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In order of appearance: Prince (baritone), Princess (mezzo soprano), Valet (high baritone), Mayor (character tenor), Sir Bumble (bass), Lady Jollyjaws (soprano), Shepherd (tenor), and Shepherdess (lyric soprano).

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## i. Prelude and Fugue

**Allegretto**

Musical notation for measures 1-5. The piece is in G major and 6/8 time. The right hand features a melodic line with slurs and accents, while the left hand provides a steady accompaniment of eighth notes. The dynamic marking is *mf*.

Musical notation for measures 6-10. The right hand continues with a melodic line, and the left hand maintains the accompaniment. The tempo remains *Allegretto*.

Musical notation for measures 11-15. Measure 11 includes a 7-measure rest in both hands. The right hand has a melodic line with slurs and accents, and the left hand has a steady accompaniment.

Musical notation for measures 16-20. The tempo changes to *rit.* (ritardando) and then *A tempo*. The right hand has a melodic line with slurs and accents, and the left hand has a steady accompaniment.

Musical notation for measures 21-25. The right hand has a melodic line with slurs and accents, and the left hand has a steady accompaniment.

Musical notation for measures 26-30. The right hand has a melodic line with slurs and accents, and the left hand has a steady accompaniment.

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rit. . . . .

A tempo

31

36

40

44

48

52

56

Musical notation for measures 56-59. The system consists of two staves: a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The key signature has two sharps (F# and C#). Measure 56 features a complex treble staff with many beamed notes and a simple bass staff. Measures 57-59 show more active bass lines.

60

Musical notation for measures 60-63. The system consists of two staves: a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The key signature has two sharps (F# and C#). Measures 60-63 show a consistent rhythmic pattern in both staves.

64

64 *tr*

Musical notation for measures 64-67. The system consists of two staves: a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The key signature has two sharps (F# and C#). Measure 64 has a trill (tr) in the treble staff. Measures 65-67 continue the piece.

68

68 *tr*

Musical notation for measures 68-71. The system consists of two staves: a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The key signature has two sharps (F# and C#). Measure 68 has a trill (tr) in the treble staff. Measures 69-71 continue the piece.

72

Musical notation for measures 72-75. The system consists of two staves: a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The key signature has two sharps (F# and C#). Measures 72-75 show a consistent rhythmic pattern in both staves.

76

Musical notation for measures 76-79. The system consists of two staves: a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The key signature has two sharps (F# and C#). Measures 76-79 show a consistent rhythmic pattern in both staves.

80

Musical notation for measures 80-83. The system consists of two staves: a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The key signature has two sharps (F# and C#). Measure 80 has a trill (tr) in the treble staff. Measures 81-83 continue the piece.

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84

88

92

96

rit. . . . .

A tempo

100

104

*ff*  
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Andante

ii. At last, alone!

PRINCESS

PRINCE

My prince. My char-ming Prince Char-ming!

A-lone, at last!— My prin-cess! My bride, my Prin-cess

My heart's de-light! We shall ne-ver be as hap-py as we are to-day.

Beau-teous! We're one this night! We shall ne-ver be as hap-py as we are to-day.

Allegro

iii. A Love Duet

8 *rubato a piacere, ma molto calando* PRINCESS

*tenuto* One great love.

14 PRINCE

Poco più mosso

One burn - ing love— like Tris - tan and

Ten - der love.

rit. . . . . A tempo

19

Ju - liet. Oh? Le - gends shall

No! No! Tris - tan and I - sol - de!

23

pale com - pared to our love.

One glo - rious

27

Dear... Lan - ce - lot and Gui - ne -

love like Lan - ce - lot and Cle - o - pa - tra.

31

rit. . . . . A tempo

vere! Ir - re -

Oh? No - thing's like our in - es - ca - pa - ble



35

rit. . . . .

A tempo

place - a - ble love. Yes, but will you still  
love. In - ex - pli - ca - ble love.

39

love me when I am past my prime?

43

Will you still want me as I am grow - ing old?

47

rit. . . . .

A tempo

Will our hearts grow cold? How can I know?  
Dar - ling...

