ere the aw - ful

Hence, hence, ere the

Hence, ere the Dru-id's wrath is

Hence, ere the Dru-id's wrath is woke,

47

48 *risoluto.*

I hear;

curse is spoke, Here in the sha-dow of the Oak!

curse is spoke, Here in the sha-dow of the Oak!

woke, Ere the curse is spoke, Here in the sha-dow of the Oak!

Ere the curse is spoke, Here in the sha-dow of the Oak!

48

and cast my snow - white robe a - way, . .

49 *a tempo, cantabile e ff*

And I go, - Like a bard, a bard mypae - an

p *rit.* *sf p a tempo.* *Ped.* ** Ped.* ** Ped. simile.*

mf

flinging On the front of bat - tle ring -

ff *p*

50 *mf*

- ing, Like a war - rior for my land..

ff *p* *sf p*

cres.
Charg - ing sword in hand On the foe! . . .

sf sf sf p colla parte. pp stringendo.

51 $\text{♩} = 168$ *(He casts down his harp and rushes off.)*

CHORUS. SOPRANO.

Doom him,

CHORUS. ALTO.

Doom him,

CHORUS. TENOR.

CHORUS. BASS.

Hence, ere the

51 Hence, ere the aw - ful curse is spoke,

8va
 $\text{♩} = 168$

*cres. molto. f Ped. V V V * V V V **

doom, doom him to your dead - liest throe,
doom him, doom him to your dead - liest throe,
aw - ful curse, the aw - ful curse is spoke, Hence, hence, ere the
Hence, hence, ere the

sf L.H. 3

stringendo. *ff* > > > > > >

Go, go, a - pos - tate go,

stringendo. > > > > > >

doom him, doom him to your dead - liest throe,

stringendo. *ff*

aw - ful curse, the aw - ful curse is spoke, hence, ere the aw - ful

stringendo. *ff*

aw - ful curse is spoke, hence, ere the aw - ful

stringendo. L.H. 3

52

♩ = 92. *sf* > > > > >

go hence, go hence, a - pos - tate, a -

sf > > > > >

go hence, . . go hence, go hence, a - pos - tate

curse is spoke.

curse is spoke.

♩ = 92. *sf* > > > > >

sf > > > > >

pos - tate, go hence.

go, a - pos - tate go.

TENORS. SOLDIERS.

ff ^Λ Leap, leap to the light,

BASS. SOLDIERS.

ff ^Λ Leap, leap to the light, my brand of

53

sf ^Λ *sonore.*

ALTO. SOLDIERS.

Leap, leap to light, my

my brand of fight,

fight, leap, leap to light, my

Sea

54 *Maestoso.*

brand of fight, leap to the light, my brand of fight,

leap to the light, my brand of fight,

brand of fight, leap to the light, my brand of fight,

Sea

54 *Maestoso.*

ff *pesante.*

Flash to the heav'ns thine edges bright; Leap, leap to light, my

Flash to the heav'ns thine edges bright; Leap, leap to light, my

Flash to the heav'ns thine edges bright; Leap, leap to light, my

Flash to the heav'ns thine edges bright; Leap, leap to light, my

55 (*Caractacus and Soldiers march off.*)

brand of fight.

brand of fight.

brand of fight.

brand of fight.

55

DRUIDS. (*The Druids gather round the Oak.*)

* TENORS. *fff* Ta - ra - nis,

BASSES. *fff* Ta - ra - nis,

dim. molto. *fff* Ta - ra - nis,

Ped.

* The Altos (men) sing with the 1st Tenors to the end.

SOPRANOS.

CONTRALTOS.

de - - scend!

de - - scend!

pp stringendo. *cres. molto.* *tr*

56 *fff* *dim.*

Ta - - - ra - nis! . . . Ye

fff *dim.*

Ta - - - ra - nis, de - scend to

fff *dim.*

Ta - - - ra - nis! . . .

fff *dim.*

Ta - - - ra - nis! de - scend to

56 *fff* *dim.*

stringendo.

gods! ye gods! oh! doom him, doom him,

stringendo.

aid! Ye gods! oh! doom him, doom him,

stringendo.

Ye gods! . . ye gods! . . oh! doom . . him, doom . . .

stringendo.

aid! Ye gods! . . oh! doom . . him, doom . . .

stringendo. sf *sf* *sf* *sf con fuoco.*

doom him, a - pos - tate, oh! doom him ye

doom him, a - pos - tate, oh! doom him ye

. . him! to your dead - liest throe, Doom him, gods!

. . him to your dead - liest throe, Doom him, gods!

57 87

fff Δ

gods!— a pos

fff Δ

gods!— a pos

doom him ye gods!— a

fff Δ

doom him, a pos

57 *tr*

fff

58 *Allargando.*

tate go.

tate go.

pos tate go.

tate go.

58 *Allargando.* $\text{♩} = 152.$

a tempo. *stringendo.* *Preto.*

fz *p* *ff* *sf* *sf* *sf* *sf* *fffz*

Ped. *

SCENE III.

THE FOREST NEAR THE SEVERN. MORNING.

Allegro piacevole. ♩ = 92.

PIANO.

pp dolce.

cres. mf dim. pp

cres. mf

1

pp

*Ped. * Ped. * Ped. * Ped. * Ped. **

dim. pp

*Ped. * Ped. * Ped. * Ped. **

2

mf dim. pp

*Ped. * Ped. sonore. Ped. **

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In the distance youths and maidens sing while they weave sacred garlands.

5

$\text{♩} = \text{♩ of preceding.}$

SOPRANO.

legato.

Come! be - neath our

ALTO.

Come! be - neath our

TENOR.

Come! be - neath our

1st BASS.

pp leggiero.

Come! be-neath our wood-land bow-ers,

2nd BASS.

pp leggiero.

Come! be-neath our wood-land bow-ers,

5

$\text{♩} = \text{♩ of preceding.}$

*ppp**poco* >

wood-land bow'rs, wood-land bow'rs, Wreathe our hal - low'd wreaths of flow'rs,

poco >

wood-land bow'rs, wood-land bow'rs, Wreathe our hal - low'd wreaths of flow'rs,

poco >

wood-land bow'rs, wood-land bow'rs, Wreathe our hal - low'd wreaths of flow'rs,

come! be - neath our wood-land bow-ers, Wreathe our hal-low'd wreaths of flow-ers, wreathe our hal-low'd

come! be - neath our wood-land bow-ers, Wreathe our hal-low'd wreaths of flow-ers, wreathe our hal-low'd

wreaths of flow'rs, Priest - ly crowns of crim - son hue,
1st ALTO.

wreaths of flow'rs, Priest-ly crowns of crim - son . . hue, of crim-son
2nd ALTO.

wreaths of flow'rs, 6 Priest-ly crowns of crim - son . . hue, of crim-son
1st TENOR.

wreaths of flow'rs, Priest-ly crowns of crim - son hue,
2nd TENOR.

wreaths of flow'rs, Priest-ly crowns of crim - son, crowns of crim-son hue,
1st BASS.

wreaths of flow - ers, Priest - ly crowns of crim - son hue, of crim-son
2nd BASS.

wreaths of flow - ers, Priest - ly crowns of crim - son hue, of crim-son
6

Ope - ning ros - es bright with . . dew,
hue, Ope-ning ros - es, 3 ros - es bright . . with

hue, Ope-ning ros - es, ros - es bright . . with

Ope - ning ros - es, ros - es, ros - es bright with

Ope - ning ros - es, ros - es, ros - es bright, ros - es bright with

hue, Ros - es bright with dew,

hue, Ros - es bright with dew,

7

mf Come! Scat-ter bud and blos-som round you on . . . the way,
1st & 2nd ALZOS.

dew,
1st & 2nd TENORS.

dew, Come, come,

mf *pp sempre.*

Scat-ter bud and blos-som round you, scat-ter bud and blos-som round you,
mf *pp sempre.*

Scat-ter bud and blos-som round you, scat-ter bud and blos-som round you,

7

mf *p*

pp

mf Come! Till the ten-der green-sward blush-es like . . . the
dim.

blos-som on the way,
dim.

come! . . .

mf *pp*

Till the ten-der green-sward blush-es, till the ten-der green-sward blush-es,
mf *pp*

