

TO CHRISTINA.



THE IMMORTAL HOUR

Music-Drama

by

RUTLAND BOUGHTON,

The Libretto being Adapted
FROM
THE PLAY AND POEMS
of
FIONA MACLEOD

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DALUA	RUTLAND BOUGHTON
ETAIN	IPENE LEMON
FOCHAIDH	FREDERIC AUSTIN
SPIRIT VOICE	MURIEL BOUGHTON
MANUS	NEVILLE STRUTT
MAIVE	AGNES THOMAS
OLD BARD	ARTHUR TROWBRIDGE
MIDIR	ARTHUR JORDAN
CHORUS OF DRUIDS AND WARRIORS	THE WOOKEY HOLE MALE VOICE CHOIR

Conductor: CHARLES KENNEDY SCOTT

Costumes: CHRISTINA WALSH.

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Scene — A forest. A pool in the background. During the first part of the scene (as far as page 38) there is a continuous ballet of tree-spirits.

Slow. Clar.

always pp Strings.

1

Dalua is seen — weary and painful, a strange creature of faery — The Lord of Shadow.

mf *p* *p* *dim.*

Solo Fl.

2

DAL.

DALUA.

By dim moon-glimmering coasts and sad seawastes of

dim. ppp rit.

DAL.

thistle-gathered shingle, and sea-murmuring woods, Trod once, but now

3

DAL.

un-trod Un-der grey skies that have the grey wave

ppp

DAL.

sigh-ing in their sails, And in their droop-ing sails the grey sea -

DAL. - ebb And with the grey wind wail - ing

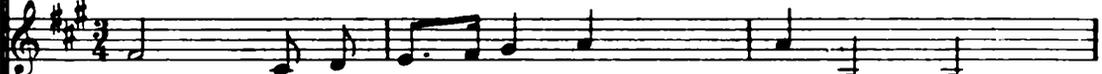
DAL. ev - er - more Blow - ing the dun - leaf from the

DAL. black - en - ing trees I have tra - velled from

4
DAL. one darkness to an - oth - er. Fl. with chorus far off.

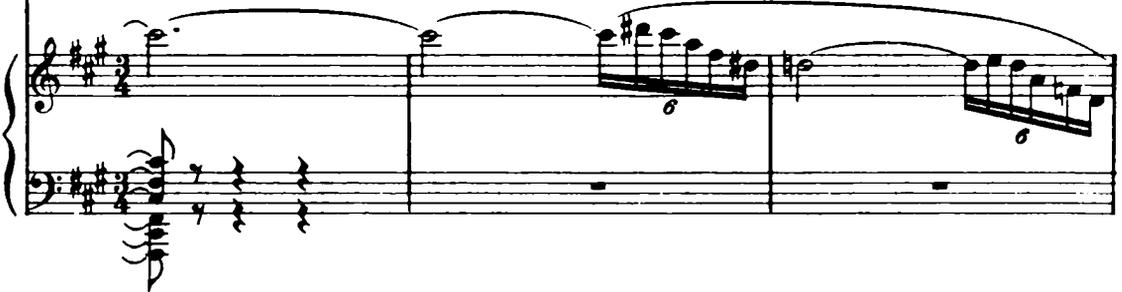
CHORUS OF UNSEEN SPIRITS.

SOP.  Though you have tra - velled from one dark - ness

ALTO.  Though you have tra - velled from one dark - ness

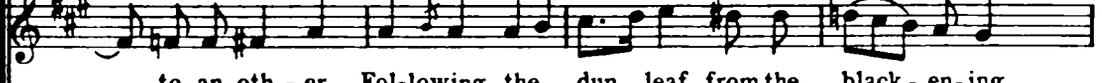
TEN.  Though you have tra - velled from one dark - ness

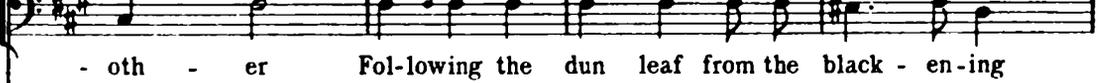
BASS.  Though you have tra - velled from one darkness to an -



SOP.  — to an-oth - er Fol - lowing the dun_ leaf from the black - en - ing

ALTO.  — to an-oth - er Fol - lowing the dun_ leaf from the black - en - ing

TEN.  — to an-oth - er Fol - lowing the dun_ leaf from the black - en - ing

BASS.  - oth - er Fol - lowing the dun leaf from the black - en - ing



5

SOP
trees_ that the dun_ wind_ har - ries And have

ALTO
trees that the dun_ wind_ har - ries And have

TEN.
trees_ that the dun_ wind_ har - ries And have

BASS
trees that the dun_ wind_ har - ries And have

SOP
trod-den the woods where the grey hood-ed crows, that once were

ALTO
trod-den the woods where the grey hood-ed crows, that once were

TEN
trod-den the woods where the grey hood-ed crows, that once were

BASS
trod-den the woods where the grey hood-ed crows, that once were

SOP. men, ga-ther in mul-ti-tude from the long grey wastes of

ALTO men, ga-ther in mul-ti-tude from the long grey wastes of

TEN. men, ga-ther in mul-ti-tude from the long grey wastes of

BASS men, ga-ther in mul-ti-tude from the long grey wastes of

6

SOP. this-tled shingle, By sea - murmurous coasts Yet you have

ALTO this-tled shingle, By sea - murmurous coasts Yet you have

TEN. this-tled shingle, By sea - murmurous coasts Yet you have

BASS this-tled shingle, By sea - murmurous coasts Yet you have

SOP. come no fur - ther than a rood A *p*

ALTO come no fur - ther than a rood A *p*

TEN. come no fur - ther than a rood A *p*

BASS come no fur - ther than a rood A *p*

The piano accompaniment consists of three measures of music in the right hand, each featuring a triplet of eighth notes, with the left hand playing a simple bass line.

SOP. lit - tle rood of ground in a cir - cle wov - en

ALTO lit - tle rood of ground in a cir - cle wov - en

TEN. lit - tle rood of ground in a cir - cle wov - en

BASS lit - tle rood of ground in a cir - cle wov - en

The piano accompaniment consists of three measures of music in the right hand, each featuring a triplet of eighth notes, with the left hand playing a simple bass line.

DALUA. 7

DAL To the world's end have I come to the

pp *mf*

DAL world's end

CHO. SPIRITS. You have come but a

Fl. *f* *p* *pp*

CHO. lit - tle way who think so far the

8

CHO. long un - count - ed leagues to the world's

This system contains the first two staves of music. The top staff is for the choir (CHO.) with lyrics 'long un - count - ed leagues to the world's'. The bottom staff is for the piano accompaniment, featuring a complex melodic line with many beamed notes and slurs.

CHO. end. And now you are mazed be - cause you stand

This system contains the next two staves of music. The top staff is for the choir (CHO.) with lyrics 'end. And now you are mazed be - cause you stand'. The piano accompaniment continues with similar complex melodic patterns.

CHO. at the edge where the last tan - gled slope where the last

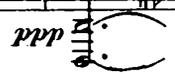
This system contains the third and fourth staves of music. The top staff is for the choir (CHO.) with lyrics 'at the edge where the last tan - gled slope where the last'. The piano accompaniment features a more active melodic line.

9

CHO. leans o - ver the a - byss. (ss)* slope leans o'er

This system contains the final two staves of music. The top staff is for the choir (CHO.) with lyrics 'leans o - ver the a - byss. (ss)* slope leans o'er'. The piano accompaniment concludes with a final melodic flourish.

* prolonged hiss.



DALUA.

DAL. *pp* *fpp* *fpp* *pp*

Yeknownotwholam Sombreadandancientvoices

DAL. *ppp*

And if I tread the long continuousway with-in a narrowround, Not

(pizz)

10

DAL.

thinking it long And fare a sin-gle hour, - think-ing it -

DAL. *rit.* *allargando*

ma - ny days, I am not first or last of the Immortal clan For *broaden*

11

DAL. whom the long ways of the world are brief, and the short ways hea- vy with

DAL. un - i - mag - ined time.

CHO. There is no first or last or

SPIRITS. *mf*

12

CHO. a - ny end.

Quick

pp

DALUA.

I have come hith-er, led by dreams and vis-ions And know not

13

DAL. why I come and to what end And

Quicker.

DAL. where - fore 'mid the noise of chariot wheels - Where the

DAL. swung world roars down the star - ry

14

Broad.

DAL. *ways The voice I knew and*

cresc. mf marcato f dim.

DAL. *dread was one with me as the up - lift - ed*

p dim. loco

DAL. *grain and wind are*

pp accel.

15

Quick.

DAL. *one.*

mf sf

SPIRITS.

CHO. A - bove you is the light of a wan - d'ring

16

star

cillo

CHO. O Son of the wan - d'ring star, we know you

CHO

now.

17 DALUA.

Like great black birds the

DAL.

de - mons haunt the woods

ff *tense*

DAL.

Hail ye un - known who know me

18

A VOICE. (*unexpectedly near*)

Hail, — Son of Sha - dow.

fpp

ppp

19

Flute.

SPIRITS.

SOP. Hail — Bro - ther of the strong - im - mor - tal

ALTO Hail — Bro - ther of the strong im - mor - tal

TEN. Hail — Bro - ther of the strong im - mor - tal

BASS Hail — Bro - ther of the strong im - mor - tal

20

SOP. *dim.*
gods _____ And of the gods _____ who have

ALTO. *dim.*
gods _____ And of the gods _____ who have

TEN. *dim.*
gods _____ And of the gods _____ who have

BASS. *dim.*
gods _____ And of the gods _____ who have

SOP. *p*
passed _____ in - to sleep _____

ALTO. *p*
passed _____ in - to sleep _____ In

TEN. *p*
passed _____ in - to sleep _____ In

BASS. *p*
passed _____ in - to sleep _____ In

SOP.

ALTO

TEN.

BASS.

sound - less hol - lows of for - got - ten hills

sound - less hol - lows of for - got - ten hills

sound - less hol - lows of for - got - ten hills

dim. *pp*

dim. *pp*

dim. *pp*

21

SOP.

ALTO

TEN.

BASS

And of the home - less sad be - wil - der'd gods, who as

And of the home - less sad be - wil - der'd gods, who as

And of the home - less sad be - wil - der'd gods, who as

And of the home - less sad be - wil - der'd gods, who as

p *pp*

p *mf*

p

p

SOP. grey _____ mist _____ as grey _____

ALTO. grey wan - d'ring mist lick't up of the

TEN. grey wan - d'ring mist lick't up of the

BASS. grey wan - d'ring mist lick't up of the

22

SOP. *dim.* mist pass _____ slow - ly

ALTO. *dim.* wind pass _____ slow - ly in the

TEN. *dim.* wind pass _____ slow - ly in the

BASS. *dim.* wind pass _____ slow - ly

SOP. *p dim.*
of the
p dim.

VIO. dull un - friend - ly light of the

TEN. dull un - friend - ly light

BASS m

SOP. cold cur-ious gaze of en - vious men. *pp*

ALTO. cold cur-ious gaze of en - vious men. *pp*

TEN. m

BASS

23 Slow.
DALUA.

I am old — more old, more an - cient — than the Gods For

Slower.
DAL. I am the Son of Sha - dow — eld - est god who dreamed the passionate and

24

DAL. ter - ri - ble dreams we call Fire and Light Wa - ter and Wind,

DAL. Air Dark - ness Death — change and De - cay — and Birth and

broad

DAL. all the in-fi-nite bit-ter range that is

accel.

25

THE NEAR VOICE.

Bro-ther and kin to all the twi - lit gods Liv-ing for- got long

ppp

26

dead.

ppp *cresc.* *e* *accel.* *molto*

Sad sha-dow of pale hopes, for - got - ten dreams, and

pp

27

mad - ness_ of men's minds

accel. molto

mf

Out - cast among the gods, and called the Fool

mf *rit.* *accel.*

28

Yet dread - ed even by those im - mor - tal

pp

eyes, because thy fateful touch can wreck the mind

f

29

Or lay a frost of si - lence

p

on the heart Da - lu - a hail.

f

30 *(from another direction)*

CHO. CHORUS OF VOICES. *(from one direction)* Da - lu - a,

Da - lu - a, hail!

31 *(at a great distance)*

CHO. hail Hail! Hail!

(afar) Hail! Hail!

CHORUS OF SPIRITS.