51

Shall I be lone - ly? Li - ving a - lone with - out

55

[ a large sigh... ]

rea - son or rhyme?

*rit.* . . . . . **Allegro**

59

That shall not be! We have one great love.\_\_\_\_\_

65

**Poco più mosso**

Splen - did love.\_\_\_\_\_

I burn with love like Ve - nus and A - be -

70

rit. . . . . A tempo

No! Ve - nus and A - do - nis!  
lard. Re- ally? Le - gends seem

74

One stead - fast  
stale com - pared to our love.

78

love like Pel - le - as and Chlo - ë!  
Dear! Daph - nis was with

82

What-e - ver! No - thing's more sure than un - shak - a - ble  
Chlo-ë! Our un -

86

love. Un - mis - tak - a - ble love  
break - a - ble love. Yes, but\_ will you still

90

Dear - est...  
love me when I am up in years?

94

Will you still want me as I am grow - ing frail?

98

Hus - band...  
Will the mar - riage fail? How can I know?

102

Must I be lone - ly? Liv - ing a - lone is the

106

That shall not be.  
worst of my fears! No?

110

Meno mosso

Hope - ful - ly not. *agitato*  
Just what do you mean by "hope-ful-ly

113

*agitato*  
And what do you mean by "what do I mean?" You're the  
not?" Well! What's that sup-posed to mean?

116

one who said it!— You know what you said! Sweetie!

Said what? What do you mean by that! Hon-ey-pie!

120

*rit.* . . . . . **Allegro**

Dear - est. One great love.\_\_\_\_\_ Ten - d'rest

\_\_\_\_\_ Ten - d'rest

126

**Poco più mosso**

love.\_\_\_\_\_ One burn - ing love like Tris - tan and I -

love.\_\_\_\_\_

130

sol - de! My Prince

Dear- est-- Charm - ing and Beau - teous!

133

*rit.* . . . . . **A tempo**

Charm - ing! We're hus - band and wife. And

Prin-cess Beau - teous! We're hus - band and wife. And

137

mar - ried for life. But will you still love me,

mar - ried for life. But will you still love me,

141

trou - bled by mar - ried strife? Mar - ried strife?

trou - bled by mar - ried strife? Mar - ried

145

Strife! Strife! For life! For life! For life! For life!

strife? Strife! Strife! For life! For life! For life!

149

*molto rit.* . . .

*Adagietto*

Life? Hus - band? Dear - est love. \_\_\_

Life? Wife? Dear - est love. \_\_\_



iv. An Interruption

[ The Prince and Princess remain locked in an embrace and kiss.]

Andantino

VALET

Cham-pagne for ev'-ry-bo-dy! For the new-ly - weds.\_\_\_\_

3

Don't stop just be-cause I'm here.

6

I see no-thing!

Meno mosso

9

Just mind-ing my own bus'-ness, This is awk-ward, I'm sure you will a-

**Allegro ma non troppo**

**PRINCESS**

12

Cham- pagne! How thought-ful of you! Cham-  
gree. **PRINCE** It's an ho-nor to do!  
Cham- pagne! Cham-

*mf*

17

pagne! Cham- pagne! It's plain, cham-pagne makes joy-ful a- new.  
Cham- pagne! Cham- pagne!  
pagne! Cham- pane! Cham- pagne! A de -

21

Cham - pagne! Cham- pagne! In a toast to our love, to the  
May I serve you cham- pagne? Cham- pagne!  
light, through and through! Cham - pagne! Cham - pagne! Cham- pagne! In a toast to our love, to the

25

wed-ding, the bed-ding, we'll drink a glass! Cham-pagne!

All you sub-jects do ce-le-brate your  
wed-ding, the bed-ding, we'll drink a glass! Cham-pagne!

29

VALET

day\_ of bliss! With good for-tune like this, you will most sure-ly miss\_ those days of mar-ried strife.

33

PRINCESS

Mar-ried strife? Strife? Strife? For

— PRINCE

Strife? Mar-ried strife? Strife? Strife?