Till the ten-der green-sward blush-es, till the ten-der green-sward blush-es,

dim. *mf* *p*

pp

8

day ;
Come ! Scat-ter bud and blos - som round you
Till the ten-der greensward blush-es like the day,
Come, come, come ! Scat - ter bud and blos - som round you,
Come, come, come ! Scat - ter bud and blos - som round you,
Scat - ter bud and blos - som round you, Come, come !
Scat - ter bud and blos - som round you, Come, come !

mf *dim.* *mf* *pp* *mf* *pp* *mf* *pp* *mf* *pp*

8

on the way, on the way, Come !
like the day ;
Come, come ! be - neath our wood - land bow - ers, . .
Come, come !

dim. molto. *p* *pp* *pp* *dim. molto.* *pp* *dim. molto.* *pp*

9

be - neath our wood-land bow'rs, wood-land bow'rs,

pp Come! be - neath our wood-land bow'rs, wood-land bow'rs,
1st & 2nd TENORS.

ppp Come! be - neath our wood-land bow'rs, wood-land bow'rs,

ppp Come! be - neath our wood-land bow - ers, come! be - neath our wood-land bow - ers,

ppp Come! be - neath our wood-land bow - ers, come! be - neath our wood-land bow - ers,

dim. molto. Wreathe our hal - low'd wreaths of flow'rs, wreaths of flow'rs.

pp *dim. molto.* Wreathe our hal - low'd wreaths of flow'rs, wreaths of flow'rs.

pp *dim. molto.* Wreathe our hal - low'd wreaths of flow'rs.

ppp Wreathe our hal - low'd wreaths of flow'rs.

ppp Wreathe our hal - low'd wreaths of flow'rs.

ppp Wreathe our hal - low'd wreaths of flow'rs.

dim.

EIGEN. p *rall.*
♩ = ♩ of preceding.
 O'er - - arch'd . . . by

pp *rall.*
Ped. *

a tempo, l'istesso tempo.
 leaves . . the streamlet weaves its mesh-es in the sun, . . The vi-o-lets

pp a tempo.

11
p
 blue . . with dia-mond dew Are jew-ell'd ev-'ry one; . . . My

heart is bright as morn-ing light, . . And ten-der..

Ped. * *Ped* * *simile.*

as the flow'r, . . . My heart . . . is bright, . . . my heart is

pp

Ped. * *Ped.* * *simile.*

12

bright, is bright as morn-ing light, And ten-der as the flow'r, . . . For

p dolce.

ppp

con Ped.

espress.

here . . . I rove, . . . for here . . . I rove to meet my

pp

love, . . . to meet . . . my love, to meet . . . my love, . . . In

dolcissimo.

ppp

Ped. * *Ped.* * *Ped.* * *Ped.* *

13

a tempo.

rit. *a tempo.* *p*

this . . the chos - en hour. The

cres. *colla parte.* *a tempo.*

Ped. * *Ped.* *

gen - - tle wind with kiss-es kind Is play - ing, play-ing on my

ppp

brow, The fawn . . is leap - ing round the hind

. . . Be-neath the rust - - ling bough ;

fp *pp*

The dove is coo-ing, is coo-ing

ppp

to her mate, All things . . in earth ap-pear, . . To

rit. *a tempo. f*

rit. *cres.* *a tempo. mf*

Ped. * *Ped.* * *Ped.* * *Ped.* *

joy . . a-round me while . . . I wait . . For Or-bin to be

rit. *a tempo.* 15

rit. *p a tempo.*

Ped. *

here.

ff

Enter Orbin. ORBIN.
Mine

dim. p pp

Ei - gen, . . . Ei - . . . gen, . . . be -

pp cresc.

- hold me, a fu - gi - tive now, I fly to the camp with a brand . . . on my

tr cresc. f

17
EIGEN.
O tell me, my bard, . . . for thy gar - ment of white Why

brow.

17

pp

bear'st thou the mail and the weapons of fight?

accel.

18 ORBIN. REDIT. *quasi in tempo.*

Last night be-neath the sa-cred oak, The dread-ed rite was

pp colla parte. *a tempo.*

a tempo. *cres.*

ta'en, Last night the mystic word I spoke That told of Britain's bane;

pp *accel.*

f a tempo.

Then came the King . . . and, false as hell, A blessed bode the Druids

p *fz* *colla parte.*

a tempo. tell, A - lone my voice was rais'd to sing A warning to our glo-rious
pp a tempo. *colla parte.* *più sostenuto.*

19 King; Silence'd, and curs'd, and dri-ven to flight, I tore my bardic robes of
f a tempo. *colla parte.* *rit.*

white— . . . A war - rior now, for Britain's weal I
f a tempo. *a tempo.* *f* *crea.*

20 change my gold - en harp for steel. . . Ei - gen, my la - dy lov'd, . .
f rit. *molto cantabile.* *f ten.* *pp a tempo.*

p

I . . go, And but for thee . . no tear should flow ;

21

rit. *ff*

Pray to the gods to grant my arm To guard . . thy fa - ther's head . .

colla parte. *fpp*

rit. f *espress.*

from . . harm, And pray this part - ing may not be Our

rit. *p* *Ped.* *

rit. p

last be - neath the green - wood tree, be - neath the green - wood

dim. mollo. *pp colla parte.* *Ped.* *

♩ = ♩ of preceding.

tree.

CHORUS.

SOPRANO.

ALTO.

TENOR.

1st BASS.

2nd BASS.

22

♩ = ♩ of preceding.

ppp

Come! be - neath our wood-land bow'rs,

ppp

Come! be - neath our woodland bow'rs,

ppp

Come! be - neath our woodland bow'rs,

ppp leggiero.

Come! be - neath our wood-land bow - ers, come! be - neath our

ppp leggiero.

Come! be - neath our wood-land bow - ers, come! be - neath our

*pp**ppp**parlando.*

They ga - ther the wreaths

dim.

wood - land bow'rs, Wreathe our hal - low'd wreaths of flow'rs,

dim.

wood-land bow'rs, Wreathe our hal - low'd wreaths of flow'rs,

dim.

wood-land bow'rs, Wreathe our hal - low'd wreaths of flow'rs,

wood - land bow - ers, Wreathe our hal - low'd wreaths of flow - ers, wreathe our hal - low'd

wood - land bow - ers, Wreathe our hal - low'd wreaths of flow - ers, wreathe our hal - low'd

that shall hang on the shrine When the curse must be sung o'er this

dim.

S. wreaths of flow'rs, Come! Scat-ter bud and blos-som round you on the

A. wreaths of flow'rs, come!

T. wreaths of flow'rs, come!

B. wreaths of flow-ers, Scat-ter bud and blos-som round you, scat-ter bud and

B. wreaths of flow-ers, Scat-ter bud and blos-som round you, scat-ter bud and

dim.

23

treason of mine; *espress.* *p* Nay—lin-ger

S. way, *dim.* Come! Till the tender green-sward blush-es

A. *pp* Come! Scat-ter bud and blos-som on the way,

T. *pp* Come, come, come!

B. blos-som round you, Till the ten-der green-sward blush-es, till the ten-der

B. blos-som round you, Till the ten-der green-sward blush-es, till the ten-der

23

not haste ye, haste ye and go, Fly far from the Dru - id, . . .

weep *dim.* not!

S. like . . . the day; Come! Scat-ter bud and *mf dim.*

A. 1st Tenor. Come! Till the ten-der greensward blush-es like the *mf dim.*

T. 2nd Tenor. Come, come, come! Scat-ter bud and *mf dim.*

T. Come, come, come! Scat-ter bud and *mf dim.*

B. greensward blush-es, Scat-ter bud and blos-som round you, Come, *mf dim.*

B. greensward blush-es, Scat-ter bud and blos-som round you, Come, *mf dim.*

p *mf dim.*

. . . the shrine, and the woe. . .

S. blos-som round you on the way. *dim. molto.*

A. day, like the day. *dim. molto.*

T. blos-som round you on the way. *dim. molto.*

T. blos-som round you, *dim. molto.*

B. come! *pp* come, come! *dim. molto.*

B. come! *pp* come, come!

Fed. *3* *

♩ = ♩ of preceding.

mf

24

Cling close-ly . . to me, . . hold me still, Heart of my heart, . .

ppp

A. Come! be - neath our bow'rs.

ppp

T. Come! be - neath our wood - land bow'rs.

ppp

T. Come! be - neath our wood - land bow'rs.

ppp leggiero. dim.

