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THE GIFT I COVET

A BALLAD

The Music

Composed for and Respectfully Dedicated to

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PIANO

Give me the eye whose sun - ny gleam Can cheer each hour of

sad - - - - - ness, And bright - er make each hap - py dream

When all a - - - - - round is glad - - - - - ness. The eye whose

speak - - - - - ing, spark - - - - - ling glance The soul of love re -

The gift I covet

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Con Anima ad lib: ritard

veal _ _ _ _ ing Can hold my spi _ rits all en _ _ _ _ tranced

Con Anima Col Voice

And read its in _ _ _ _ most fee _ _ _ _ _ ling.

dol: e dim:

piu cres:

2d Give me the voice, low, soft and clear



As stream, let's flow at even',



Whose softest tones come o'er the ear
Like wandering strains of Heaven;
A voice, whose tender, soothing tone
Comes o'er my weary hours,



Like kindness to a stranger shewn,
Or dew on drooping flowers.

3d Give me the heart, that like a fount



Of kindness ever flowing



Pure streams of love still gushing out
On all around bestowing:
And let the spring be mine alone
And sealed from ev'ry other



The heart that I would call my own
I share not with another.

The gift I covet