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*molto rit.*

38

life? For life? For life? Life!\_\_\_\_\_

For life? For life? Life!\_\_\_\_\_

42

**Meno mosso**

**A tempo**

**VALET** Hus- band? Cham - pagne!\_\_

Was it some-thing I sad? This is where I came in. Cham- pagne!

Wife? Cham- pagne!

*mp* *f*

**v. The Plan**

48

**Adagio ma non troppo**

**PRINCE**

No! We must find the se-cret to tru-ly true hap-pi-ness. Or\_\_

*mf*

51

PRINCESS

Yes! We must find a wise man, a seer, a sage, an o - ra - cle. To

live our lives in wor-ried doubt.

54

tell us of this se - cret truth.

VALET

Love\_\_\_ seems a mys - te - ry which comes wi-thout a gua - ran - tee.

Love\_\_\_ seems a mys - te - ry which comes wi-thout a gua - ran - tee.

There

57

PRINCESS

Well, dear! We must pay that wise man to teach us les-sons won-der-ful! Les-sons

Well, dear! We must pay that wise man to teach us les-sons won-der-ful! Les-sons

(Pay?)\_\_\_

(Pay?)

must be!

*mf*

60

worth a ver - y prince - ly sum! Yes,

**VALET**

(Pay\_\_\_ has a sub - tle way of ex - plain - ing my - ste - ries a - way!)

63

we can buy the se - cret of true love, of pas - sions that will ne - ver e - ver wane.

**PRINCE**

We can buy the se - cret of true love, of pas - sions that will ne - ver

67

Who can ex - plain? Let us re - tain\_\_\_ a wise man. Get the best...

e - ver wane. Who can ex - plain? Let us re - tain\_\_\_ a wsie man. Get the

73 **molto rit.** [ They kiss. ] **Allegro**

...ad - vice.\_\_\_\_

best.. ...ad - vice. I shall pay a ver-y wise man a ve-ry nice price.

*tenuto* *mf*

79

Ver - y, ver - y, ver - y nice price to learn the ve - ry mys - te - ries of the love 'twixt two

84

souls. The coup-ling of two spi - rits. The join-ing of two hearts. Yes,

89 **VALET**

(He shall pay a nice price!) (Ve-ry, ve-ry ve-ry

I shall pay a ve-ry nice price, a ve-ry, ve - ry ve-ry, ve-ry, ve-ry, nice price, to

94

**rit.** . . . . .

nice for me.) (And what an op - por - tu - ni - ty!)  
learn the ve - ry mys - te - ries of the love 'twixt two souls.

98

**A tempo**

I know just the man! Just the one you need! He's an ar - ti - san! On that, you'll be a -

102

**rit.** . . . . .**A tempo**

greed. He's the ma - gi - cal, mys - ti - cal mi - ra - cle man. He fore -

107

tells what no cler - gy or char - la - tan can. He's the ma - gi - cal,



112

Meno mosso

mys - ti - cal, mar - ve - lous mi - ra - cle man. How soon do you want to meet him?

117

rit.

VALET

Adagio

PRINCE Sire! (Pay \_\_\_\_\_ has a spe - cial way of...)

Im - me - di - ate - ly! If not soon - er! Well,

121

[ Valet exits with the empty champagne glasses.]

PRINCESS

My dear! Now we'll get a wise man to teach us les - sons won - der - ful. Les - sons worth a ve - ry prin - ce - ly sum.

124

prince! My Prince Charm - ing, my love.

My prin - cess. My love.

## vi. The Wise Man Cometh

[ The Valet re-enters, dressed in a hastily improvised disguise.]

**Adagio**

*p* *misterioso*

**rit.**

The musical score begins with a piano introduction in 4/4 time. The right hand features a complex, chromatic melody with many accidentals, while the left hand provides a simple bass line. The tempo is marked 'Adagio' and the mood is 'misterioso'. The piece concludes with a 'rit.' (ritardando) marking.