SOP. ALTO TEN. BASS.

in time Ha, ha, ha, ha

rit. *a tempo*

SOP. Ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha,

ALTO Ha, ha,

TEN. Ha, ha,

BASS. Ha, ha,

staccato

staccato

32

SOP. — ha, — ha, — ha, — ha, ha, ha, — ha, — ha, — ha, —

ALTO — ha, — ha, — ha, — ha, ha, ha, — ha, — ha, — ha, —

TEN. ha, — ha, —

BASS. ha, — ha, —

portamento, succring

SOP. — ha, ha, ha, —

ALTO — ha, ha, ha, —

TEN. ha, — ha, — ha, ha,

BASS. ha, — ha, — ha, ha,

SOP. — ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ah, —

ALTO — ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ah, —

TEN. ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha,

BASS. ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha,

SOP. 33
 ha, ah, _____ ha, ah, _____ ha, ah, _____

ALTO.
 ha, ah, _____ ha, ah, _____ ha, ah, _____

TEN.
 ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha,

BASS.
 ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha,

Piano accompaniment: Treble and Bass clefs, empty staves.

SOP.
 _____ ha, ah, _____ ha, ah, _____

ALTO.
 _____ ha, ah, _____ ha, ah, _____

TEN.
 ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha,

BASS.
 ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha,

Piano accompaniment: Treble and Bass clefs, empty staves.

SOP. ha, ah, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha,

ALTO. ha, ah, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha,

TEN. ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha,

BASS. ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha,

SOP. ah, ha, ha, ha, ah, ha,

ALTO. ah, ha, ha, ha, ah, ha

TEN. ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ah,

BASS. ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha,

34

SOP. ah, _____ ha, ha, ha, — ha, — ha, — ha, — ha, — ha, *sf* *ff*

ALTO. ah, _____ ha, ha, ha, — ha, — ha, — ha, — ha, — ha, *sf* *ff*

TEN. — ha, — ha, — ha, — ha, — ha, — ha, ha, *ff*

BASS. ha, _____ ha, ha, ha, ha, — ha, ha, ha, *sf* *ff*

SOP. ha, ha, — ha, — ha, — ha, ha, ha, ha, *loco*

ALTO. ha, ha, — ha, — ha, — ha, ha, ha, ha, —

TEN. ha, —

BASS. ha, *tr*

SOP. *diminuendo*
 — ha, — ha, — ha, — ha, ha, ha, — ha, — ha, — ha, —

ALTO. *diminuendo*
 — ha, — ha, — ha, — ha, ha, ha, — ha, — ha, — ha, —

TEN. *diminuendo*
 ha, — ha, —

BASS. *diminuendo*
 ha, — ha, —

35

SOP.
 ha, — ha, — ha, — ha, — ha, — ha, — ha, ha, ha, —

ALTO.
 ha, — ha, — ha, — ha, — ha, — ha, — ha, ha, ha, —

TEN.
 ha, — ha, — ha, ha,

BASS.
 ha, — ha, — ha, ha,

DALCA.

DAL. *Laugh not ye*

SOP.

ALTO *ha, ha, ha*

TEN. *ha, ha, ha*

BASS. *ha, ha, ha*

Very slow.

DAL. *out - casts of the in - vis - i - ble world For*

SOP.

ALTO

TEN.

BASS. *ha, ha, ha*

36

Very slow.

DAL. Lu and Æn-gus laugh not Nor the gods safe set a -

Very slow.

DAL. -bove the per-ish-a-ble stars — They laugh not, nor

pp very smooth

DAL. a - ny in the high ce - les - tial house.

loco

37

DAL. Their

DAL. *p* proud im - mor - tal eyes grow dim and cloud - ed *dim.*

DAL. When as a morn - ing sha - dow I am gath - er'd in - to their

38

DAL. ho - ly light For well they know the dread - ful fin - ger of the *mf dim.* *p*

DAL. name - less one, that moves as a sha - dow falls For *pp*

DAL.

I, Dal-u-a, am yet the blown leaf of the un - known

poco cresc. *e accel.* *molto cresc.* *e accel.*

30 *Quick.*

DAL.

pow'rs

SOP.

We — too are the blown — leaves — of the un - seen

ALTO

We — too are the blown — leaves of the un - seen —

TEN

We — too are the blown — leaves — of the un - seen —

BASS

We — too are the blown leaves of the un - seen

SOP. *dim.*
Pow'rs, _____

ALTO *dim.* *pp*
Pow'rs, the blown _____ leaves _____

TEN. *dim.* *pp*
Pow'rs, the blown _____ leaves _____

BASS *dim.*
Pow'rs, _____

40 DALCA. *3*
DAL. _____
Voi-ces of sha-dow-y things, be

(listening intently)
DAL. _____
still.

DAL. *I hear the*

Oboe. *ppp*

41

DAL. *voice of one who wan - ders thro' the wood.*

Fl. *8^{va}* *accel.*

(Chorus dances away until inaudible.)

SOP. *Ha, ha, — ha, — ha, — ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, — ha, — ha, —*

ALTO *Ha, ha, — ha, — ha, — ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, — ha, — ha, —*
stacc.

TEN *Ha, ha, ha,*
stacc.

BASS *Ha, ha, ha,*

SOP. — ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, — ha, — ha, — ha, —

ALTO — ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, — ha, — ha, — ha, — ha, — ha, —

TEN. ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha ha, ha, — ha, — ha, — ha, — ha,

BASS. ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, — ha, — ha, — ha, — ha,

The Chorus are to repeat this bar until they are out of hearing.

SOP. — ha, — ha, — ha, — ha, ha, ha, — ha, ha, ha, —

ALTO — ha, — ha, — ha, — ha, ha, ha, — ha, ha, ha, —

TEN. ha, ha ha, ha ha, ha, ha,

BASS. ha, ha,

(Dulna has watched the disappearance of the Spirits— then stands hidden by a tree.)

42 (Enter Etain. She comes slowly forward.)

Slow

and stands silent, looking at the moonshine in the water

She moves down stage dreamily

43

ETAÏN.

ET. Fair is the moon-light, And fair— the wood— But not so fair— as the

pp

Ob.

The first system of the musical score for 'ETAÏN.' features a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The vocal line is in a treble clef with a key signature of two sharps (D major). The lyrics are 'Fair is the moon-light, And fair— the wood— But not so fair— as the'. The piano accompaniment consists of two staves, with the right hand playing chords and the left hand playing a rhythmic pattern. A dynamic marking of *pp* is present. An 'Ob.' (Oboe) part is also indicated.

ET. place— I— come from, Why— did— I— leave— it, the

The second system continues the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The lyrics are 'place— I— come from, Why— did— I— leave— it, the'. The piano accompaniment features a prominent melodic line in the right hand.

ET. beau - ti - ful coun - try Where Death is on - ly a drift - ing sha - dow

44

The third system continues the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The lyrics are 'beau - ti - ful coun - try Where Death is on - ly a drift - ing sha - dow'. A measure number '44' is enclosed in a box above the vocal line. The piano accompaniment continues with its characteristic melodic and harmonic patterns.

ET. O, — face of Love, of Dream— and Long - ing There is sorrow upon me—

mf *pp*

The fourth system concludes the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The lyrics are 'O, — face of Love, of Dream— and Long - ing There is sorrow upon me—'. Dynamic markings of *mf* and *pp* are present. The piano accompaniment features a melodic line in the right hand and a rhythmic pattern in the left hand.

ET. *- that I am here*

rit.

(with more decision - and moving back to where she entered)

ET. I will go back to the coun - try_ of the Young

rit.

happily 45

ET. And see a - gain the lan - ces of the Shee —

rit.

ET. As they keep their host - ing with laugh - ing cries —

rit.

ET. *In_ pale_ pla - ces un - der the moon.*

ET.

(As she is about to disappear a curious eerie cry is heard from the wood.)

ET.

ppp accel.

46 (Etain turns, startled.) *p*

ET. *None made that cry who has not known the Shee.*

fz pp pp

(Dalua steps forward with a courtly bow, faintly touched with mockery.)

DAL.

Cl.

pp *mf* *p*

DALUA.

47

Hail Daughter of Kings

p *mf*

DAL.

And Star a-mong the dreams which are the lives and

DAL.

rit. **ETAIN.**

souls of whom have won the Coun-try of the Young. I know you

Ob.

pp *p*

48

DALUA

rit.

ET. *in time*
 not I have come far, led here by dreams_ and

ETAIN.

DAL. visions By dreams and visions led I too have come

49

ET. But know not whence or by what de - vious way Nor to what

ET. end I am come thro' these dim woods to this grey lone - ly

DALCA. (touching her lightly with the shadow of his hand)

ET. loch Have you for -

p *mf* *p dim.*

DAL. - got the del-i-cate smiling land Be-neath the arcs — which day and night and

pp *mf*

50

DAL. mo-ment-ly are wove Be-tween its peace - ful shores and the

DAL. vast gulf of dread-ful si-lence and the un-path-way'd dark ?

ppp

ETAIN.

ET. I have for-got - ten all I can re-mem-ber no-thing- No, not

51

ET. this the lit - tle song - I sang even now or what sweet

ET. thought, what ache of long-ing lay be - hind the song. All is for -

52

ET. -got I know nomore than this:- That

pp dreamy

ST. *I am E-tain White o' the Wave E-tain come hith-er from the*

ppp

ST. *love - ly land Where the Im-mor-tal Shee — fill up their lives as*

gradually gathering speed

ST. **53** *flow'rs — with ho - ney Brew'd of Sum - mer airs —*

ST. *Flame of the Sun, dawn rains, and eve - ning*

dim. *poco rit.*

ET.

dews.

8

ppp a tempo

ppp lingering

f

Quick loco

DAL.

54 DALUA. accel.

We are sheep — led by an un-known

rit.

accel.

f rit.

DAL.

accel. molto

shep-herd we, who are the Shee For all we

dim.

p accel. molto

DAL.

rit.

dream we are as Gods, and far un-gath-er'd from the lit-tle woes of men

f rit.

mf dim.

ETAIR.

55

ET.

Then why this meet-ing here

ET.

Here in this old wood By moon - light By this me-lan-cho-ly

DALUA.

56

ET.

wa - ter? I knew not, Now I

DAL.

know. A King of Men — has wooed the

Slow, but decided rhythm.

DAL. *Im - mor - tal Hour* *He seeks to know the*

ppp

57

DAL. *joy that is more great than joy the beau-ty of the old green earth can*

DAL. *give He has known dreams, and because bitter dreams have sweeter been than*

DAL. *ho - ney He has sought the open road that lies mid shadowy things*

DAL. He hath sought and found and called upon the Shee — to lead his love to

foco accel.

DAL. One more beau-ti-ful than a - ny mor - tal maid

Slightly quicker.

DAL. So fair that he shall know a joy be -

ppp (Cl.)

DAL. -yond all mor-tal joy and stand si - lent and

foco rit.

foco rit.

DAL. *rapt* _____ be - side the gate, The

cresc. *slightly increasing the speed.*

59

DAL. rain - bow gate of her whom none may find.

DAL. *rit. e dim.* *pp*
The Beau - ty _____ of all _____ Beau - ty,

rit. e dim. *pp*

ETA. **ETAIN.**
Can this be?

pp quicher *p* *sustained.* *f* *dim.*

60

DALUA.

DAL. Nay, but he doth not know the end There is but

quicker

sf *p* *pp* *mf* *pp*

DAL. one way to that gate It is not Love a - flame with all De -

agitated

mf *pp*

Dalua here makes a significant gesture, which he repeats over the body of Eochaidh at the end of the work.

61

DAL. - sire, but Love at Peace.

Calm.

rit. *dim.* *pp*

ETAIN.

DAL. Who is this po - et, this King?

mf *quicker*

DALDA.

ETA. 

Led here by dreams, by dreams and

62

DAL. 

vi-sions led, as you and I, his feet are near-ing us.

Muted Cello.

*Rather slower.
Delicate.*

DAL. 

When you are won by love and ad-o - ra-tion

pp

DAL. 

Star of Dreams And take sweet

pp

63

DAL. mor - tal clay And have for-got that love-sweet whis-per of the

DAL. King of the Shee And, ev'n as now, hear

DAL. Mi-dir's name un - moved. The way - ward this-tle down of

64

DAL. Fate shall blow on the same i - dle wind The

Rather quicker.

DAL. *doom of him who blind - fold seeks you.*

ETAIN.

DAL. *But may he not*

Quick

DALUA.

ETA. *love? Yes, he shall love.*

Slow

65

Slower.

DAL. *Up - on him I shall lay my touch The touch of him men*

Slow and grim. f

DAL. dread, and call the A-ma-dan Dhu, _____ the Dark one

DAL. Faer - y Fool He shall have mad-ness ev-en as he wills

66

DAL. And think it wis - dom I shall be his thought a

DAL. dream — with-in a dream, The flame where-in the white moths of his

The blast of a Horn is heard.

DAL. *thought shall rise and die.*

p a tempo

67

Touching her lightly with the shadow of his hand, and whispering in her ear.

DAL. *Now go I have told all that need be told, and givn be-wil-derment and*

pp

DAL. *dreams But dreams that are the fruit of that sweet clay of which I spake*

Ob. *pp*

(Etain slowly goes, putting her hand to her head, bewilderedly.)