B. Come! beneath our woodland bow-ers, come! beneath our woodland, wood-land bow'rs.

ppp leggiero. dim.

B. Come! beneath our woodland bow-ers, come! beneath our woodland, wood-land bow'rs,

24 *♩ = ♩ of preceding.*

ppp

Ped. *

Orch.

rit. f

dim.

rit. pp

. . and life and pow'r; Thou, on - ly thou, the hope, . . the hope, the thrill, And

colla parte.

p dim.

rit. pp

EIGEN. *Molto lento.*

Thine in death, to thy lat - est breath, If it

rall. *pp*

im-pulse in the com-ing hour.

Molto lento. *pp*

be thy fate to die; . . .

f *largamente.*

Then hand in hand, in the far - off land We will

colla parte.

a tempo. animato e legato.

rit. In the land where the fear of the hos - tile sword, Or the

dim. *a tempo. animato e legato.*

wander, thou and I . . . we will wander, thou and I, we will wander, thou and

rit. *a tempo. animato.*

p
 Dru - id's spell, or the rite ab - hor'd, . . . Shall
p
 I; In the land where the hostile sword Shall vex our love no more, . . . shall

Ped. * *Ped.* *

mf *dim.*
 vex . . our love . . no more, . . shall vex our love, . . shall vex our love no
mf *dim.*
 vex . . our love . . no more, . . shall vex our love, . . shall vex our love no

Ped. * *Ped.* * *Ped.* *

27 *p* *mf*
 more; . . un - der sum - mer suns, . .
p *espress.*
 more; . . Where all . . is peace, . . where all . . is

27 *f*

Ped. * *Ped.* * *Ped.* * *Ped.* * *Ped.* *

And clear . . . of bat-tle . . . the riv - er runs,
 peace . . . un - der sum - mer suns, where all

28

f *dim.* *p*

f *pp*

Ped. * Ped. * Ped. *

Un-der sum - mer
 . . . is peace un-der sum - mer, sum - mer

Sea

pp *ppp*

Ped. * Ped. * Ped. *

suns, . . . And in pla - cid wa - ters the lil - ies
 suns, . . . The

pp *ppp*

Ped. * Ped. *

29

f float, . . . And the sweet birds sing an un - troub - led note; Where
p dolce lil - - - ies 'float, . . . And the sweet birds sing an un -

cres.

p dolce.

8va

cres.

Ped. * *Ped.* *

29

largamente.

nev-er, never are heard the sounds of strife, But all is radiant, joy-ous life;
 troub - - - led note; . . . But all, . . . all is radiant, joy-ous

f

cres. *do*

In the land where the fear of the
 life, When this sad life . . . is o'er; Where nev-er are heard the sounds of

al *f* *f*

Ped. * *Ped.* *

hos - tile sword . . Shall vex our love . . no more ; . . Where
 strife, But all . . is radiant, joy - ous life, but all . . is ra - diant, radiant, joy - ous life ; Where

30

Ped. * *Ped.* *

sostenuto.
 all . . . is peace un - der sum - mer suns, . . . And
sostenuto.
 all . . . is peace un - der sum - mer suns, . . . And

Ped. * *Ped.* *

clear . . . of bat - tle the riv - er runs. . . .
 clear . . . of bat - tle the riv - er runs. . . .

2 2
 2 2

31

Nay-lin-ger not-haste ye and go, Fly from the

Ei-gen, my la-dy lov'd, . . I . . go, Ei-gen, and but for thee . .

31

pp

f *largamente.*

shrine and the woe; And pray this part-ing, . . this part-ing may not be Our

f *largamente.*

. . no tear should flow; And pray this part-ing may not be Our last, our

rit. e dim.

last, and pray this part-ing may not be Our last be-neath the greenwood tree, beneath the greenwood

rit. e dim.

last beneath the greenwood tree, our last beneath the greenwood tree, . . be-neath . . the greenwood

rit. e dim.

Ped * *Ped* *

32

tree. . . . Heart of my heart, Thou, on - ly

tree. . . . Heart of my heart, Thou, on - ly

32

p *cres.* *cres.* *sf*

thou, the hope, the thrill, And im-pulse of the com - ing hour.

thou, the hope, the thrill, And im-pulse of the com - ing hour.

dim. *p* *dim.* *p*

33

pp *dim.*

Thine in death, to thy lat - est breath, to thy lat - - - est

pp *dim.*

Thine . . in death, to thy lat - est breath, to thy lat - - - est

33

pp *dim.*

34

tranquillo.

breath; Then hand . . . in hand, . . . in the

tranquillo.

breath; . . . Then hand . . . in hand, . . . in the

34

*ppp tranquillo.**Ped.**res. molto.**rit.*

far - off, far off land We will wan - der thou and

*cres. molto.**rit.*

far - off, far - off land We will wan - der, we will wan-der thou and

*rit.**a tempo.*

I

a tempo.

I

*Sra.**p a tempo.**molto cres.**f**sf**sf**Ped.*

END OF SCENE III.

SCENE IV. THE MALVERN HILLS.

Allegro. ♩ = 116.

PIANO. *mf* *p*

cres. molto. *f* *p*

ten. *espress.* 1

CHORUS OF MAIDENS.
SOPRANO.

mf Wild ru-mours shake.. our calm re-treat, *dim.*

CONTRALTO.

mf Wild ru-mours shake.. our calm.. re-treat, There *dim.*

mf *f* *dim.* *p*

cres. 2 There comes a noise of hurrying, hur-rying feet, . . Wild ru-mours

comes a noise of hurrying feet, a noise of hurrying feet, 2 Wild

f *dim.* *f*

1st SOPRANO. *dim.* shake our calm re - treat, shake our calm re - *cres. poco largamente.*

2nd SOPRANO. *dim.* shake, shake our calm re - treat, our calm re - *cres. poco largamente.*

1st CONTRALTO. *dim.* rumours shake our calm re - treat, wild rumours shake our calm re - treat, our calm re - *cres. poco largamente.*

2nd CONTRALTO. *dim.* rumours shake our calm re - treat, wild ru - mours shake our calm re - treat, our calm re - *cres. poco largamente.*

dim. *p* *pp* *cres. poco largamente.*

1st & 2nd SOPRANOS. treat, Of bodes - men straining fast and far, Of

1st & 2nd CONTRALTOS. treat, Of bodesmen straining, straining fast and far, . . .

f *espress.* *ten.* *p ma marcato.*

Ped. * *Ped.* *

dim. 3 *pp*

bodes-men strain-ing fast and far, And the air breathes low of

bodes-men strain-ing fast and far,

3

dim. *pp*

Ped. * *Ped.* *

dis - tant war, the air breathes low of dis - tant

The air breathes low of dis tant

pp

war, Faint sounds of bat - tles lost and won . . .

war, Sounds of bat - tles lost and

f *pp*

Quiver and die, quiver and die . . . when day is *dim.*

1st CONTRALTO. won . . . Quiver and die when day is *dim.*

2nd CONTRALTO. won . . . Quiver and die when day is *dim.*

p *dim.*

4

done.

1st & 2nd CONTRALTOS.

done.

Sweet

f molto espressa.

p

pp

p

Hope of Britain's line, hope of Brit - ain's line,

la - dy, sweet la - dy, hope of Britain's line, What

fpp

fpp

poco rit.

f a tempo.

What fears of ours can match with thine?

poco rit.

f a tempo.

fears . . of ours, what fears can match with thine?

poco rit.

fpp

f

p a tempo.

Pray, sis - ters,

What - ev - er woe the gods may bring, Pray, sis - ters,

f *dim.* King, . . . *p*

pray for our gal - lant King, sis - ters, pray,

dim. *p*

pray for our gal - lant King, sis - ters,

f *p dim.* *pp*

pp *dim.* 6

sis - . . . ters, pray for our gal - lant King.

dim. *pp* *dim.*

pray, sis - ters, pray for our gal - lant King.

6 *pp*

Espress. rit.

When the

*Moderato.
a tempo.*

glow of the eve - ning had died, . . . had died . . . from the

*Moderato.
a tempo.* ♩ = 84.

hill, . .

And the murm'ring voice of the for - est was still, . .