3 **Andantino** VALET

*8<sup>va</sup>*

*mf*

A - ny - bo - dy here need a wise man? 'Cause

The musical score for the Valet's entrance is in 4/4 time, marked 'Andantino'. The Valet's vocal line is in the bass clef, and the piano accompaniment is in the treble and bass clefs. The piano part features a steady eighth-note accompaniment in the right hand and a simple bass line in the left hand. The tempo is 'Andantino' and the dynamic is 'mf'. The Valet's lyrics are: 'A - ny - bo - dy here need a wise man? 'Cause

5

if that's true, I'm here for you! I'm a wise, wise, wise, wise man. I'm the

The musical score continues with the Valet's vocal line and piano accompaniment. The Valet's lyrics are: 'if that's true, I'm here for you! I'm a wise, wise, wise, wise man. I'm the

7

wis-est of some ve-ry wise men. When a - ny - bo - dy here needs a wise man, then I

The musical score concludes with the Valet's vocal line and piano accompaniment. The Valet's lyrics are: 'wis-est of some ve-ry wise men. When a - ny - bo - dy here needs a wise man, then I

9

em-pha-size that I'm the one to call. You'll fall for all my wis-dom, as I a-na-lyze the

Detailed description: This system contains measures 9 and 10. The vocal line is in bass clef. The piano accompaniment consists of two staves: the upper staff is in bass clef and the lower staff is in treble clef. The music is in a 2/4 time signature with a key signature of one sharp (F#).

11

small or tal - lest pro-blems as they all a-rise! I'll scru-ti-nize and then re-or-ga-nize your

Detailed description: This system contains measures 11 and 12. The vocal line is in bass clef. The piano accompaniment consists of two staves: the upper staff is in treble clef and the lower staff is in bass clef. The music continues in the same 2/4 time signature and key signature.

13

*poco rit.* . . . . . **A tempo**

point of view!

Detailed description: This system contains measures 13 and 14. The vocal line is in bass clef. The piano accompaniment consists of two staves: the upper staff is in treble clef and the lower staff is in bass clef. The tempo marking changes from 'poco rit.' to 'A tempo' between measures 13 and 14.

15

A - ny - one re-quire an ad-vice man? If so, that's great! I'll set you straight! I'll ex -

Detailed description: This system contains measures 15 and 16. The vocal line is in bass clef. The piano accompaniment consists of two staves: the upper staff is in treble clef and the lower staff is in bass clef. The music continues in the same 2/4 time signature and key signature.

17

tem - po - rize a plan! I'm the prize a-mong some ve-ry wise men. I

19

spe - cia - lize in pro-blems that a-rise be - tween a man and wife. I

21

mi - ni - mize the doubts that soon a - rise, and

*poco rit.*

22

lead to mar - ried strife. In- stead, may I ad - vise

a hap - py life? Ev' - ry - bo - dy here needs a wise man. I

know that's true! There's no ta - boo! Ask ad - vice from a wise man! Ask the

prize a-mong some ve-ry wise men! As ev'-ry-bo-dy here needs a wise man, I must

rit. . . . .

em-pha-size that I'm the one you need. Take heed! And you'll suc-ceed!—

VALET

## vii. The Call of the Charm

Come! Come! I'm ready to read your minds. Well, now...

Ah! \_\_\_\_\_ And so, the critical question:

Will your love and passion last for life? Certainly it will, if... If... If you obtain a

charm. A love charm. Where will you find this amulet? This talisman of lasting

14

love? You must seek with-in the cir-cle of one fam'-ly,\_\_\_\_\_ for that is

18

where it lies, as it sanc-ti-fies. En-cir-cled by the love of fam'-ly,\_\_\_ that's where you'll

22

find this prize, hid-den in dis-guise. You shall know it by its ma-ny

25

co-lors.\_\_\_\_\_ Though it's hid-den, you shall see it clear-ly.\_\_\_\_\_ Seek it most sin-cere-ly.

29

## PRINCESS



We must seek and find a cer-tain spe-cial fam'-ly... for that is where it lies, as it

...sin - cere - ly.