DAL.

a tempo

p *p* *p* *pp*

ETAÍN. (as she goes out.) *Dalua stands motionless, following her with his eyes.*

ETA. I will go back to the coun-try of the young And see a-gain the

pp

68

ETA. lan - ces of the Shee — As they keep their host - ing with

ETA. laugh - - ing cries — In pale pla - ces .

(Horn heard nearer— *Dalua stands in the shadow, waiting the coming of Eochaidh the King.*)

ETA. un - der the moon. —

mf

69

Eochaidh enters in a leathern

(Horn quite close.)

f *p*

hunting dress.

mf *pp rit.* *mf a tempo*

prit. *mf a tempo* *pp rit.* *fz p* *a tempo*

70 ECHAIÐH. (abruptly on suddenly seeing Dalua.)

roc. Sir! I am glad, I had not thought to see one here

DALUA.

DAL. *Rather slow.*

The King is wel - - come

ROCHAIDE.

ROCH. And who is he —

Horn.

71

ROCH. — who knows the King Here in this dim, re- mote — for- got- ten

ROCH. wood Where, led by dreams and vis-ions I have come.

pp cresc.

72

DALUA.

DAL. Those led by dreams shall be mis - led, O

King.

EOCHAIDH.

73

EOCH. You are no dru-id, no knight in arms— none whom I have seen

DALUA.

DALUA. I am called Da - lu - a

Very slow.

Horn.

EOCHAIDH.

I have not heard that name

mf *rit. e dim.* *pp a tempo*

Violas.

OCII. And yet in dreams — I have known one who

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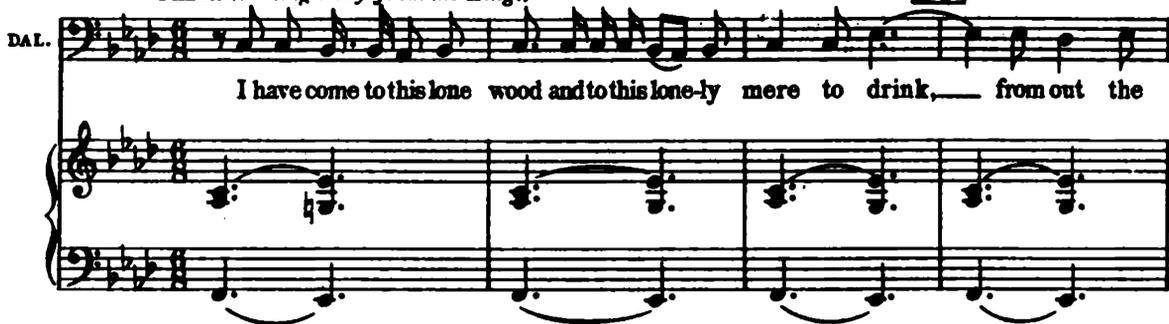
EOCH. waved — a sha-dow-y plume — And smil - ing said,

mf *pp*

EOCH. I am Da - lu - a Are you that same Da - lu - a?

DALUA. (*Inrning away from the King.*)

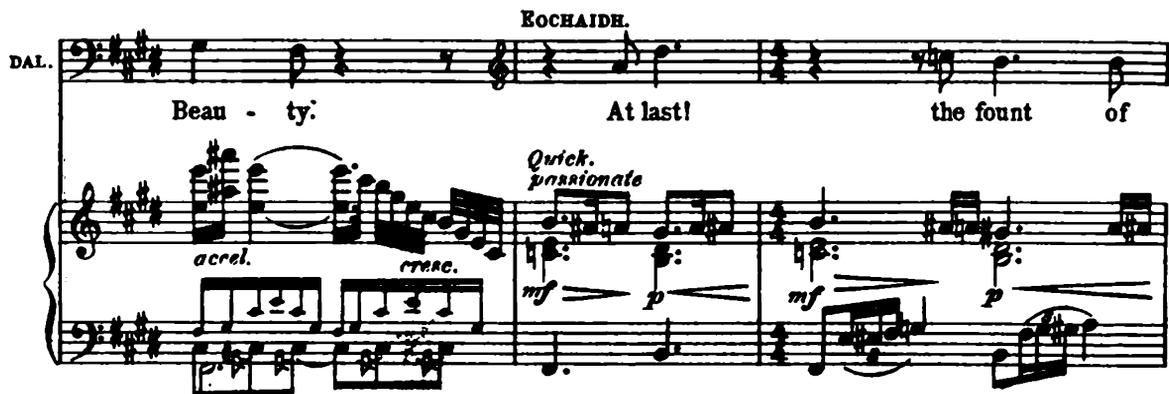
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DAL. 

I have come to this lone wood and to this lone-ly mere to drink, — from out the

DAL. 

Foun - tain — of all Dreams, — the sha - dowy fount of

DAL. 

Beau - ty. At last! the fount of

Quick. passionate

acrel. cresc. mf p mf p

ECH. 

Beau - ty Foun - tain of all Dreams.

mf cresc. rall.

77

EOCH.

Strong rhythm.

Now am I come—up on my

EOCH.

long desire The days have trampled me like

cresc. rall.

EOCH.

arm - ed men Thrust - ing their spears as ev - er on they go And

78 (*Dalua passes behind him and lift his hands over him like a great shadow.*)

EOCH.

rit.

I am wea - ry of all things, Save the stars, the wind,

rit. e dim. p pp

(Suddenly a fountain rises high in the mere, the spray shines brightly in the moon-rays.)

SOCH.

sha-dow and moon-rise and strange dreams

DALUA. (touching him lightly.)

DAL.

Look O King.

79 Eochaidh.

Eochaidh.

I see a foun - tain

EOCH.

And within its sha - dow a great fish

EOCH.

swims, And on its quiv - 'ring wave

EOCH.

The scar - let berries float

80

EOCH.

Dim 'mid its depths the face of

pp marcato

EOCH.

One I see most

EOCII. calm and great, Au - gust, with

81

OCII. mourn - ful eyes.

DALUA.

DAL. Ask what you will

(During the following Dalua goes out.)

EOCII.

The

82

EOCH.

word of wis - dom, O thou

EOCH.

hid - den God!

A VOICE.

Re - turn

VOI.

O Eoch - aith Ai - remdh

83

VOI. wan - - d'ring King

ЕОСН.

ECH. That shall not be, no backward way is mine

ECH. If I in-deed be King, then King - ly I shall cleave my -

84

ECH. way Through sha - dows as through men Re -

A VOICE.

VOI. - turn

EOCH. Eoch.

Nay by the sun and moon I swear

85

EOCH. rit. a tempo

I will not turn my feet

VOI. A VOICE.

Re -

(more faintly.) (The fountain falls away) *dim.*

VIO. - turn, re - turn

rit. e dim.

86 Eoch.

There is no back-ward way — for such as

ppp

Hesitatingly turns to speak to Dalsa)

EOCII. I

p *accel.* 1

87

EOCII. How - be - it for I am sha-ken with old

Eng. Horn. *pp* *fp* *pp*

EOCH.

dreams, and as an i - dle wave toss'd to and

EOCH.

fro I will go hence

mf marcato *heavy* *p* *pp*

EOCI.

88

I will go back to where the qui - et moon - light spills a - bove the

EOCII.

hills where men hail me King

cresc.

(Dalua's laughter heard from the wood.)

DALUA'S VOICE.

DAL.

Quick.

Fol - low, — O fol - low, King of Dreams and

pizz.

fpp

89

DAL.

Sha - dows

fpp

Horn.

ROCHAIDH.

Exit Rochaidh.

ROCH.

I fol - low

etc.

90

accel. molto e dim.

THE VOICE OF DALUA. (on ahead)

DAL.

Fol - low, _ O fol - low, _

pp

THE VOICE OF EOCHAIDH.

DAL.

King of Dreams and Sha - dows I

91

EOCH.

fol - low _

p

DALUA. (still further on)

DAL.

Fol - low _

EOCHAIDH.

Slow. (unaccompanied)



92



93

DALUA. *deliberate* (in another part of the wood.)

Scene 2.

At the hut of Manus and Maive.— Manus sits before the pine-log fire. His wife stands at the back, plucking feathers from a dead cockerel. In a sheltered recess sits Etain.

95 *Steady time: rather rough tone.*

96

97

98

MANUS.

MAN. I've seen that man be-fore who came to-night, I say I've seen that man be-fore

MAIVE.

MAI. Hush, Ma-nus, be-ware of what you say How can we tell who comes, who goes

99

MAI. And too, good man, you've had three gold-en piec-es

ppp quick

MANUS.

MAN. Ay, they are put by, that com-forts me, for gold is ev-er gold

p

MAIVE. (curtseys to Elaine.)

MAI. One is for her who stays to night, And shares our scan-ty fare

MAI. Right wel-come too! The oth-er for a - ny who might come, asking for bite or sup

(Manus interrupts her with a gesture) MANUS.

MAI. The third- Yes, wo-man, yes, I know, for

100

MAN. si - lence Hush, there comes the rain

Etain rises, goes to doorway, and pulls back

Solo Violin.

The first system of music consists of two staves. The upper staff is for the Solo Violin, showing a melodic line with a series of eighth notes and slurs. The lower staff is for the piano accompaniment, featuring a dense texture of sixteenth notes in the left hand and a more sparse right hand. A *ppp* dynamic marking is present in the piano part.

the hide. Shuddering, she thrusts it crosswise, and returns.

The second system continues the musical narrative. The violin part maintains its melodic flow. The piano accompaniment features a *pp* dynamic marking and includes some chordal textures and moving lines in both hands.

The third system shows the continuation of the violin's melodic line. The piano accompaniment includes a *f* dynamic marking, indicating a moment of increased intensity or volume.

101

The fourth system concludes the page. It features a *dim.* (diminuendo) marking in the piano part, indicating a gradual decrease in volume. The violin part continues with its characteristic melodic patterns.

ETAIN.

ET. It was so beau - ti - ful with not a

pp

102

ET. breath of wind

ET. And now the hill wind moans

ET. The night is

ET. filled with tears of bit - ter
etc.

ET. rain

dim.

ET. Good

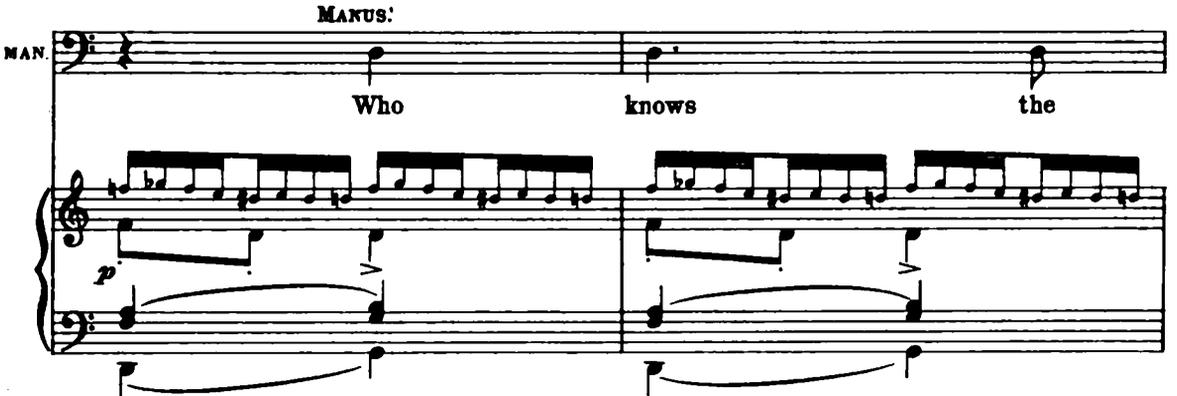
ET. peo - ple, Have you

104

ET.  **seen such quiet eves**

ET.  **Fall in - to storm - y nights be -**

ET.  **- fore**

MANUS:  **Who knows the**

MAN. wild way of the wind The

Musical score for MAN. Part 1. The vocal line is in bass clef with lyrics "wild way of the wind The". The piano accompaniment consists of a right-hand treble clef and a left-hand bass clef. The right hand plays a melodic line with slurs, and the left hand plays a steady accompaniment of chords and single notes.

MAN. wild way of the rain

Musical score for MAN. Part 2. The vocal line is in bass clef with lyrics "wild way of the rain". The piano accompaniment continues with similar melodic and harmonic patterns as in Part 1.

MAIVE. They are more great than we, They are so old, the wind and rain, So old

Musical score for MAIVE. The vocal line is in treble clef with lyrics "They are more great than we, They are so old, the wind and rain, So old". The piano accompaniment features a right-hand treble clef and a left-hand bass clef, with a wavy line above the first few notes of the right hand.

Slower.

MAI. they know all things grey feath-ers and blind eyes

Musical score for MAI. The vocal line is in treble clef with lyrics "they know all things grey feath-ers and blind eyes". The piano accompaniment includes a *pp* (pianissimo) marking and a slur over the first few notes of the right hand.

ETAIN. MANUS.