Once again thro' the

thick - et

Came the maid

of the Druids

I met there of yore; No

poco stringendo. *cres. s.*

breath was a - broad . . that might ruf - fle her form, But her

p poco stringendo. *sf* *p* *sf*

sempre stringendo.

tress-es were toss'd as if lash'd by a storm, And she

pp *sempre stringendo.* *cres.*

cres. *rit.* **8 a tempo.** *ma ben pronunziato.*

spoke and she curs'd thee,—O fa - ther, be - ware! . . . "Who falls from the

f *rit.* *p a tempo.* *sf*

♩ = 96.

mountain Shall fall by the sword, Who flits from the for-est Be bound with a cord; The King and his

sf *pp* *sf* *sf*

f accel.

kina-folk Are cap-tive at home, And all deck'd for the tri-umph The

f^{pp} accel.

Allegro.

fo - rum of Rome.

Allegro. ♩ = 126.

molto cres.

**9 CHORUS OF MAIDENS.
1st & 2nd SOPRANOS.**

p cres. Wild ru-mours shake our calm re-treat, . . .

dim.

p

CONTRALTO.

p cres. Wild ru-mours shake . . . our calm re-treat, Faint

dim.

9 L'istesso tempo.

fp

espress.

Sounds of bat-tles lost and won . . .

espress.

sounds . . . of bat-tles lost

espress.

10

Etern.

pp *dim.* O hush . . . ye my maid-ens,
 Quiv-er and die, quiv-er and die, . . and die.
pp Quiv-er and die, and die.

10

be hush'd: can it be? What sol-dier comes hi-ther so

cres. accel.

sf *accel.*

11

dread-ful to see? By the ar-mour I know him, the

p cres. sempre accel.

sf *sempre accel.*

torc, and the ring,

cres.

pp. *sf* *pp.*

allargando.

And the dra - gon of gold,— 'tis my fa - ther, the

colla parte.

12

Presto.

(Enter Caractacus and remnant of British Soldiery in disorder.)

King.

Presto. $\text{♩} = 120$.

f $\geq$ *p* con fuoco. *cres. molto.*

Ped.

CHORUS.
TENOR.

BASS.

13

marcato.

**We
marcato.**

13

13

by the river, In a deep _____ and

by the river, In a deep . . . and

hid - den glen,

hid - den glen,

Sea.....

sonore.

14

Sword and spear and bow and quiv - er, Many a my . .

Sword and spear and bow and quiv - er, Many a my . .

14

crea. *ff* $\wedge$

crea. *ff* $\wedge$

af *ff*

- riad gal - lant men:

- riad gal - lant men:

Sea.....

p

15 *p* *cres.* In our front the bat - tle splen - did Of the foe up -

p *cres.* In our front the bat - tle splen - did Of the foe up -

15 *p* *cres.* *tr.* *ff* *p* *tr.*

- on the plain, Wide . . . its i - ron ranks ex -

- on the plain, Wide . . . its i - ron ranks ex -

tr. *p* *cres. molto.*

- tend - ed, When we burst . . . on him . . . a -

- tend - ed, When we burst . . . on him . . . a -

fff *ff*

16 *risoluto.* - main ; And the roll . . . of

- main ; 16, *ff* *dim.* *p*

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cres. cars was sound - ing, And the

f risoluto. And the clash . . . of shields re - sound - ing,

cres.

hiss . . . of ja v'lins fall . . . ing,

f sf And the clang

And the clang of trum - pets

of trum - - pets call - ing, of trum - pets

call - - - - - ing, the clang,

call - ing, the clang,

17

Ped.

... the clang of trum - pets, clang of

... the clang of trum - pets, clang of

Sea

*

trum - pets call - - - - - ing,

trum - pets call - - - - - ing,

Ped.

*

sostenuto.

And all day . . . the night . . . y

sostenuto.

And all day . . . the night . . . y

18

ff grandioso.

Ped.

*

bat - tle O'er . . . the blood - y

bat - tle O'er . . . the blood - y

Ped.

19

mea - dows . . . spread, . . . While we

mea - dows . . . spread, . . . While we

19

8va

ff

Ped.

fell . . . like but - - cher'd cat - tle . .

fell . . . like but - - cher'd cat - tle . .

Sca

Till . . . the liv - ing . . trod . . . the

Till . . . the liv - ing . . trod . . . the

pp

dead; . . . And our arms were

dead; . . . And our arms were

20

fp

faint and fail - - ing, We were
faint and fail - - ing, We were

dim.

dy - - ing with the day,
faint and fail ing,
dy - - ing with the day,

pp *tr* *cres.*

When at
When at last . . . the foe pre - -

cres. *tr* *cres.*

stringendo.

last . . . the foe pre - vail - ing Swept,
 vail . . . ing Swept, ah!

swept, ah! swept our ranks a -
 swept our ranks a - way,

way, swept our ranks, . . . our
 swept our ranks, swept our

ranks . . . a - way, a -
 ranks a - way, our

f *ff* *stringendo.* *ff* *stringendo.* *ff* *stringendo.* *fff* *stringendo.* *fff* *stringendo.* *fff* *stringendo.*

poco a poco meno mosso.

- way, We were

poco a poco meno mosso.

ranks a way,

22

p poco a poco meno mosso.

dim. *pp*

dy . . . ing with . . . the day,

pp

Our arms were faint,

pp

23

Tranquillo, più lento.

rit. *pp*

Our arms . . . were faint and fail . . .

rit. *pp*

our arms . . . were faint and fail . . .

23 *Tranquillo, più lento.*

dim. *rit.* *pp*

Pod. *Pea.* *

ing, We were dy

ing, We were dy

Ped. * *Ped.* * *Ped.* *

dim. *rall. sempre.* dy ing

dim. *rall. sempre.* dy ing

rall. *poco* a .

Ped. * *Ped.* * *Ped.* * *Ped.* *

dim. with the day, were dy ing with the

dim. with the day, were dy ing with the

poco al

* *p.*

24 *Molto maestoso.* $\text{♩} = 56$.
 CARACTACUS. *molto espress.*

LAMENT.



CHORUS.
 SOPRANO.

ALTO.

TENOR.

ppp

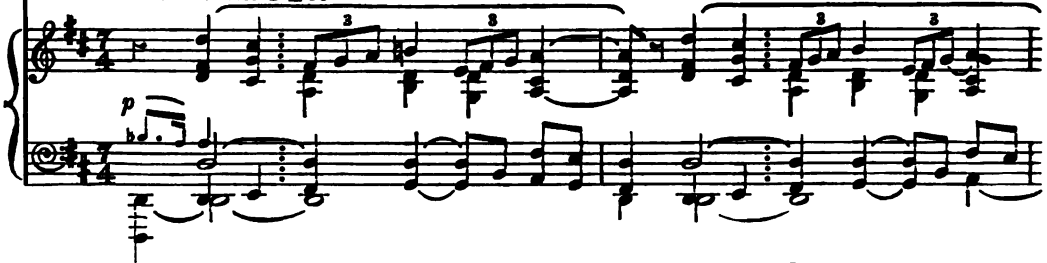
day.

BASS.

ppp

day.

24 *Molto maestoso.* $\text{♩} = 56$.



* This division is made for convenience only : there should be no accent, however, on the fourth crotchet.

... O my war - ri - ors!

O ye war - riors, dead . .

O ye war - riors, dead . .

O ye war - riors, dead . .

O ye war - riors, . . dead

p *f* *p* *Ped.* *

pp Speak, ah! speak, be-lov - ed voi-ces, From the cham - bers where . . ye

war - ri - ors,

pp war - ri - ors,

pp war - ri - ors,

pp war - ri - ors,

ppp *dolce.*

Ped. *

feast, Where the war god stern re - joi - ces That his host has been in -

Speak, speak, speak, ah! . . . speak,

Speak, speak, speak, ah! . . . speak,

Speak, speak, speak, ah! . . . speak,

Speak, speak, speak, ah! . . . speak,

25

semplice.

pp

p ma marcato.

- creas'd, Say that first I clove the le - gions Where the

From the cham - bers where ye feast,

From the cham - bers where ye feast,

From the cham - bers where ye feast.

