

the Cambridge ladies

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$\text{♩} = 100$ *con rubato a piacere*

mf

6
the Cam-bridge la - dies who live in furn-ished souls _____ are un -

mp

9
Note: "Comfortable" pronounced as a three syllable word.
beau - ti - ful _____ and have comf - rta-ble minds _____ (al - so

12
with the church-'s pro - tes-tant bless - ings _____ daugh- ters, un -

16

scent-ed shape-less spi-rit-ed) they be-lieve in Christ and

19

Long-fel-low, both dead, are in-va-ri-a-bly in-t'rest-ed in so ma-ny things

23

ritardando

♩ = 60

ma quasi ad libitum

and at pre-sent wri-ting one still finds de-light-ed fin-gers knit-ting for the is it

27

♩ = 100

mp Poles? per-haps. *mf* While per-ma-nent fa-ces coy-ly ban-dy

31 *ritardando*

scan-dal of Mrs. N _____ and Pro-fes - sor D _____

tenuto
mp

35 *a tempo*

the Cam-bridge la-dies do__ not__ care, a-bove Cam-bridge if some -

mp

39 *ritardando espressivo* *a tempo*

times in its box of sky la - ven - der and cor - ner - less the moon rat - tles__ like a

mp

42 *ritardando*

frag-ment of an - gry can - dy _____

ff *mf* *p*

circa 2' 10"