MAI. Who? Who? The wo-man speaks of wind and rain Blind

107

MAN. Eyes, The dread-ful one whom none has seen, Whose voice we

MAN. hear Grey Feath-ers, his pale

108

MAN. love Who flies be-fore or fol - lows

ETAIN.

MAN

But — some-times — some-times — tell me have you heard

ppp

ET.

By dusk or moon - set have you nev - er heard

109

ET.

Sweet Voi - ces, de - li - cate mu - sic, nev - er

ET.

seen the pass - age of the lord - - - ly

110

ET. beau - ti - ful ones — men call — the

MANUS rises abruptly.)

ET. Shee? We do not speak of them

111

Horn heard off.

MAIVE.

MAN. Hark!

MAI. A

MAI.
se - cond time _____ I've heard a

MAI.
cry

EOCIADH(outside.)
O - pen, good folk

fpp

MANUS (taking spear and poising it at the door.)
There is no door to ope, Thrust back the skin from off the post

FON. Eoch.

Good

113

EOC. (He sees Etain.)

folkl I give you greet - ing,

He bows to Etain, steps nearer, and from this moment keeps his eyes on her.

ET. La - dy

114 ETAIN.

ET. Sir! I pray you, draw near the fire

ET. *He passes on,*
 This bit-ter wind and rain must sure have chilled you.

115

keeping his eyes fixed on Elaine.- Manus furtively touches him as he passes.

MANUS. (TO MAIVE)
 He is not wet; the dri-ving rains have left no sin-gle drop.

Quicker.

MAIVE. MANUS.
 Good sir! Brave-lord! Have pi-ty on us Good sir! you are most

116

MAN. wel-come. I am Ma-nus and this poor wo-man is Maive my child-less

The first system of music for Man. The vocal line is in bass clef with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#) and a 4/4 time signature. The lyrics are "wel-come. I am Ma-nus and this poor wo-man is Maive my child-less". The piano accompaniment consists of two staves (treble and bass clef) with chords and a simple bass line.

MAN. wife And this is a great la-dy of the land who shel-ters here to-

The second system of music for Man. The vocal line continues with the lyrics "wife And this is a great la-dy of the land who shel-ters here to-". The piano accompaniment continues with similar harmonic support.

MAN. night Her name is E-tain.

The third system of music for Man. The vocal line concludes with the lyrics "night Her name is E-tain.". The piano accompaniment features a *cresc.* (crescendo) marking in the final measure.

117

MAIVE.

Sir! if you are of the name-less ones, the no-ble name-less ones

The fourth system of music, starting with Maive's line. The vocal line is in treble clef with a key signature of two sharps and a 4/4 time signature. The lyrics are "Sir! if you are of the name-less ones, the no-ble name-less ones". The piano accompaniment includes a *sf* (sforzando) marking.

MAI. *Slower.* FOCI. *pp*

do us no ill. Good folk, I mean no

FOCI. *mf* *quicker* *p*

ill Nor am I made of other clay than

118

FOCI. *p*

yours, I am a man. Let me have shelter here to-

FOCI.

-night, To-mor-row I will go hence.

119

MANUS.

You are most welcome, Sir.

BOCH.

And you, E-tain.

Is it with your will that I be sheltered from the wind and

120

rain. How could I grudge you that un-grudged to me?

*Manus and Maive withdraw into the shadow.- The l'igs give l'is f'ame.
Slow and tender.*

CELLO.
pp smooth.

BRASS.

Eoch.

At last I know why

p < mf dim. pp < f p < pp

121

EOCH

dreams have led me hi-ther. All these yearsthes-

p

EOCH

eyes like stars have led me. All these years This

pp

EOCH

love that dwells like moon-light in your face Has been the wind that moved my

122

EOCH

id - le wave. For-

Animato.

accel. *mf* *pp rit.*

EOCH

-give pre-sump-tuous words I mean no ill.

Tempo *mf dim.*

EOCH

I am a King, and King - ly Ard Ree I am

mf

123

Ard Righ of Ei - ré. ETAİN.
And your name, fair lord?

Eoch. ETAİN.
Eochaidh Air-emh. And I am E-tain called, Daughter of lord - ly ones,

124

ET. of prince - ly line. But more I can-not say, for on my

ET. mind a strange for - get - ful cloud be - wild - ers me

ET. And I have mem - ry on - ly of those things — of which I



The first system of music consists of a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The vocal line is in a treble clef with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a 3/4 time signature. The lyrics are "And I have mem - ry on - ly of those things — of which I". The piano accompaniment is in a grand staff (treble and bass clefs) with a key signature of one flat and a 3/4 time signature. It features a steady bass line and chords in the right hand.

ET. *Slow and solemn.* can - not speak, Be - ing un - der bond to keep the si - lence of my



The second system of music features a vocal line and piano accompaniment. The tempo/mood is marked "Slow and solemn." The vocal line is in a treble clef with a key signature of one flat and a 3/4 time signature. The lyrics are "can - not speak, Be - ing un - der bond to keep the si - lence of my". The piano accompaniment is in a grand staff with a key signature of one flat and a 3/4 time signature. It includes a long melodic line in the right hand that spans across the system.

125 ET. *Time as before* lord - ly folk. How I came here, or to what end,



The third system of music is marked with the number "125" in a box. It features a vocal line and piano accompaniment. The tempo is marked "Time as before". The vocal line is in a treble clef with a key signature of one flat and a 3/4 time signature. The lyrics are "lord - ly folk. How I came here, or to what end,". The piano accompaniment is in a grand staff with a key signature of one flat and a 3/4 time signature. It includes a long melodic line in the right hand that spans across the system.

ET. or why I am left here, I know not.



The fourth system of music features a vocal line and piano accompaniment. The vocal line is in a treble clef with a key signature of one flat and a 3/4 time signature. The lyrics are "or why I am left here, I know not." The piano accompaniment is in a grand staff with a key signature of one flat and a 3/4 time signature. It includes a long melodic line in the right hand that spans across the system, with markings for "cresc." and "accel.".

126

ET.

quicken and strengthen

mf *cresc.*

ET.

Esch.

True - ly I

rit. *f* *p*

EOCH.

now know full well!

ff *rit.*

126

A steady time

EOCH.

E-tain, dear love, my dreams come true. I have

pp *p*

ET.  *seen this dim pale face in dreams for days and months and*

ET.  *years, Till at the last Too great a spell of beau-ty*

128 *Rather quicker*

ET.  *held my hours. My king-dom was no more to me than sand,*

ET.  *or a green pa-lace built of Au-gust leaves al-rea-dy*

SOC. II

yel-lowing wait-ing for the wind— to scat-ter them to North and—

SOC. II

South and East, I have for-got-ten all that men hold dear,

Quicker

129

SOC. II

And given my king-dom to the wheel-ing crows, the

SOC. II

tramp-ling des-ert hinds, the snarl-ing fox

poco accel.

EOCH.

I have no thought no

p poco rit. *pp* *Tempo*

EOCH.

dream, no hope but this To call you mine, to

130 *ff* *cresc.* *ff*

EOCH.

take you hence, my Queen!

rit. *f*

ETAIN.

soft but agitated

I too am lift-ed with the breath of a tu-mul-tuous wind

pp *pp* *pp* *pp*

pp always soft

ET. My Lord and King

131

ET. I too am lit with fire which fills my heart, And

ET. lifts it like a flame to burn in

ET. thine, To pass and be at

ET. *one and flame in thine.*

f *rit.* *allarg. 3*

ET. **132**

ff

ETAIN & EOCH. *The years, the*

8

ET. & EOCH. *bitter years of all the world are now no more. Who*

mf *allargando* *mf* *f* *pp*

133

FOCU

laughed?
MANUS.

(sullenly)

What means that laugh-ter?

No-one laughed,

ETAINE.

MAIVE.

None laughed, It was the hooting of an
Grey Feathers and Blind Eyes!

134

ET.

owl.

Dear

getting slower

rit.

p

ET.

Lord, sit here. I am wea - ry

(Eoch: bends on one knee.)
(The peasants are asleep)

(It is dark and very still)
Slow and quiet

dim. pp ppp

135

p pp dim.

(A strange, far-away look comes
into Elna's eyes)

ppp

Eoch. (half whispering, anxiously)

136

(Elna strains into the darkness
as though to hear a far sound.)

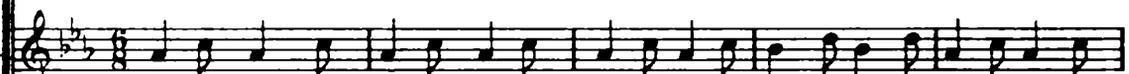
E-tain, dear love!

slower f Piccolo (afar off)

Small chorus in the distance not more than 5 or 6 Sopranos, 4 Con., 4 Ten, and 6 Bass.

SOP.  How beau-ti-ful they are, — The lord-ly ones —

ALTO  la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

TEN.  la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

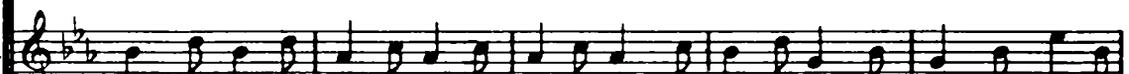
BASS  la la la la la la la la la la



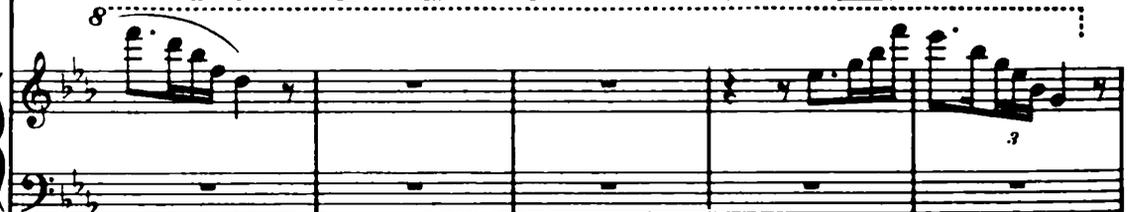
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SOP.  — Who dwell in the hills, — In the hol-low hills — They have

ALTO  la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

TEN.  la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

BASS  la la la la la la la la la la



SOP. fa - ces like flowers. And their breath is a wind — That blows o - ver

ALTO la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

TEN. la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

BASS la la la la la la la la la la

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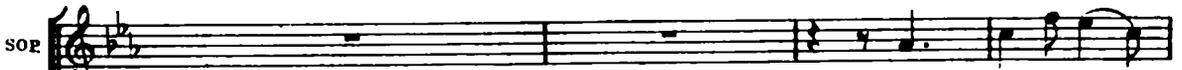
SOP. sum-mer mead-ows Filled with dew'y clo - ver —

ALTO la la la la la la la la la la la

TEN. la la la la la la la la la la la

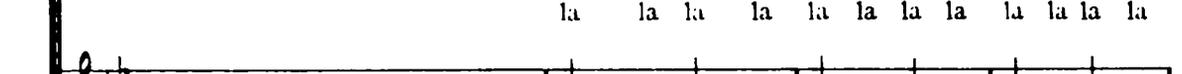
BASS la la la la la la —

Harp fur off. pp

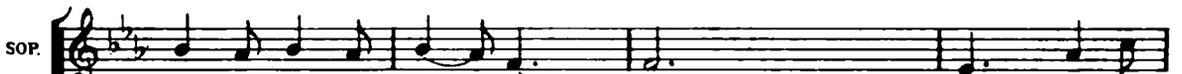
SOP.  Their limbs are more_

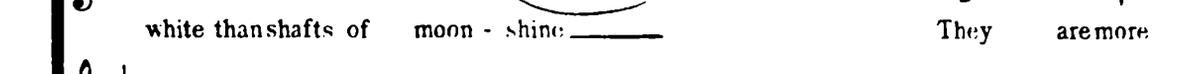
ALTO  la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

TEN.  la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

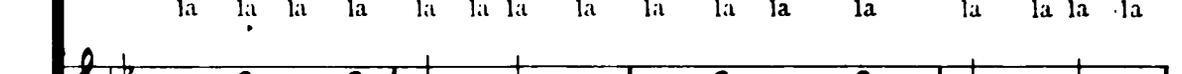
BASS  la la la la la la



SOP.  white than shafts of moon-shine ————— They are more

ALTO  la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

TEN.  la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

BASS  la la la la la la la la



SOP. fleet — than the March wind — They laugh — and are *cresc.*

ALTO. la la la la la la la la la la la la la la *cresc.*

TEN. la la la la la la la la la la la la la la *cresc.*

BASS. la la la la la la *cresc.*

SOP. glad — And are ter-ri-ble — When their lanc-es

ALTO. la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

TEN. la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

BASS. la la la la la la la la

SOP. shake and glit-ter Eve-ry green reed qui - vers

ALTO la la la la la la la la la la la

TEN. la la la la la la la la la la la

BASS. la la la la la la

SOP. *getting further and further away.*
How beau-ti-ful they

ALTO *p*
la la la la la la la la

TEN. *p*
la la la la la la la la

BASS. *p*
la la la la

dim.