Speak, From the cham - bers where ye feast,

pp *fp*

gold - en eagle flew O'er the head . . to whom al - le - giance From the Roman

cres. *cres.*

26

foe was due; . . . Say, too, when the fight was end - ing,

Speak, . . . ah! speak, O ye

Speak, be - lov - ed voi - ces, speak, O ye

Speak, be - lov - ed voi - ces, speak, O ye

Speak, be - lov - ed voi - ces, speak, O ye

f *p* *pp* *p* *pp* *p* *pp*

f *p* *f*

Ped. *con Ped.*

dim. That with glaz-ing eyes ye saw . . . Me, my qui-v'ring ranks de -

war - riors, . . . O ye war - riors, . . .

war - riors, . . . O ye war - riors, . . .

war - riors, . . . O ye war - riors, . . .

war - riors, . . . O ye war - riors, . . .

pp

cres. - fend - ing, my qui-v'ring ranks de - fend - ing From the greed-y Ro - man

speak, ah! . . . speak.

speak, ah! . . . speak.

speak, ah! . . . speak.

speak, ah! . . . speak.

cres.

maw; And the god shall give you heed - ing. . .
p molto cres. sf
 Speak, be - lov - ed voi - ces, speak,
p molto cres. sf
 Speak, be - lov - ed voi - ces, speak,
p molto cres. sf
 Speak, be - lov - ed voi - ces, speak, And the
p.
 Speak, be - lov - ed voi - ces, speak, And the

27

con Ped.

And a - cross the heav'n - ly plain, . . . He shall smile, . . . and see me leading .
p
 And the god shall give you heeding, And a - cross the heav'n - ly
p
 And the god shall give you heeding, And a - cross the heav'n - ly
p
 god shall give you heeding, And a - cross the heav'n - ly plain, See .
p
 god shall give you heeding, And a - cross the heav'n - ly plain,

8283.

rit. *ff* *28*

My dead war - riors once a - gain ! . . .

p rit. *a tempo.* *f*

plain, See . . . the King lead -

rit. *a tempo.* *ff*

plain, See the King, . . . the King he - ro - ic lead - ing His dead

rit. *a tempo.* *ff*

the King, the King he - ro - ic lead - ing His dead

p rit. *a tempo.* *ff*

See the King lead - ing His dead war - riors, lead - ing,

28

colla parte. *a tempo.* *p* *fff*

dim. *rit.* *ppp*

ing His dead . . war - riors once a - gain ! . . .

rit. *p* *ppp*

war - riors once a - gain ! . . .

p *rit.* *ppp*

war - riors once a - gain ! . . .

3 *3* *p* *rit.* *ppp*

leading his dead warriors once a - gain, once . . a - gain ! . . .

p *3* *3* *rit. e dim.* *3* *3* *ppp*

SCENE V.

THE SEVERN.

*British captives embarking on the Roman galleys.**Andante, mesto. ♩ = 50.*

PIANO. *p* *cres.* *rit. pp*

1

Moderato.

CHORUS. DRUID MAIDENS. SOPRANO.

*pp*Cap-tive Brit - ons,
1st CONTRALTO.

2nd CONTRALTO.

Moderato. ♩ = 60.

mf *dim.* *pp*

*Ped. * Ped. * Ped. * Ped. * Ped. **

1

see . . . them! Hark To their tears

as they em -

pp *dim.*

*Ped. * Ped. * Ped. **

A BARD. *p* *espress.*

Fet - - ter'd, wea - - ry,

- bark!

dim.

Cap - - tive Brit - ons, cap - tive Brit - - - ons,

dim.

Cap - - tive Brit - ons, cap - tive Brit - - - ons,

2

Sea.

pp

Ped.

* Ped.

worn,

and white,

Sun of Brit - - ain,

Ped.

*

Ped.

*

Ped.

*

Ped.

*

pp *da*

shun the sight!

pp

Heav'n's of Brit - ain,

pp

Heav'n's of

pp

Heav'n's of

ppp

Ped. * *Ped.* * *Ped.* *

poco cres. *dim.* *pp*

weep . . in rain; They shall ne'er re - turn, ne'er re - turn a -

poco cres. *dim.* *pp*

Brit-ain, weep . . in rain, weep . . in rain; They shall ne'er re -

poco cres. *dim.* *pp*

Brit-ain, weep . in rain, weep . . in rain; They shall ne'er re -

Ped. * *Ped.* * *Ped.* * *Ped.* * *Ped.* *

4

*espress.
f.e.*

Lap their bark with sob and sigh,
gain! Lap their bark with sob and
turn! Lap their bark with sob and
turn! Lap their bark with sob and

mf

Ped. * *Ped.* * *Ped.* * *Ped.* *

Som - - bre Ha - bren swirl - ing by;
sigh, Som - - bre Ha - bren swirl - ing
sigh, Som - - bre Ha - bren swirl - ing
sigh, Som - - bre Ha - bren swirl - ing

mf

Ped. * *Ped.* * *Ped.* * *Ped.* *

largamente. *rit. e cres. molto.* *5* *ff a tempo.*

For .. they nev-er more shall see Brit-ish heav'n, or land, or thee,

largamente. *rit. e cres. molto.* *ff a tempo.*

by; For they nev-er more shall see Brit-ish heav'n, or land, or thee,

largamente. *rit. e cres. molto.* *ff a tempo.*

by; For they nev-er more shall see Brit-ish heav'n, or land, or thee,

largamente. *rit. e cres. molto.* *a tempo.*

by; For they nev-er more shall see Brit-ish heav'n, or land, or thee,

5 *8va* *p* *rit.* *f a tempo.* *dim.* *Ped.* *

p *dim. e rit.*

nev - er more shall see Brit - ish heav'n, or

p *dim. e rit.*

nev - er more shall see Brit - ish heav'n, or

p *dim. e rit.*

nev - er more shall see Brit - ish heav'n, or

p *dim. e rit.*

nev - er more shall see Brit - ish heav'n, or

p *dim.* *pp rit.* *Ped.* *

6

Brit - ish land, or thee.

land, . . . or thee.

land, or thee.

land, or thee.

6

ppp a tempo, più lento.

cres.

7

8va

mf

*Ped. * Ped. * Ped. * Ped.*

poco animato.

*Ped. * Ped. * Ped. * Ped.*

First system of musical notation. The right hand features a melodic line with a triplet of eighth notes. The left hand plays a steady eighth-note accompaniment. Pedal markings are present below the left hand. The system concludes with the instruction *animato.*

Second system of musical notation. The right hand continues the melodic line. Pedal markings are present below the left hand. The system concludes with the instruction *Sua*.

Third system of musical notation. The right hand continues the melodic line. Pedal markings are present below the left hand. The system concludes with the instruction *Sua*.

Fourth system of musical notation. The right hand begins with a measure marked with a fermata and the instruction *accol.*. The left hand has a measure marked *mf cres.*. The system concludes with the instruction *f*.

Fifth system of musical notation. The right hand continues the melodic line. Pedal markings are present below the left hand. The system concludes with the instruction *Ped.*

SCENE VI.

ROME. THE TRIUMPHAL PROCESSION.

Allegro maestoso. ♩ = 108.

ten.

PIANO.

f

sf

marcatissimo.

ffz

tr

1

2

Più animato.

sf p

sf p

sf p crea.

ff

The musical score is written for piano and consists of five systems. The first system is marked 'Allegro maestoso. ♩ = 108.' and 'ten.' (tutti). It begins with a piano (PIANO.) instruction and a forte (f) dynamic. The music features complex rhythmic patterns with triplets and sixteenth notes. The second system continues with a fortissimo (ffz) dynamic and includes a trill (tr). The third system is marked 'marcatissimo.' and features a first ending bracket. The fourth system continues with a fortissimo (ffz) dynamic. The fifth system is marked '2 Più animato.' and includes dynamics such as sf p, sf p crea., and ff. The score is written in 4/8 time and includes various musical notations such as accents, slurs, and fingerings.

First system of musical notation. The right hand features a complex, rapid passage with many beamed sixteenth and thirty-second notes. The left hand plays a more rhythmic accompaniment with eighth and sixteenth notes. Dynamics include *sf*, *p*, and *cres.*

Second system of musical notation. The right hand continues with dense, beamed passages. The left hand has a steady eighth-note accompaniment. Dynamics include *ff*, *f*, *p*, and *sf*.

Third system of musical notation. The right hand has a more melodic line with some grace notes. The left hand continues with eighth-note accompaniment. Dynamics include *sf*, *cres.*, *ff*, and *allargando*.

