

VITAL SPARK OF HEAVENLY FLAME.

Words by POPE.

(The Dying Christian to his Soul.)

HARWOOD.

Molto andante religioso.

Key G. Loh is E. *mf* *p e dolce* *mf* *sempre col pedale*

Vi - tal spark of Heav'n - ly flame,

Quit, O quit this mor - tal frame, Trem - bling, ho - ping ling - ring, fly - ing,

Oh! the pain, the bliss of dy - ing! Cease, fond Na - ture, cease thy strife, And

let me lan - guish in - to life. Hark! they whis - per, an - gels say,

f rit. *E. t. m. l.* *mf* *p*

cres.
Hark! they whisper, an - gels say— Sis - ter spi - rit, come a - way,

f *p*
Sis - ter spi - rit, come a - way. What is this ab - sorbs me quite,

f *pp*
Steals my sen - ses, shuts my sight, Drowns my spi - rit, draws my breath?

f poco rit. *p rit.*
Tell me my soul, can this be death? Tell me my soul, can this be death?

p con espress. *rit.* *p dolce*
The world re - cedes, it dis - ap - pears, Heav'n

I : - : s | t : - : d' | f : - : m | m : r : r | m : f e : s | l : d' : s : f e | s : - : ||
 o - pens on my eyes, my ears With sounds se - raph - ic ring.

Allegro moderato.

s : m , f | s : . s | l . d' , t : r' , d' , t , l | l . s : . s | l : f | s : m
 Lend, lend thy wings, I mount, I fly, O grave where is thy

f . f : f . r | m , m : m . s | l . s : l . f | s , s : s
 vic - to - ry, thy vic - to - ry, O grave where is thy vic - to - ry, O

f . m : r . d | s : . s : m , f | s : . s | l . d' , t : r' , d' , t , l | l . s : . s | d' : s | d' : s
 death where is thy sting, Lend, lend your wings I mount, I fly, O grave where is thy

d' , d' : d' . d' | t , l : s . s | s : - : - : . d' | d' : - : - : { . r' | d' : - : t : - : d' | d' : - : - : ||
 vic - to - ry, thy vic - to - ry, O death! O death where is thy sting!