SOP. are. — How beau-ti-ful — The lord - ly ones — In the

ALTO la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

TEN. la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

BASS la la la la la la la la la la

SOP. hol - low hills. —

ALTO la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

TEN. la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

BASS la la la la la la la la la la

END OF ACT I.

ACT II.

Hall of the Dun of Kochaidh the King. Processional Entrance of Druids.

Slow.

TENORS. *p* By the voice in the cor-ries where the Pole-star danc-eth,

BASSES. *p*

CHO. By the Voice on the Sum-mits The Dead feet know,

CHO. By the soft wet cry where the Heat - star trou - bleth,

CHO. By the plain-ing and moan-ing of the sigh of rain - bows,
By the sigh of rain - bows.

cresc. *f*

CHO. By the four white winds of the world Whose fa-ther the gold-en sun is, whose

CHO. mo-ther the wheel-ing moon is, The North and the South and the

CHO. East and the West, By the four good winds of the world That

1 *dim.* *p*

CHO. Man know-eth, that One dread-eth,— that Lu bless-eth,

CHO. Be all well on moun-tain moor-land and lea, On

CHO. loch face and loch-lan and riv-er, On shore and shallow and sea.

CHO. By the Voice of the Hol-low where the worm dwell-eth,

CHO. By the Voice of the Hol-low where the sea wave stirs not,

CHO. By the Voice of the Hol-low that Sun hath not seen yet,

CHO. **2** By the three dark winds of the world, The chill dull breath of the grave, The

CHO. breath from the depth of the sea, The breath of To-mor-row,

CHO. By the white and dark winds of the world—The four and the three that are seven, That

CHO. *dim.* man knoweth, that *p* One dreadeth, That Lu blesseth— Be all well on

CHO. **3** moun-tain, moor-land and lea, On loch face and loch-an and riv - er, On

CHO. shore and shallow and sea. *The Druids are assembled.* *Ritual.* Sky-set Lu, who

ppp cresc. **17**

CHO. *dim.* leads the host of stars, and Da - na, an-cient mo - ther of the mo - ther of the

mf *mf* *p*

CHO. Gods. Dag - da, lord of Thun-der and Si - lence,

18

ppp

CHO. Moon-crown'd Brigid of un-dy-ing flame Man - a-nan of th'in-numer-a-ble wa-ters

4

pp *mf*

CHO. Mi-dir of the Dew and the Eve-ning Star Flame-haired Oen-gus, Lord of Love and Death,

p *mf*

pp

Dance of Women.

CHORUS OF WOMEN.

SOPRANOS. *f*

CONTRALTOS. *f*

The Bells of Youth are

CHO.

p dim. pp

Sha-dow-y Dal-u-a of the Hid-den Way.

5

ring-ing in the gate-ways of the South,— The ban-ner-ets of green are now un-

6

-furl'd Spring has ris-en with a laugh, And a wild_ rose

6

— in her mouth, And is ring-ing ring-ing ring-ing thro' the world. The

thro' the world.

CHO. Bells of Youth are ring - ing in all the si - lent pla - ces, The
are

CHO. prim - rose and the ce - lan - dinc are out.

7
CHO. Chil - dren run a - laugh - ing with joy up - on their fa - ces, And the

CHO. West wind fol - lows af - ter with a shout. The
af - ter with a shout, with a shout.

8
CHO. Bells of Youth are ring - ing from the for - ests to the moun - tains, From the

mea - dows to the moor-lands hark their ring - ing Ten

ring - - ing Ten

thou - sand thou - sand splash - ing rills and fern - dap - pled foun - tains are

fling - ing wide the Song of Youth and on - ward flow - ing sing - ing.

SOPRANOS.

CONTRALTOS.
The Queen appears. *She bows.* The

DRUIDS.

Hail E-tain! E-tain the Beau-ti-ful, Hail!

p *mf rit.* *p*

10

The Queen passes to her throne.

s. Bells of Youth are ring-ing in the gate-ways of the South The ban - ner - ets of

c.

DRU. DRUIDS. Hail E-tain!

s. green are now un - furled _____ Spring has ris - en

c. Spring — has ris - en with a

DRU. E - tain, the Beau - ti - ful, Hail!

11

s. — with a laugh And a wild — rose — in her month, And is

c. laugh

S.
ring - ing, ring - ing, ring - ing, thro' the world

CHO.
C.

DRU.
E - tain the Beau - ti - ful Hail!

Horns.

Quick and Strong. *TENORS. Entry of warriors.*

T.
Put this was in the old, old,

CHO.
BASSES.

12

T.
far - off days, But this was in the old, old far - off days:

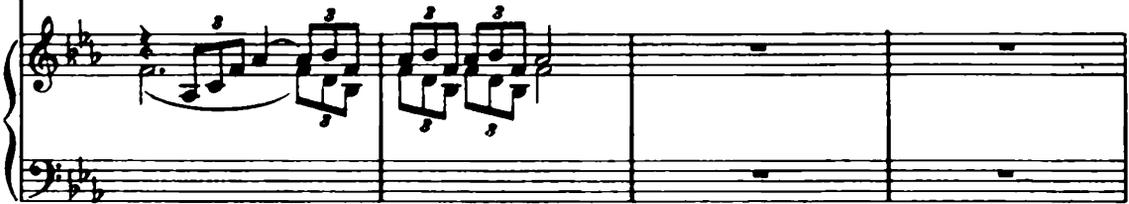
CHO.
B.

T. 

CHO. They rode be-neath the an-cient boughs, And

B. 

They rode be - neath the_ an-cient boughs, And

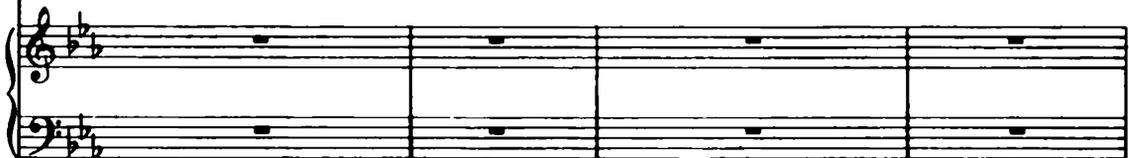


T. 

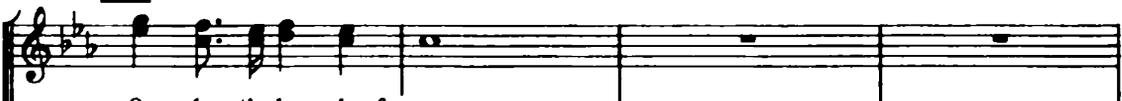
CHO. as they rode she sang; But at the last both si - lent were,

B. 

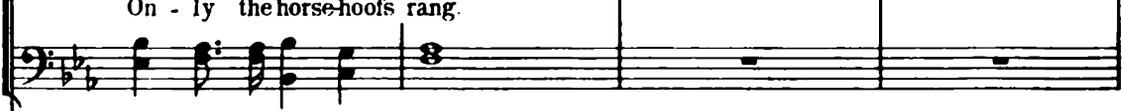
as they rode_ she_ sang_



13

T. 

CHO. On - ly the horse-hoofs rang.

B. 



сuo. Guen took up the sword And she felt its shin-ing blade, And she

Guen took up the sword — And she felt its shin-ing_ blade_

The first system of the musical score consists of three staves. The top staff is a vocal line in treble clef with lyrics. The middle staff is a vocal line in bass clef with lyrics. The bottom staff is a piano accompaniment in bass clef, which is mostly empty with some notes in the final measure.

14

сuo. laughed and vowed it fit-ted ill For the hand-ling of a maid.

The second system of the musical score consists of three staves. The top staff is a vocal line in treble clef with lyrics. The middle staff is a vocal line in bass clef with lyrics. The bottom staff is a piano accompaniment in bass clef, showing some rhythmic patterns.

сuo. He looked at her and dark-ly smiled, And

He looked at her and dark-ly smiled, And

The third system of the musical score consists of three staves. The top staff is a vocal line in treble clef with lyrics. The middle staff is a vocal line in bass clef with lyrics. The bottom staff is a piano accompaniment in bass clef, featuring a prominent triplet pattern in the right hand.

CHO. said she was a Queen, For she could swing the white sword high And

15 its love its daz-zling sheen.

HO. She lif - ted up the great white sword, And swung it o'er his
She lif - ted up the

16

poco rit.

CHO. head; Ah, you may smile— now, my lord, Now you may smile, she

a tempo

CHO. said. But this was in the old, old far - off days, But

The King appears.

CHO. this was in the old, old far - off days.

17

ALL.

S.
C.
CHO.
T.
B.

Hail Eoch-aidh High King of Ei-ré Hail!

Detailed description: This block contains the vocal and piano parts for measures 17 through 20. The vocal parts (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) are written in a four-part setting. The lyrics are "Hail Eoch-aidh High King of Ei-ré Hail!". The piano accompaniment is in the left hand, with a right hand that has some notes in measures 17-18 but is mostly silent in measures 19-20. The tempo is marked "ALL." (Allegro).

Detailed description: This block shows the piano accompaniment for measures 17 through 20. The right hand has some melodic lines in measures 17-18, while the left hand provides harmonic support. The tempo is "ALL.".

CHO.

Slow.

Glo - ry of years O King! glo - ry of

Detailed description: This block contains the vocal and piano parts for measures 21 through 24. The vocal parts are in a four-part setting. The lyrics are "Glo - ry of years O King! glo - ry of". The piano accompaniment is in the left hand, with a right hand that has some notes in measures 21-22 but is mostly silent in measures 23-24. The tempo is marked "Slow.".

Slow.

Detailed description: This block shows the piano accompaniment for measures 21 through 24. The right hand is mostly silent, while the left hand provides harmonic support. The tempo is "Slow.".

18

CHO.

Quick.

years -

Detailed description: This block contains the vocal and piano parts for measures 25 through 28. The vocal parts are in a four-part setting. The lyrics are "years -". The piano accompaniment is in the left hand, with a right hand that has some notes in measures 25-26 but is mostly silent in measures 27-28. The tempo is marked "Quick.".

Quick.

allargando

Detailed description: This block shows the piano accompaniment for measures 25 through 28. The right hand has a melodic line in measures 25-26, while the left hand provides harmonic support. The tempo is "Quick." and then changes to "allargando" in measure 28.

Eochaidh (rising)

EOCH. Drink from the great shell and horns, for I am

dim. p f p

Detailed description: This block contains the first system of a musical score. It features a vocal line for 'EOCH.' and a piano accompaniment. The vocal line begins with a rest followed by the lyrics 'Drink from the great shell and horns, for I am'. The piano accompaniment includes dynamic markings: 'dim.' (diminuendo), 'p' (piano), 'f' (forte), and 'p' (piano) again. There are also some numerical markings like '7' and '3' above notes.

EOCH. glad that on this night which rounds my year of joy we feast to - geth - er

mf p

Detailed description: This block contains the second system of the musical score. It continues the vocal line for 'EOCH.' with the lyrics 'glad that on this night which rounds my year of joy we feast to - geth - er'. The piano accompaniment includes dynamic markings 'mf' (mezzo-forte) and 'p' (piano).

ALL.

19

S. Hail Eochaidh, High King of Ei - ré

C. Hail Eoch-aidh, High King of Ei - ré

T. Hail Eoch-aidh, High King of Ei - ré

B. Hail Eoch-aidh, High King of Ei - ré

p f

Detailed description: This block contains the third system of the musical score, featuring four vocal parts: Soprano (S.), Contralto (C.), Tenor (T.), and Bass (B.). Each part has the lyrics 'Hail Eochaidh, High King of Ei - ré'. Below the vocal parts is a piano accompaniment with dynamic markings 'p' (piano) and 'f' (forte).

Quick.

SOP. Hail. *rit.* E-tain the Beau-ti-ful,

ALTO. Hail. *rit.* E-tain the Beau-ti-ful,

TEN. Hail. *rit.* E-tain the Beau-ti-ful,

BASS. Hail. *rit.* E-tain the Beau-ti-ful,

Quick.

allargando

a tempo

SOP. Hail! The ban-ner-ets— of

ALTO. Hail! *a tempo* The Bells of youth are ring-ing in the

TEN. Hail! *a tempo*

BASS. Hail! *a tempo* Now you may smile she

Quick.

Groups of women and warriors sing snatches

of their songs as they make merry.

SOP. green are now—un-furled

ALTO. gate-ways of—the South

TEN. said She lif - ted up the great white sword And

BASS But this was in the old old

20

SOP. The Bells of youth are ring-ing in the

ALTO. The Bells of youth are ring-ing in the

TEN. swung it o'er his head Ah, you may smile—
But this was in the old old

BASS far off days This was in the old old far off days

SOP. gateways of the South, The ban-ner-ets of green are now un - furled...