Fourth system of musical notation. The right hand features a triplet of eighth notes followed by a triplet of sixteenth notes. The left hand has a triplet of eighth notes. Dynamics include *tempo 1mo.*, *ten.*, and *sf*.

Fifth system of musical notation. The right hand has a melodic line with some grace notes. The left hand has a triplet of eighth notes. Dynamics include *ff* and *marcatissimo.*

Sixth system of musical notation. The right hand has a melodic line with some grace notes. The left hand has a triplet of eighth notes. Dynamics include *ff* and *Cantabile e largamente.*



6

CHORUS. BASS. *pomposamente.*

The march . . triumph-al thun-ders . . A-mid the

f *pomposamente.* *sf*

pesante. *V*

CHORUS. TENOR.

7

shout-ing crowd, .. a - mid the shout - ing crowd, With flash . . . of helm and

cors - let, . . . While trumpets scream a - loud, . . . while trumpets scream a - loud ;



cors - let, . . . While trumpets scream a - loud, . . . while trumpets scream a - loud ;

cors - let, . . While trumpets scream a - loud, . . while trumpets scream a - loud ;

8

SOPRANO.

And cym - bals sharp - ly ringing The

ALTO.

And cym - bals sharp - ly ringing The

The car of tri-umph greet,

8

pesante.

car of tri - umph greet, A -

car of tri - umph greet, A -

With the milk - white steeds that draw it A -

9

- long the sa - cred street. With flash . . . of helm and

- long the sa - cred street. With flash . . . of helm and

- long the sa - cred street. With flash . . . of helm and

With flash . . . of helm and

cors - let, . . A-mid the shout-ing crowd, . . a-mid the shout - - - ing

cors - let, . . A-mid the shout-ing crowd, . . a-mid the shout - - - ing

cors - let, . . A-mid the shout-ing crowd, . . a-mid the shout - - - ing

cors - let, . . A-mid the shout-ing crowd, . . a-mid the shout - - - ing

10

crowd.

crowd.

crowd.

crowd.

10

dim.

(Eigen, Orbin and Caractacus pass.)

Poco meno mosso.

p *3* *dim.* *3* *molto cantabile.*

SOPRANOS. *pp*

Be-fore the car how dif-frent they Who bare-foot drag their

ALTOS. *pp*

Be-fore the car how dif-frent they Who bare-foot drag their

11

wea - - ry way,

11

wea - - ry way, *pp* How dif-frent they Who bare-foot

TENORS. *pp*

How dif-frent they Who bare-foot

dim.

drag their wea - - ry way.

dim.

drag their wea - - ry way.

f *f* *p* *molto dim.*

Ped. *

12

pp *alce.*

Ped. * *con Ped.*

cres.

13

f *pp*

Ped. * *Ped.* * *Ped.* * *Ped.* *

dim.

14

tr

pp

tr

tr

p

dim. molto.

15

Più animato.

p

p

Più animato.

p

p

Più animato.

p

p

Piu animato.

16

Tempo 1mo.

p

p

Tempo 1mo.

CHORUS.

The

The

The

The

17

march tri - umph - al thun - ders A - mid the shout - ing

march tri - umph - al thun - ders A - mid the shout - ing

march tri - umph - al thun - ders A - mid the shout - ing

march tri - umph - al thun - ders A - mid the shout - ing

17

crowd, With flash of helm and cors - - let, While trum - pets scream a -

crowd, With flash of helm and cors - - let, While trum - pets scream a -

crowd, With flash of helm and cors - - let, While trum - pets scream a -

crowd, With flash of helm and cors - - let, While trum - pets scream a -

18

largamente e cantabile.

- loud. . . . O - ver the mar-ble pa-lace, O - ver the gold-en shrine, O'er

- loud. . . . O - ver the mar-ble pa-lace, O - ver the golden shrine, O'er

- loud. . . . O - ver the mar-ble pa-lace, O - ver the golden shrine, O'er

- loud. . . . O - ver the mar-ble pa-lace, O - ver the golden shrine, O'er

18

largamente.

- loud. . . . O - ver the mar-ble pa-lace, O - ver the golden shrine, O'er

street . . and square and fo - rum Glar - ing, the noon beams shine ; Wide - ly the robes are wav - ing,

street and fo - rum Glar - ing, the noon - beams shine ; The robes are wav - ing,

street . . and square and fo - rum Glar - ing, the noon beams shine ; Wide - ly the robes are wav - ing,

street . . and fo - rum Glar - ing, the noon - beams shine ; . . The robes are wav - ing,

Bright - ly the jew - els glance, Ea - ger the eyes that light - en Each joy - ous coun - ten -

Bright - ly the jew - els glance, Ea - ger the eyes, the eyes that light - -

Bright - ly the jew - els glance, Ea - ger the eyes that lighten Each joy - ous coun - ten -

Bright - ly the jew - els glance, Ea - ger the eyes, the eyes that light - -

Sea

19

a tempo.

- ance; And cym-bals sharp - - ly ring-ing The

- en; And cym-bals sharp - - ly ring-ing The

- ance; And cym-bals sharp - - ly ring-ing The

- en; And cym-bals sharp - - ly ring-ing The

19 *a tempo.*

cres.

car of tri - - - - umph

cres.

car of tri - - - - umph

cres.

car of tri - - - - umph

cres.

car of tri - - - - umph

cres.

20
Animato.

greet. But hark!

greet. But hark!

greet. But hark!

greet. But hark!

20
Animato.

but hark! a

but hark! a

hark! a

Ped.

shout, a

shout, hark! a shout that shakes the air, a

shout, hark! a shout that shakes the air, a

hark! a shout, a shout that shakes the air,

ff

21

shout . . that shakes . . the air, . . . The Em - per-or

shout . . that shakes . . the air, . . . The Em - per-or

shout, a shout, . . . The Em - per-or

fff

The Em - per-or

21

fff *tutta forza*

Ped.

con Ped.

fills . . . the cu - rule chair; . . The

fills . . . the cu - rule chair; . . The

fills . . . the cu - rule chair; . . The

fills . . . the cu - rule chair; . . The

cap - - tives halt . . . be .

cap - - tives halt . . . be .

cap - - tives halt . . . be .

cap - - tives halt . . . be .

22

- fore. Hark!... a
 - fore. Hark!... but hark!... a
 - fore. Hark! hark! a shout, ... but hark!... a
 - fore. Hark! a shout, hark! a shout, ... but hark!... a

22

shout, The Emp'ror fills the cu-rule chair; . . .
 shout, The Emp'ror fills the cu-rule chair; . . .
 shout, The Emp'ror fills the cu-rule chair; . . .
 shout, The Emp'ror fills the cu-rule chair; . . .

23

CLAUDIUS.

R. MORR.

Un-bind his hands,
Poco più lento.

f a tempo. *p espressa.*

24

f *Maestoso.*

si-lence the trum-pets; plead, Brit-on, if plea can

Animato. ^ *f p* *pp* *colla parte.*

a tempo. *rit.* *accel.*

purge thy crimes a-way, Or turn the doom of ma-ny a bloody deed, . .

a tempo. *sf rit.* *f sf* *accel.* *sf* *sf* *sf*

Lento.

The ling'ring doom that waits on thee to-day.

Lento. *sf p* *dim.*

25

CARACTACUS.

*Molto maestoso.**f* *a tempo.*

Heap tor - ment up - on tor - ment,

Molto maestoso. $\text{♩} = 69.$ *p* *a tempo.*

woe . . . on woe, . . .

Let months and years of an-guish'd

life be mine ;

Tears from these eyes Rome can-not cause to flow,

*colla parte.**a tempo.*

26

accel. e cres.

Nor bend this knee by an - y pow'r . . of thine.