ALTO gateways of the South, The ban-ner-ets of green are now un - furled...

TEN. now, my lord, Now you may smile, she said
far off days

BASS This was in the old old

SOP. Spring has ri - sen with a laugh and a wild rose in her mouth, and is

ALTO Spring has ri-sen with a laugh and a wild rose in her mouth, and is

TEN.

BASS far off days, This was in the old old

SOP. sing - ing, sing - ing, sing - ing thro' the world. —

ALTO sing - ing, sing - ing, sing - ing thro' the world. —

TEN.

BASS far off days.

slower

SOP. Green fire of Joy green fire of Life

ALTO Green fire of Joy green fire of Life

TEN. Green fire of Joy green fire of Life

BASS Green fire of Joy green fire of Life

Broad.

rit. molto

SOP. Be with you thro' the stress and strife — Be with you thro' the

ALTO Be with you thro' the stress — and strife Be with you — thro' the

TEN. Be with you thro' the stress — and strife — Be with you thro' the

BASS Be with you thro' the stress — and strife — Be — with you thro' the

SOP. sha - dow and shine — The im - mor - tal I - chor — the

ALTO sha - dow and shine — The im - mor - tal I - chor — the

TEN. sha - dow and shine — The im - mor - tal I - chor — the

BASS sha - dow and shine — The im - mor - tal I - chor the

22

SOP. im - mor-tal wine

ALTO im - mor-tal wine

TEN. im - mor-tal wine

BASS im - mor-tal wine

SOP. Drink deep of the

ALTO Drink deep of the

TEN. Drink deep of the

BASS Drink deep — of the

SOP. im - mor - tal wine. It gives the laugh-ter to the

ALTO im - mor - tal wine. It gives the laugh-ter to the

TEN. im - mor - tal wine. It gives the laugh-ter to the

BASS im - mor - tal wine. It gives the laugh-ter to the

The first system of the musical score consists of four vocal staves (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and a piano accompaniment. The vocal parts are in a homophonic setting, with each voice part singing the same lyrics. The piano accompaniment features a rhythmic pattern of eighth and sixteenth notes in the right hand, and a bass line in the left hand. The key signature is two sharps (F# and C#), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "im - mor - tal wine. It gives the laugh-ter to the".

SOP. strife Drink deep and thro' the

ALTO strife Drink deep and thro' the

TEN. strife Drink deep and thro' the

BASS strife Drink deep and thro' the

The second system of the musical score continues the vocal parts and piano accompaniment. The vocal parts sing the lyrics: "strife Drink deep and thro' the". The piano accompaniment continues with the same rhythmic pattern as in the first system. The key signature remains two sharps (F# and C#), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "strife Drink deep and thro' the".

SOP. sha-dow and shine *ff* Re-joyce in the

ALTO sha-dow and shine Re-joyce in the

TEN. sha-dow and shine *ff* Re-joyce in the

BASS sha-dow and shine Re-joyce in the

23

SOP. green fire of Life.

ALTO green fire of Life.

TEN. green fire of Life.

BASS green fire of Life.

poco rit. e dim.

They all look expectantly toward Etain.

dim. *p*

Eoch.

E-tain! speak, my Queen

> pp

24

She puts her hand to her brow as if trying to remember something.

(Etain rises abstractedly.)

Eoch.

mf *dim.*

ETAIN. Slow.

ET. *War-riors and Druids, bards, harpers, friends of high and low degree I who am*

ET. *She bows.*

ET. *queendoal-so thank you But I am wea-ry now, with*

25

ET. *strange per-plex-ing dreams And so I bid you all fare-*

ET. *-well*

ET.

To you my lord and King, I too will bid fare-well

Quicker.
p Eoch.

to-night. No, no, my Queen, this night I pray

Eoch

this night Leave me not here a-lone, for un-der all this

Eoch

out-er tide of joy I am sore wrought by dreams and pre-mo-ni-tions

27

rit.

EOCH II

For threenights— I have heard sud-den laugh-ter in the dark where

EOCH

noth-ing was and in the first false

Con moto.

EOCH

dawn have seen phan - - tas-mal shapes, and on the grass a host of

28

EOCH

sha-dows march-ing bent one way as when green leagues of reed be-come

8

in octaves

pp

EOCII.

one reed blown slant-wise by the wind

EOCII.

As seems to lose himself

EOCII.

Where the water whispers 'mid the shadowy row-an trees I have

EOCII.

heard the Hidden People like the hum of swarming bees, And

EOCH.

when the moon has ris - en and the brown burn glis - ters grey I have

The first system of music consists of a vocal line and piano accompaniment. The vocal line is written in a single staff with a treble clef and a key signature of two flats. The lyrics are: "when the moon has ris - en and the brown burn glis - ters grey I have". The piano accompaniment is written in two staves, with the right hand in the treble clef and the left hand in the bass clef. The music is in a 4/4 time signature.

EOCH.

seen the Green Host marching in laugh - ing dis - ar - ray

The second system of music consists of a vocal line and piano accompaniment. The vocal line is written in a single staff with a treble clef and a key signature of two flats. The lyrics are: "seen the Green Host marching in laugh - ing dis - ar - ray". The piano accompaniment is written in two staves, with the right hand in the treble clef and the left hand in the bass clef. The music is in a 4/4 time signature.

EOCH.

Da - lu - a then must sure have blown a ma - gic air, Or with the
muted Trumpet

pp

The third system of music consists of a vocal line and piano accompaniment. The vocal line is written in a single staff with a treble clef and a key signature of two flats. The lyrics are: "Da - lu - a then must sure have blown a ma - gic air, Or with the muted Trumpet". The piano accompaniment is written in two staves, with the right hand in the treble clef and the left hand in the bass clef. The music is in a 4/4 time signature. A dynamic marking of *pp* is present in the piano part.

30

EOCH.

mys - tic dew have sealed my eyes from see - ing fair, For the

The fourth system of music consists of a vocal line and piano accompaniment. The vocal line is written in a single staff with a treble clef and a key signature of two flats. The lyrics are: "mys - tic dew have sealed my eyes from see - ing fair, For the". The piano accompaniment is written in two staves, with the right hand in the treble clef and the left hand in the bass clef. The music is in a 4/4 time signature.

EOCH.  *pp* *fp* *pp*

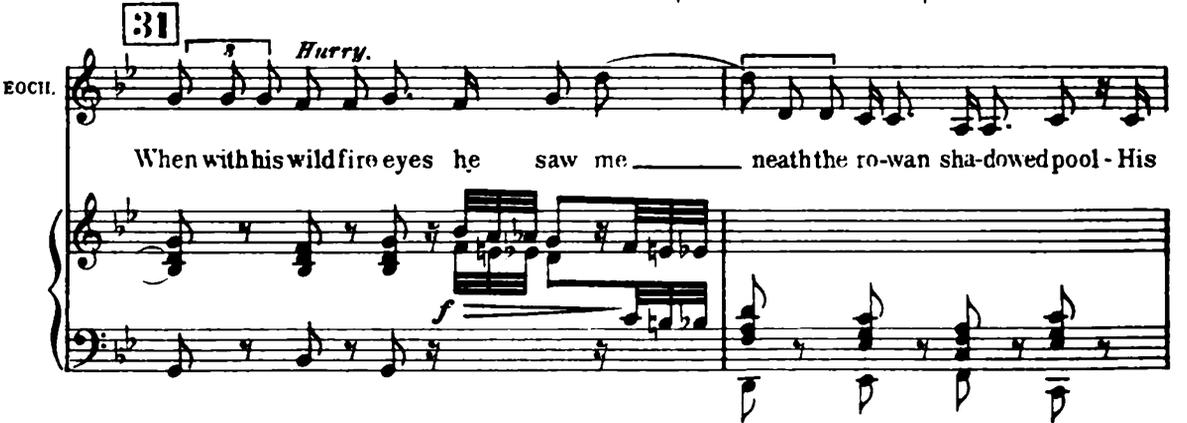
great lords of Sha-dow who tread the deeps of night are no frail pu-ny folk who

EOCH.  *pp* *f* *p*

move in dread of mor-tal sight For

EOCH.  *pp* *mf* *mf*

sure Dal-u - a laughed a - low, Dal-u - a the fae - ry fool.

31 *Hurry.*  *f*

When with his wild fire eyes he saw me _____ neath the ro-wan sha-dowed pool - His

BOCH. *cresc.*

touch can make the chords of life a bit - ter jang - ling tune, The

BOCH. *cresc.*

false grows true, the true grows false, be - neath his moon-tide rune

BOCH. *pp accel. e cresc.*

The

32

BOCH. *pp*

laugh-ter of the Hid-den Host is ter - ri-ble to hear The

EOCII.

Hounds of Death would harry me at lift - ing of a spear.

EOCII.

May-hap Dal-u-a made for me the hum of swarm-ing bees And

EOCII.

sealed my eyes with dew be-neath the sha-dowy ro-wan trees.

8 *loco*

dim. e rit.

ET. *STAIN. p*

I too have heard strange de-licate mu - sic

pp

ET. 34

Sub - tle mur-mur-ings ^A

ET. lit - tle love - ly noise of myriad leaves ^{As}

pp

ET. though the green-ness of the wind o' the South came travel-ling to bare

ET. *pp* woods on one still night.

riten.

35

ET. But I am wea - ry now

slower. *mf* *mf dim.*

ET. Dear King, sweet sleep, And sweet-er dreams.

pp

36

She gives him her hand - He kisses it tenderly but looks over his shoulder as if startled by some unseen phantom. *Etain repeats her*

ET.

pp *fp - pp* *f - pp* *rit.*

*gesture of weariness and bewilderment.**She rises —*

Piano accompaniment for the first section. The score consists of four staves: three treble clefs and one bass clef. The music is in a minor key. The first staff has a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The second and third staves also have treble clefs and one flat. The fourth staff has a bass clef and one flat. The music features a triplet of eighth notes in the first measure, followed by a series of eighth and sixteenth notes. Dynamics include *accel.*, *rit.*, and *rit. molto*.

*and steps down from the throne.**Broad.*

CHORUS.

SOP. The Queen! Glo-ry of years, O Queen, Glo-ry of years!

ALTO. The Queen! Glo-ry of years, O Queen, Glo-ry of years!

TEN. The Queen! Glo-ry of years, O Queen, Glo-ry of years!

BASS. The Queen! Glo-ry of years, O Queen, Glo-ry of years!

Broad.

mf *f* *rit.* *p*

Piano accompaniment for the chorus. The score consists of four vocal staves (SOP., ALTO., TEN., BASS.) and a piano accompaniment staff. The music is in a minor key. The vocal parts enter with the lyrics "The Queen! Glo-ry of years, O Queen, Glo-ry of years!". The piano accompaniment features a triplet of eighth notes in the first measure, followed by a series of eighth and sixteenth notes. Dynamics include *mf*, *f*, *rit.*, and *p*.

37

She bows to the Assembly, and moves to the doorway.

SOP.

ALTO.

TEN.

BASS.

Very slow.

mf

f

dim.

SOP.

ALTO.

TEN.

BASS.

Green Fire of Life, Be with you, thro' the

Green Fire of Life, Be with you, thro' the

Green Fire of Joy, Green Fire of Life, Be with you, thro' the

Green Fire of Joy, Green Fire of Life, Be with you, thro' the

p

cresc.

SOP. stress and strife — Be with you thro' the shadow and shine — The

ALTO stress and strife — Be with you thro' the sha - dow and shine — The

TEN. stress and strife — Be with you thro' the shadow and shine — The

BASS. stress — and strife — Be — with you thro' the sha - dow and shine — The

38

SOP. im - mor - tal I - chor, — the im - mor - tal wine.

ALTO im - mor - tal I - chor, — the im - mor - tal wine.

TEN. im - mor - tal I - chor, — the im - mor - tal wine.

BASS. im - mor - tal I - chor, — the im - mor - tal wine.

When she reaches the door, the Queen turns and faces the assembly.

She passes out, the

CHORUS.

TEN. Hail!

BASS. Hail!

f cresc. *mf* *dim.*

King looking after her with troubled longing.

p *pp* *f* *p*

39

The King raises his hand.

accel. *fp*

BOSHAIDI.

The warriors go

Now go in peace, to one and all, good-night.

Possible cut.

out in a hushed manner, humming their song under their breath.

mf *p*

40

dim. pp

CHO.

The Bards and Druids go out, saying

Sky - set Lu, who

Sky - set Lu, who

ppp

End of cut.

41

one old man, and a boy.

CHO.

leads the host of stars, and Da - na an - cient Mo - ther of the

leads the host of stars, and Da - na an - cient Mo - ther of the

CHO.