*accel. e cres.**sonore.**molto accel.**ff*

27

rit. *a tempo.* *p*

We liv'd... in peace, ..

p *rit.* *pp a tempo.*

accel. *cres.* *f* *Ritort.*

was that a crime . . to thee, That thy fierce ea - gle stoop'd up-on our

accel. *colla parte.* *p*

28

a tempo.

nest? A free - born chieftain, and a peo - ple free, We

pp a tempo.

rall. *dolce.* *molto espress.* *pp* *rall.*

dwelt . . . a-mong our wood - - lands, our wood - lands, and were

pp rall. *pp colla parte.*

a tempo. *Lento.* *pp*

blest For liber-ty, wives, children, hearth and

a tempo. *Lento.* *ppp*

poco accel. *cres.*

shrine, From sea to plain we fought, from plain . . . to

pp poco accel. *cres.*

30 *Allegro.* *f*

hill, we fought from plain to

Allegro. $\text{♩} = 96.$

dim. *accel.*

hill, Now all is lost, . . . now

f *p* *sonore.* *accel.*

Fed. * *Fed.* *

all is lost, . . . lost, . . . all that was our's is

Ped. * *Ped.* * *Ped.* * *f* *p*

31

thine; My soul a-lone re-mains unshackled still.

dim. *crec.* *pp* *rit.*

Come prima. *f* Do then . . . thy worst on me; *dim.* my peo - ple spare Who

Come prima. ♩ = 69. *Soa.* *sf p*

allargando. fought for free-dom in our land at home; *largamente.* Slaves they are not; be wise and

allargando. *colla parte.*

teach them there Or - der, and law, and lib - er - ty with Rome . . .

rit. molto. *cres.* *f*

ORGIN. *pp* *Piu mosso.*

O for the sword of Brit - ain, and the hills!

Piu mosso. ♩ = 88.

p *rall. dim. molto.* *ppp a tempo.*

ORGIN. *p* *33*

The whis - - - p'ring

O for mine Ei - gen in her wood-land glade,

pp dolce. *Ped.* *

for - - - est by our Ha-bren's side! O for our

Light as the morn - - ing! O for mine

Ped. *

molto espress.

stringendo.

Ha - bren, and her sil - ver rills, Be - fore we lost them would that we had

Ei - gen!

mf

stringendo.

died!

largamente.

ff

rit.

Spare her, Ro - man, spare her, spare, And mea - sure ten - fold tor - ment up - on

colla parte.

34

Allegro di molto.

me.

CHORUS.

f

cres.

Slay,

slay,

f

slay,

cres.

slay,

f

slay the Briton, . .

cres.

slay,

34

Allegro di molto. ♩ = 120. sf

pp

p

cres.

cres.

sf

p

cres.

CLAUDIUS *f*

Cap - tive, dost thou hear?

ff slay the Brit - on.*ff* slay the Brit - on.*ff* slay the Brit - on.*ff* slay the Brit - on.

35

The gods them - selves breathe through a peo - ple's breath;

CHORUS.

f The gods con - demn thee;*ff* Slay, slay the Brit-on.*ff* Slay, slay the Brit-on.*ff* Slay, slay the Brit-on.*ff* Slay, slay the Brit-on.

dost thou learn to fear? How say ye

cres.

pp *cres.*

36

still, Qui - ri - - - - - tes?

CHORUS.

ff Death!

ff Death!

36

pp *sf* *cres.*

ff Death!

ff Death!

death! Slay the Brit - on.

death! Slay the Brit - on.

sf *ff*

CARACTACUS.
Andante.

p

Andante. ♩ = 92.

p dim. pp

I plead not for my - self ; not earth or heav'n Can

rit. espress.

shake a soul like mine pre-par'd for all ; Yet, — yet I plead, I plead that

rit. dim. colla parte.

38

mer - cy may be given To these, these my com - rades of the Roman thrall.

pp

pp

My guile - less daugh - ter and the war-rior bard, Her lov - er, fled from priest - ly

ppp P ppp

p *ten.* *f* *p* *rit.* *pp*

bonds at home, Is there no grace for them, and is it hard To win so lit-tle

cres. *colla parte.* *dim.* *rit.*

39 *Allegro.*

ORBIN. *parlando.*

p

Plead not for me, I will not quit thy side;

from Im-pe-rial Rome?

39 *Allegro.* $\text{♩} = 108.$

pp *rit.* *pp*

EIGEN. *parlando.*

legato. *espress.*

Plead not for me, King's child, and

But plead for Ei-gen while thy breath en-dures:

40

Allegro molto.

accel.

Or-bin's bride, Yours be my fate, as 'all my life was yours.

Allegro molto. $\text{♩} = 138.$ *pp* *cres.*

accel.

CHORUS.

f Slay them! *ff* slay the Brit - ons,

Slay them! slay the Brit - ons,

f Slay them! *ff* slay the Brit - ons,

f Slay! slay them! *ff* slay the Brit - ons,

sf slay! slay them! slay the

sf slay! slay them! slay the

sf slay! slay, slay . . them! slay . .

sf slay! slay, slay . . them! slay . . them!

marcatissimo.

Brit - ons, slay . . . them! slay!

Brit - ons, slay . . . them! slay!

. . . them! slay . . . the Brit - ons, slay them! slay! slay!

slay them! slay the Brit - ons, slay them! slay! slay!

fff

slay them! slay!

slay them! slay!

slay them! slay!

slay them! slay!

dim.

42

CLAUDIUS.
L'interesso tempo.

f By the gods they shall not die; . . . Their blood would curse the

L'interesso tempo.

pp

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ground to which it grew. . . . We

f

3

3

3

3

rit.

Maestoso.

grant . . you grace; young war - rior, clasp thy bride, clasp thy

dim. e rit.

colla parte.

p *pp*

dim. e rit.

44

Andantino.
Espr.

ORBIN. Grace . . . from the Ro - man!

pp

CLAUDIUS. *Quasi Recit. sempre mf* Grace . . . from the Ro - man! peace . .

bride; Brave chief - tain, all thy suf-f'rings are o'er;

44 *Andantino.* $\text{♩} = 100.$

pp *espress.*

peace . . . and rest, Free - - - dom is

cres.

cres.

. . . and rest . . are . . ours, Free - - - dom is

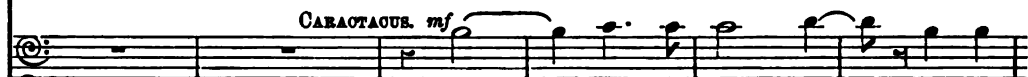
Dwell here in Rome, and by the Em - per-or's side Find . . safe - ty,



lost, but rest and peace re - main ;



lost, but rest and peace, rest . . . and peace re - main, but



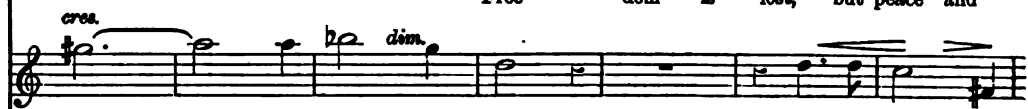
Grace . . from the Ro - man! . . peace and



peace, and rest for ev - er - more.



Free - dom is lost, but peace and



peace . . . and rest are ours,

peace and rest are



rest are ours,

Free-dom is lost, but rest . . .

and peace are



Dwell here, . . . dwell here in



dim.

rest . . are ours ; . .

ours, Free - dom is lost, but peace and

ours,

Rome,

dolciss.

46

pp

Brit - ain, fare-well ! thro' all the lin - - g'ring

rest . . are ours. Brit - ain, fare-well ! thro' all the lin - - g'ring

Free - dom is lost, but rest and peace are ours, thro' all the lin - - g'ring

pp

dwell here in Rome, and by the Em - per-or's

46

hours, . . Hope, mem-'ry, love shall hide our gold - - en chain, shall

hours, Hope, mem - 'ry, love shall hide our gold - en chain, shall

hours, Hope, mem - 'ry, love shall hide our gold - en chain, shall

side, Find safe - ty, peace, and rest for ev - er - more, find

p

47 *dim.* *pp* *dim.*

hide .. our gold - en chain, our gold - en chain,

hide our . . gold - en chain, . . our gold - en chain,

dim. *pp* *dim.*

hide our gold - en chain, our . . gold - en chain,

pp *dim.*

safe - ty, peace, and rest for ev - er - more,

47

ppp *ppp*

48

Thro' all the lin - g'ring

pp

Free-dom is lost, .. but peace and rest remain,

pp

Freedom is lost, .. but peace and rest re - main,

p

Brave chieftain, all . . thy

48

pp

hours, Hope, . . mem - 'ry, love, shall . . hide . . . our

Brit - ain fare - well, fare - well! thro' all the lin - g'ring hours, Hope,

Thro' all the lin - g'ring hours, Hope, mem - 'ry, love shall hide our

suf - f'rings now are o'er; Dwell here in Rome, and by the Em - per - or's side Find

cres. molto. *ff allargando.*

gold . . . en chain, hope, mem - 'ry shall

cres. molto. *ff allargando.* *pp*

love, shall hide our gold - en, gold - en chain, love shall

cres. molto. *ff allargando.* *p.* *pp*

gold - en chain, our gold - en chain, love . . shall

cres. molto. *ff allargando.*

safe - ty, peace, and rest, find safe - ty, peace, and

cres. molto. *allargando.* *f* *dim.*

49

hide . . our gold - en chain, love . . shall hide . . our

hide our gold - en chain, love shall hide, . . shall hide . . our

hide our gold - en chain, love shall hide, . . shall hide . . our

rest for ev - er - more, peace and rest for

dim. *p rall. al fine.* *dim.* *dim.* *dim.* *dim.* *dim.* *dim.* *dim.* *dim.*

8va *pp rall. al fine.*

gold - en chain.

gold - en chain.

gold - en chain.

gold - en chain.

ev - er - more.

ppp *rit. molto.* *ppp*

Ped. ** Ped.*

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*Allegro.*CHORUS.
SOPRANO.