Gods

Dag-da, Lord of Thunder and silence

Gods

Dag-da, Lord of Thunder and silence

ppp mf

42

CHO. moon-crown'd Bri-gid of un - dy - ing flame, Ma - na-naan of thin -
 moon-crown'd Bri-gid of un - dy - ing flame, Ma - na-naan of thin -

pp

A stir is heard without

CHO. -num-er-a-ble wa - ters, Mid - ir of the Dew and the Eve - ning Star.
 -num-er-a-ble wa - ters, Mid - ir of the Dew and the Eve - ning Star.

pp *cresc.*

The exit of the Druids is arrested

They stand uncertain as a young stranger

p accel. e cresc. *mf* *pp Tpt.*

43) *passes through their midst, and confronts the King.*

mf *cresc.*

mf

44

MIDIR.

Hail, Eochaidh King of Ei-ré

f dim. a rit.

MIDIR. *with light grace.*

Sor-row up-on me That I am so late for this great

Eoch. *looked fixedly at Midir.*

Hail, fair Sir!

MID.

feast - ing But I come from far, — And

45

MID.

wind and rain - de - layed me Yet

MID.

full glad — am I to stand be-fore the King — to - night —

MID.

46

— and claim — a boon.

EOCII.

Here in my Dun no stran - ger claims a boon in vain

f p *mf* *p rit. mf al tempo*

EOCII.

If that boon be such as I may grant without a loss of fame,

p rit. *pp* *p*

47

E.O.C.H.

honour or com-mon-weal But first, fair sir I ask the

E.O.C.H.

name and rank of him who craves

Slow.

MIDIR.

I am a King's first son

48

Slower still.

MID.

My King - dom lies be - yond your lord - ly realms, O King

MID.

full glad — am I to stand be-fore the King — to - night —

MID.

46

— and claim — a boon.

EOCH.

Here in my Dun no stran - ger claims a boon in vain

f p *mf* *p rit. mf a tempo*

EOCH.

If that boon be such as I may grant without a loss of fame,

p rit. *pp* *p*

47

E.OCH.

honour or com-mon-weal But first, fair sir I ask the

pp mf p

E.OCH.

name and rank of him who craves

p pp pp rit.

Slow.

MIDIR.

I am a King's first son

p dim.

48

Slower still.

MID.

My King - dom lies be - yond your lord - ly realms, O King

pp p

MID.  And yet up - on its mist-white shores — The

MID.  three great waves of Ei - ré rise in foam

49

MID.  But I am un - der sa - cred bond to tell no one,
pp rigidly. *pp*

MID.  not even the King, my name and lin - eage.
pp *fpp* *fpp*
Each looks at Midir with doubt.

(calmly.) 50

MID. King, I wish you well Lord-ship and peace and

MID. all your heart's de-sire *Each makes an involuntary gesture of eager inquiry—but checks*

accel e cresc.

himself— turns to the waiting bards and druids and signs to them to go.

decidedly.

ff rit. p mf

51

The Bards take up their song again as they go.

Dag-da, Lord of Thun-der and Si-lence

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Moon-crowned Brig-id of un - dy - ing flame Man - a-naan of th'in-

Moon-crowned Brig-id of un - dy - ing flame Man - a-naan of th'in-

p

- nu - mer - a - ble wat - ers Mid - ir of the Dew — and the

- nu - mer - a - ble wat - ers Mid - ir of the Dew — and the

Midir turns to watch the disappearing procession. He seems full of silent laughter.

Eve - ning star Flame - haired Cen - gus, Lord of Love and Death

Eve - ning star Flame - haired Cen - gus, Lord of Love and Death

Tpt.

p *fp* *p* *triumph*

52

Eoch looks upon him doubtfully.

Shad-ow-y Dal-u - a of the hid - den way.

Shad-ow-y Dal-u - a of the hid - den way.

rall. *pp*

With scarcely restrained eagerness Eochaidh turns again to Midir.

cresc. *poco accel.* *f* *mf* *fz*

50CII. Fair Lord, My thanks I give Lord-ship I have

f *p* *fz*

53

50CII. And peace a lit-tle while

pp *f*

EOCII.

Tho' one brief year has seen its birth and life My heart's de-

EOCII.

- sire Ah! unknown lord give me my heart's de-sire

MIDIR. 54 EOCII.

And that, O King It is to know there is no

EOCII.

twi- light hour up-on my joy no star- less night where-in my

SOLO. *mf* *dim!*

swimming love may reach in vain for a - ny shore Wherein

Slow. 55

SOLO. *dim.*

great love shall drown. and be a life - less weed.

MIDR.

Have not great po-ets sung great love

MID. *rit.* *rit molto.* *rit.*

— sur - vives the night — and climbs — the stars, and lives the

56

Slow.

MID. im - mor - tal hour a long the brows of that in-

accel.
gradual cresc.

Quicker.

MID. -fini-tude called youth whom men name Æn - - gus,

accel.

MID. Sun - rise Sir

Slow.

pp

57

OCC. *Midir flings off his green cloak and stands revealed in a glittering tunic of ruddy gold.*

I too have been a poet.

accel.
cresc. molto!

Bold and Quick.

MID. MIDIR.

In the

58

MID.

days of the great fires when the hills were a - flame

MID.

Aedh the shin-ing god lay by a foam - white moun-tain the

MID.

white thigh of moon - crown'd Da - na bean-ti - ful moth - er

allarg.

59

MID. *And the wind fretted the blue with the toss'd curl - ing*

MID. *clouds of her tan-gled hair And like two flam-ing stars were her*

60

MID. *eyes Tor - ches of sun - fire and moon - fire*

MID. *And her vast breasts*

MID. heav'd as the sea heaves in the great

p *riten. dim.*

MID. calms and the wind of her sighs were as the

a tempo

61

MID. winds of sun - rise soar - ing the peaks of the

MID. ea - gles Da - na, Mo-ther of gods,

p *mf allarg.*

62

MID.

moon-crown'd sea-shod wonder-ful

MID.

MID.

Fire of my love, she cried

63

MID.

Aed of the Sun-light and sha - dow

MID.

laughed And he rose till he

MID.

grew more vast than Da - na The

64

MID.

sun was his trampling foot, And he wore the white

MID.

moon as a feath-er And he

Allarg.

Allargando

MD. lay by Da - - na

ff *ff a tempo*

65

And the world _____ swayed, And the

stars _____ swung,

ff *ff*

66

MD. Thus was OEn - gus born,

Lord of Love, Sun of wis - dom and

Death

67 *Quick and passionate.*
EOCHAIDH.

EOCH. Hear us, OEn - gus, Beau - ti - ful, Ter - ri - ble

SOCH.

Sun - lord and Death - lord, Give us the white flame of

68

SOCH.

love born of Aed and of Da - na: Hark-en, Thou

SOCH.

pulse of hearts And let the white doves from thy

SOCH.

lips co-ver with pas-sion-ate wings the si - lence be-

69

with assumed confidence.

EGCH

- tween us Where a white faun leaps and

half defiantly - almost as if sung to Midir.

EOCH

on - ly E - tain and I be - hold it

70

*Midir regards him lightly.**The look of fear comes into the*

EOCH

In time. *fp* *pp* *f* *fp* *fp*

eyes of Eochaidh. He half ashamedly tries to cover it.

EOCH

Dreams, dreams, dreams,

ROCH.

But now, fair lord, Tell me the boon you

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

ROCH.

crave O King, it is a

MIDIR.

f *p* *f* *pp*

MID.

lit-tle_ thing All that I ask is this, That

MID.

I may touch with my own lips_ The white hand of the queen_

72

MID.

And that sweet E-tain whom you love so well should listen to a

MID.

lit - tle echoing song — that I have made Down by the foam — on —

73

MID.

sea - drowned shores

pp *fpp* *fpp* *f* *fs*

ROCHAIDE.

EOCH

Sir I would that boon were other than it is

p

74

EOCH

for the Queen sleeps — grown sad with wea - ri-ness and man - y dreams

EOCII

But as you have my king - ly word So be it

EOCII

Go, boy, to where the women sleep and call the Queen

The king sinks wearily on

EOCH

his seat more and more lost in gloom. *The old harper quietly takes up a*

harp and sings.

OLD MINSTREL.

O.M.  *I have seen all things pass and all things go*

p *pp* *smooth*

O.M.  *Un-der the shadow of the drift-ing leaf Green leaf, red leaf, brown leaf*

76

O.M.  *Grey leaf blown to and fro Blown to and fro.*

O.M.  *I have seen hap - pydreams rise up and pass*

O.M. *si - lent and swift as shadows on the grass_ Grey_ shadows of*

77

O.M. *old dreams Grey_ beau-ty of old_ dreams grey shadows on the*

O.M. *The old man rises with-*
grass

out looking at the others and goes out.

Silence.

Etain is seen standing at the doorway, clad as in Act I. She comes dreamily forward, as

pp

tho' seeing nothing.

mf p

79

ROCHAIDH.

EOCH

Welcome, my Queen

dim. pp pp

EOCH

But E-tain Why do you come thus clad in green with hair en -

ECHO

-tan-gled with the mystic mis-tle-toe as when I saw you first

ET.

RETAIN. 80

I could not sleep My dreams came close and

pp rit.

ET.

A little quicker.

whis-per'd in my ear And

ET.

some-one played a vague per-plex-ing air with-out my room

81

Her eyes wander toward Midiv.

Musical score for the first system, featuring a vocal line and piano accompaniment. The piano part includes a *pp* dynamic marking.

A look of half-recognition leaps to her eyes.

Musical score for the second system, featuring a vocal line and piano accompaniment. The piano part includes *cresc.* and *dim.* dynamic markings.

82

Eochaid's eyes are clouded with anxiety.

EOCH.

EOCH.

This nameless lord has ask'd a boon from me

Musical score for the third system, featuring a vocal line and piano accompaniment. The piano part includes *p* and *mf* dynamic markings.

EOCH.

It is to touch the whiteness of this hand with his hot lips, For he is

Musical score for the fourth system, featuring a vocal line and piano accompaniment.

SOCH. fe - vert with a se-cret trou-ble

SOCH. And he would sing a song that he has made Dreaming a

Quick. rit. molto

SOCH. **83** fool-ish i - dle dream- an i - dle dream

Elain looking long and lingeringly at Midir, slowly gives him her hand.

dim.

When he has raised it to his lips, bowing, and let it go,

tender accel.

she starts- as if remembering something

Quicker.
f p

84

puts her hand to her brow bewilderedly.

again looking at Midir.

mf p ppp

STAIN.

ST. Fair nameless lord I pray you sing that song

85

Midir takes up the harp that stands by the old minstrel's seat.

ST.

MIDIR. (*looking steadfastly at Etnin.*)

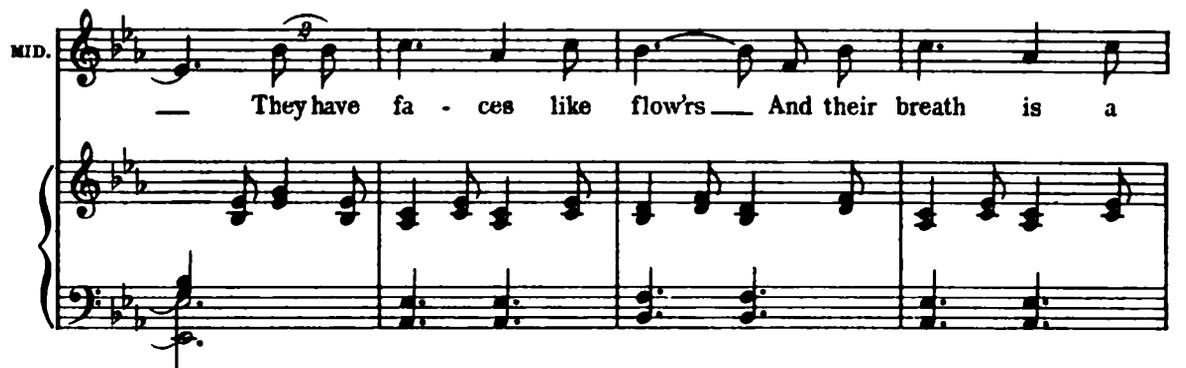
MID.  *pp*

How beau - ti - ful they are, — The lord - ly ones —

86

MID. 

— Who dwell in the hills, — In the hol - low hills —

MID. 

— They have fa - ces like flow'rs — And their breath is a

87

MID. 

wind — That blows o - ver summer meadows Filled with dew - y clo - ver

ppp

MID. 88

— Their limbs are more — white than shafts of moon - shine —

MID. *poco cresc.*

— They are more fleet — than the March wind

MID. They laugh — and are glad — and are ter - ri - ble

cresc.

MID. 89

When their lan - ces shake and glit - ter Ev - 'ry green reed qui - vers

mf *dim.*

MID. 90

How beau - ti - ful they are — How beau - ti - ful — The

MID. *dying away*

lord - ly ones — in the hol - low hills. —

Slow.
Again again puts her hand to

91

ppp *dim.* *Silence.* *pp*

her head bewilderedly.

rit. *pp*

Eochaidh makes a half gesture as though to break the spell.

Etain turns from Eochaidh.

m accel. *p* *rit. e dim.* *pp*

ETAIN. *pp*

92

I have heard, I have dream'd that song 0

pp

ET. lord - ly ones — that dwell in se - cret pla - ces of the hol - low hills

poco accel.

93

ET. Who have put moon - lit dreams in - to my mind — And

ET. *mf*
filled my noons with vi - sions I hear sweet dew - fall voi - ces

ET. and the clink, the del - i - cate sil - very spring and clink of fae - ry lan - ces

94
ET. un - der - neath the moon.

broaden.
cresc.

Eochaidh looks at Midir half in dread—

*Then takes a step to Etain,
who gently repulses him as if scarcely*

pp *f* *pp* *f*

pp *fpp* *fpp*

unaware of him. 95

p

Midir again takes up the harp.

MIDIR. (*more joyously.*)

f accel. *f poco rit.* *p*

I am a

MID.

song in the land of the young, A sweet song

96

MID. I am Love,

MID. I am a bird, a

with growing elation.

cresc.

MID. bird with white wings, and a breast of flame,

mf

97

MID. sing - ing, singing. The

Rather quicker.

f dim.

MID. 

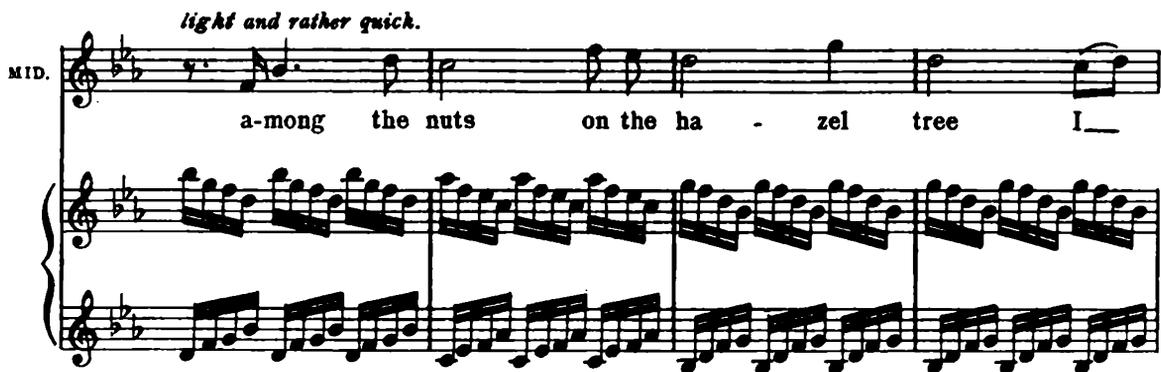
wind sways me on the quicken bough

MID. 

p. Hark! Hark I hear laughter

pp

98

MID. 

light and rather quick.

a-mong the nuts on the ha - zel tree I

99

MID. 

sing to the sal-mon in the fae - ry

99

MID. pool What is the dream_ the Sal - mon dream

MID. — In the Pool of Conn - la un - der the

MID. ha - zels? It is: There is no

rit. *Broader.*

cresc. *rit.* *mf*

100

MID. death, Mi - dir, with thee, In the hon - ey-sweet

dim.

MID. Land of Heart's De - sire

MID. *Quicker.* It is a name won - - - der -

MID. **101** -ful It was born on the lips of

MID. OEn - - gus Og
(Awk)

broader.

MID. go, look for it, Lost name,

102

MID. Beau - - ti - ful, strayed from the hon - - ey-sweet

MID. Land of Youth

MID. I am Mi-dir,

103

MID. *p*
 Level But where is my se - cret name in the

f dim. p pp

MID. Land of Heart's De - sire?

mf pp

104

MID. *pp*
 I am a bird, a bird with white wings And a

ppp

MID. *p dim.*
 breast of flame Sing - ing, sing - ing

p dim.

Etain moves a little nearer to Midir— she stops,— puts her hands to her eyes.

Musical score for the first system. It consists of a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment (grand staff). The piano part includes dynamic markings *p*, *fp*, and *slower*. The key signature has two flats and the time signature is 4/4.

105

Musical score for the second system, featuring piano accompaniment (grand staff). It includes dynamic markings *mf* and *p*. The key signature has two flats and the time signature is 4/4.

takes them away. **ETAIN.**

Musical score for the third system. It features a vocal line (treble clef) and piano accompaniment (grand staff). The vocal line includes the lyrics: "I am a small green leaf in a great". Dynamic markings *f* and *pp* are present in the piano part. The key signature has two flats and the time signature is 4/4.

106

to Midir.

Musical score for the fourth system. It features a vocal line (treble clef) and piano accompaniment (grand staff). The vocal line includes the lyrics: "wood. And you are the". Dynamic marking *criso.* is present in the piano part. The key signature has two flats and the time signature is 4/4.

Eochaidh makes two threatening steps toward Midir, who

ETAÍN.

wind _____ o' the South

f accel. Tpt.

with a gesture prevents him.

ff rit. dim.

107

Eochaidh shrinks and covers his eyes.

p

EOCH. (in a strained voice.)

EOCH.

I cannot come I can-not reach to you

relaxing his efforts

EOCH.

What are these songs the harp-er sings?

108

ETAIN. (*as in a dream*)

ETAIN.

I can not hear your voice so far a - way

EOCH. *gasping*

EOCH.

Come back come back it is a dream that calls

ETAIN.

I cannot hear your strange forgotten words I go

109

MIDIR. (to ETAIN.)

ETA.

from dark to light from dark to light

pp

EOCH. *weaker*

EOCH.

O do not leave me, star of my de sire

f *p* *pp*

EOCH.

for now I know that you are part of me and I the clay

always weaker

EOCH.

the mor-tal clay that longed to gain and keep the star-ry Da-naan fire

(hoarse)

EOCH.

the lit-tle spark that lives and does not die

6

Rather Quicker
MIDIE.

110

MID.

Hast - en lost love, found

MID.

love Come, E - tain come

Solo Violin

Chorus in the far distance

SOP. How beau-ti - ful they are — the

ALTO. La la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

TEN. La la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

BASS. La la la la la la la la

Flute with Chorus in the distance.

ETAIN.

ETA. What are those

SOP. lord-ly ones _____ Who dwell in the hills _____ in the hollow hills, _____

ALTO. la

TEN. la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

BASS. la la la la la la la la la la

FLUTE.

MIDIK. *slowly moving backwards*

ETA. sounds I hear Come E-tain come a far the hill side maids are

SOP. — They have fa - ces like flow - ers And their breath is a wind — That

ALTO. la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

TEN. la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

BASS. la la la la la la la la

FLUTE.

112

MID. milk - ing the wild deer The elf - horns blow

SOP. blows — o - ver summer meadows Filled with dew - y clo - ver

ALTO. la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

TEN. la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

BASS. la la la la la la la la

FLUTE.

MID. green harpers on the shores Play a wild mu - - sic

SOP. — — — — —

ALTO. la

TEN. la

BASS. — — — — —

FLUTE.

HARP.

113

MID. out across the foam Rose flusht on one long wave's pale

SOP. Their limbs are more white than shafts of moon - shine

ALTO. *neater*
la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

TEN. la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

BASS. la la la la la la la la la la la

FLUTE.

HARP.

MID. front The moon of

SOP. They are more fleet than the March wind

ALTO. la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

TEN. la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

BASS. la la la la la la la la la

FLUTE.

MID. *fae - ry hangs low on that wave*

They laugh — and are glad — and are ter - ri - ble —

CHO. *la la

*la la

*la la

FL.

114

(The voices are drawing very near)

MID. *When their lan - ces shake and glit - ter Ev - 'ry green reed qui - vers*

CHO. *la la

*la la

*la la

FL.

p *cresc.*

MID. Come

CHOR. la

la

cresc. molto ed allargando

HARP

115

(The voices are now quite close, but the singers unseen)

MID.

CHOR.

In — the Land — of Youth there are

In — the Land — of Youth there are

In — the Land — of Youth there are

In — the Land — of Youth there are

Broader.

mf

ORCH.

MID. *Come*

plea - sant pla - ces - green joy - ful woods and fields swift grey blue

CHO. plea - sant pla - ces green joy - ful woods and fields swift grey blue

plea - sant pla - ces green joy - ful woods and fields swift grey blue

plea - sant pla - ces green joy - ful woods and fields swift grey blue

116

Midir slowly goes out, moving backwards with arms inviting Etain, who follows in a tranced ecstacy.

MID. — There is no age there, nor a - ny sor - row

wa - ters — There is no age there, nor a - ny sor - row

CHO. wa - ters — There is no age there, nor a - ny sor - row

wa - ters — There is no age there, nor a - ny sor - row

wa - ters — There is no age there, nor a - ny sor - row

wa - ters — There is no age there, nor a - ny sor - row

MID. As the stars in heav'n — are the cat-tle in the val - leys

As the stars in heav'n are the cat-tle in the val - leys

CHO. As the stars in heav'n are the cat-tle in the val - leys

As the stars in heav'n are the cat-tle in the val - leys

As the stars in heav'n are the cat-tle in the val - leys

They pass out, and the sound of the voices is gradually lost in the distance. When they have gone the stage is dark, but a bright light shines in the distance against which the appealing figure of Bochaidh is silhouetted.

117

MID. Great riv - ers wan - der through flow - ry plains streams of milk and
streams of milk and

CHO. Great riv - ers wan - der through flow - ry plains — streams of milk and

Great riv - ers wan - der through flow - ry plains

Great riv - ers wan - der through flow - ry plains

When Midir has left the hall, a sudden
darkness falls. **ETAIN (Outside)**

MID.

mead streams of strong ale There is no

mead_ There is no hun - ger

CHO

mead_ There is no hun - ger

streams of strong ale no

streams of strong ale There is no hun - ger and

ETAIN. **118**
(Outside)
thirst in the hol - low land, the

ET.

hun - ger and no_ MID. Come_

and no_ thirst in the hol - low_ land_ The Land_ of

CHO

and no_ thirst in the hol - low_ land_ The Land_ of

hun - ger and no_ thirst in the hol - low_ land_ The Land_ of

no_ thirst in the hol - low_ land_

land of Youth

ETA. & MID.

YOUTH — How beau-ti-ful they are, — The lord-ly ones —

CNO

YOUTH La la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

YOUTH La la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

La la la la la la

Flute, in the distance

FL.

119

— who dwell in the hills, — the hol-low-hills — They

CNO

la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

la la la la la la la la la la

play — with lan-ces and are proud — and ter-ri-ble — March-ing in the

CHO. la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

pp

Picc. *8*

The first system of music consists of five staves. The top staff is the vocal line with lyrics. The second and third staves are vocal lines with 'la' syllables. The fourth staff is a bass line with 'la' syllables. The fifth staff is the piano accompaniment, starting with a piano (*pp*) dynamic and a Piccolo (*Picc.*) instrument marked with an *8* (octave) sign.

Dalua moves in rapidly to Eochaidh.

moon - light with fierce blue eyes —

CHO. la la la la la la la la la la

la la la la la la la la la la

la la la la la la

loco *pp* *accl.* *e*

The second system of music consists of five staves. The top staff is the vocal line with lyrics. The second and third staves are vocal lines with 'la' syllables. The fourth staff is a bass line with 'la' syllables. The fifth staff is the piano accompaniment, featuring a *loco* (loco) marking, a piano (*pp*) dynamic, and an *accl.* (accelerando) marking with a fermata over the word *e*.

ROCHAIDH.

My dreams my

Dalua touches Eochaidh—who stands stiff and erect—

poco cresc. *pp* *p* *mf*

SOCH. dreams give me my dreams then falls

p cresc. *f* *f dim. molto*

Dalua draws himself up to his full height, and makes the gesture he made on page 53.

CHORUS. *very far away Quick and gay.*

They play with lan-ces and are

La la la la la la la la

La la la la la la la la

CHO. They play with lan-ces and are

La la la la la la la la

La la la la la la la la

Slow. *p. cresc. molto* *pp*

proud — and ter-ri-ble — March-ing in the moon - light with

la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

la la la la la la la la la la la la

The first system of the musical score consists of four staves. The top staff is the vocal line with lyrics. The second staff is a vocal line with 'la' syllables. The third staff is another vocal line with 'la' syllables. The fourth staff is the piano accompaniment, showing a bass line with a steady eighth-note rhythm and a treble line with chords.

*A pause, then
a slow curtain.*

fierce blue eyes.

la la la la la la la la la la

Piccolo. (at a great distance.)

The second system of the musical score consists of four staves. The top staff is the vocal line with lyrics. The second staff is a vocal line with 'la' syllables. The third staff is another vocal line. The fourth staff is the piano accompaniment, featuring a piccolo part indicated by a bracket and the instruction 'Piccolo. (at a great distance.)'. The piano accompaniment includes a bass line with chords and a treble line with a piccolo melody.

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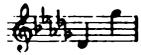
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