The clang of arms is o - ver, A - bide in peace, and

ALTO.

The clang of arms is o - ver, A - bide in peace, and

TENOR.

The clang of arms is o - ver, A - bide in peace, and

BASS.

The clang of arms is o - ver, A - bide in peace, and

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Allegro. ♩ = 120.*pp*

8va

*pp**fp**fp**cres.*

brood

On glo - rious a - ges com - ing, And Kings of Brit - ish

cres.

brood

On glo - rious a - ges com - ing, And Kings of Brit - ish

cres.

brood

On glo - rious a - ges com - ing, And Kings of Brit - ish

cres.

brood

On glo - rious a - ges com - ing, And Kings of Brit - ish

cres.

51

cres.*cres.**cres.**cres.*

51



dim.

crum- bled in- to clay; . .

dim.

The ea - gle's flight is end - ed, His

dim. *mf* *dim.* *p*

crum- bled in- to clay; . . The ea - gle's flight is end - ed, His

52

f

The oak has grown and

f

wea - ry wings are furl'd; . . The oak has grown and

f

wea - ry wings are furl'd; . . The oak has grown and

f

The oak has grown and

p *f*

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Allargando.

sha-dow'd . . The shores of all the world: . . .

sha-dow'd . . The shores of all the world: . . .

sha-dow'd . . The shores of all the world: . . .

sha-dow'd . . The shores of all the world: . . .

Allargando.

cres - tr - cen - do.

Ped.

fff a tempo.

Brit - ons, . . . a - lert! . . . and

fff a tempo.

Brit - ons, . . . a - lert! . . . and

fff a tempo.

Brit - ons, . . . a - lert! . . . and

fff a tempo.

Brit - ons, . . . a - lert! . . . and

fff a tempo.

rf

54

fear not, Though round your path of pow'r, Op -
 fear not, Though round your path of pow'r, Op -
 fear not, Though round your path of pow'r, Op -
 54 fear not, Though round your path of pow'r, Op -

tutta forza.

pos - ing co - horts ga - ther, And
 pos - ing co - horts ga - ther, And
 pos - ing co - horts ga - ther, And
 pos - ing co - horts ga - ther, And

jea - lous ty - rants low'r;
 jea - lous ty - rants low'r;
 jea - lous ty - rants low'r;
 jea - lous ty - rants low'r;

55

On— . . though the world de sert you, On— so your cause be right;

On— . . though the world de - sert you, On— so your cause be right;

On— . . though the world de - sert you, On— so your cause be

On— . . though the world de - sert you, On— so your cause be

55

ff

56

a tempo.

Britons, a - lert! . . . and fear not, . . . But

Britons, a - lert! . . . and fear not, . . . But

right; and fear not, . . . But

right; and fear not, . . . But

56

a tempo.

ff *fff tr*

gird, gird your loins for . . . fight. And

gird, gird your loins for fight.

gird, gird your loins for fight.

gird, gird your loins for fight.

ff *dim.* *p*

Ped.

ev - er your do - min - ion From age to age shall grow O'er

And ev - er your do - min - ion From age to age, from

O'er

O'er

molto sostenuto.

peo - ples un - dis - cov - er'd, In lands we can - not know; And

age to age shall grow In lands we can - not know; And

peo - ples un - dis - cov - er'd, In lands we can - not know; And

peo - ples un - dis - cov - er'd, In lands we can - not know; And

57

dolce. where the flag of Brit - ain Its tri - ple cross - es rears, No slave shall be for

dolce. where the flag of Brit - ain Its tri - ple cross - es rears, No slave, no

dolce. where the flag of Brit - ain Its tri - ple cross - es rears,

dolce. where the flag of Brit - ain Its tri - ple cross - es rears, And

legato e sostenuto.

legato e sostenuto.

p legato

pp *pp molto legato e sostenuto.*

sub - ject, No tro - - phy wet with tears, . . no tro - phy
legato e sostenuto.
 slave shall be for sub - ject, no slave shall be, no
legato e sostenuto.
 No slave . . shall be for sub - ject,
e sostenuto.
 where the flag . . of Brit - ain Its tri - ple cross - es rears, No

58

wet with tears, no tro - phy wet with tears; But,
 slave shall be for sub - ject, But folk shall bless the ban - ner, And
 No tro - phy wet with tears, . . But folk shall bless, shall
 slave shall be for sub - ject, No tro - phy wet with

58

folk shall bless the ban - ner, And bless the cross - es twin'd,
 bless, . . and bless the cross - es twin'd, That bear the gift of
 bless the ban - ner, . . And bless the cross - es twin'd, That bear the
 tears ; But folk shall bless . . the cross - es twin'd, That bear the gift of

That bear the gift . . of free - dom, of free - dom, On
 free - dom, that bear . . the gift of . . free - dom On
 gift, the gift of free - - - - dom On ev - - 'ry
 free - - dom, the gift of free - dom On . .

ev - 'ry blow - ing wind;
 ev - 'ry blow - ing wind;
 blow - ing wind; . . Nor shall her might dim - in - ish While
 ev - 'ry blow - ing wind; . . Nor shall her might dim - in - ish

60

Ped.

f.
 And
 Of e - qual law to all men— And
 firm . . she holds the faith Of e - qual law to all men— And
 While firm she holds the faith Of e - qual law to all men— And

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holds it to the death;

holds it to the death;

holds it to the death;

holds it to the death;

61

Grandioso. [^]

For all the world shall learn it— Though long the task shall

For all the world shall learn it— Though long the task shall

For all the world shall learn it— Though long the task shall

For all the world shall learn it— Though long the task shall

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Grandioso. [^]

For all the world shall learn it— Though long the task shall

62

be— The text of Brit - ain's teach - ing, The mes - sage of the free; And

be— The text of Brit - ain's teach - ing, The mes - sage of the free; And

be— . . The text of Brit - ain's teach - ing, The mes - sage of the free; And

be— . . The text of Brit - ain's teach - ing, The mes - sage of the free; And

Ped. *

62

allargando. ten. sf sf rit.

when at last they find it, The na - tions all shall stand And

allargando. ten. sf sf rit.

when at last they find it, The na - tions all shall stand And

allargando. ten. sf sf rit.

when at last they find it, The na - tions all shall stand And

allargando. ten. sf sf rit.

when at last they find it, The na - tions all shall stand

rf allargando. ten. sf sf rit.

63

sostenuto.

hymn the praise of Brit - ain, . . the praise of

sostenuto.

hymn . . the praise, the praise of Brit - ain, and hymn the praise of

sostenuto.

hymn . . the praise, the praise of Brit - ain, . . and

ff $\wedge$

Hymn the praise of

63

*sostenuto.**ff*

sostenuto.

ff

64

Brit - ain, . . . Like

Brit - ain, and hymn, and hymn the praise of Brit - ain, the

hymn . . the praise, and hymn the praise of Brit - ain, and

Brit - ain, . . . and

64

ff

cres. al fine.

bro - - - - - thers,— hand in

cres.

praise, . . . Like bro - - - thers,— hand . . in . .

cres.

hymn the praise of Brit - ain, Like . . . bro - thers,— hand in

cres.

hymn the praise of Brit - ain, Like . . . bro - thers,— hand in

Sea

Lento.

hand.

hand.

hand.

hand.

Sea

Lento.

a tempo.

Ped.