Co-lors! \_\_\_\_\_ Bril-liant co-lors! \_\_\_\_\_

## PRINCE



We must seek and find a cer-tain spe-cial fam'-ly... for that is where it lies, as it

33



sanc - ti - fies. En - cir-cled by one lov - ing fam' - ly, \_\_\_\_\_ that's where we'll

Co-lors! \_\_\_\_\_

So mere - ly \_\_\_\_\_



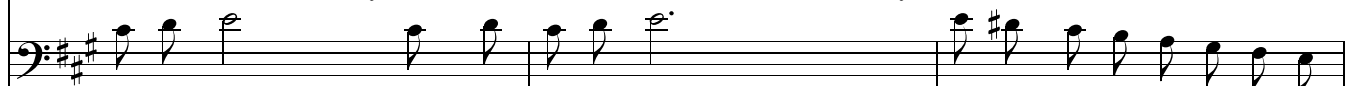
sanc - ti - fies. En - cir-cled by one lov - ing fam' - ly, \_\_\_\_\_ that's where we'll

36



find this prize.. ...see through its dis-guise. We shall know it by its ma - ny

— seek sin-cere- ly. \_\_\_\_\_ You'll see it clear-ly. \_\_\_\_\_



find this prize.. ...see through its dis-guise. We shall know it by its ma - ny



39

co-lors. — Though it's hid-den, we shall see it clear-ly. —

Co-lors! Yes! Clear-ly! I see that you shall find the

co-lors. — Though it's hid-den, we shall see it clear-ly. —

43

charm of love with-in this place. — Though seem-ing com-mon-place, — it shall ap-pear right here, —

46

— so near in time and space. — So, there is no-thing more for me to say to-day. The charm will

[ The Prince pays for the advice and the Valet makes his exit.]

50

come to you, that's true. To - day. Co-lors! Hmm...

## Allegretto

## viii. The Visitations

PRINCESS

Dar-ling, do you think... Do— you think we're spen-ding our mo-ney wise - ly?

4

PRINCE

That's not what I mean.

Of course, my dear! We're talk-ing a-bout sim-ply the wis-est of men!

7

But, e - ven so...

Dear, I know what you mean. Look here, Beau-teous!

9

My va-let has been with me for three weeks now. He's as loy-al an em-plo-ye-e as they come!

11

If my va-let says this wise man is in-deed the ma-gi-cal, most my-sti-cal, mi-

13

ra-cu-lous of men, well, that's good e-nough for me.

[The Valet re-enters, having shed his disguise.]

15

VALET  
Your ro-yal high-ness-es? The Mayor has come to of-fer you the

18

[ The Mayor enters with great pomp and ceremony.]  
keys to the ci-ty.  
PRINCE  
Bid him en-ter.

22

rit. . . . . Adagio

VALET

The right hon'-ra-ble Mayor of the ci-ty.

25

Andante

MAYOR

Your ro-yal high-ness-es, we

30

ce-le-brate your wed-ding by of-fe-ring the keys to the gates of our town. Your ro-yal high-ness-es do

34

e-le-vate the spread-ing of mer-ri-ment and joy for our state and the crown. I take plea-sure and

38

pride in pre-sen-ting to you the keys to our ci-ty. I speak for all your lo-yal

*mf* *p*

43

*rit.* . . . . .

sub-jects when I say I wish for you all the hap-pi-ness in the world.\_\_\_\_

47

**A tempo**

{ Mayor begins to exit. }

**PRINCE**

Mayor! One mo-ment more! Are you a mar-ried man?

*f*

52

**PRINCESS**

In-deed. Mar-ried for thir-ty years.\_\_\_\_ Thir-ty years.\_\_\_\_

Thir-ty years? Then in - deed, you must have the ans- wer to

57

rit. . . . . A tempo

MAYOR

Ah! Life-long hap - pi - ness. Yet, what is hap-pi-ness it -  
tru-ly true\_ hap-pi - ness.

62

Allegretto

self? How do we mea-sure hap-pi - ness a - cross some span of time? How

68

rit. . . . .

can we place one va - lue on what's com-mon or sub - lime?

73

Adagio

Al - though I have act - ed the hap - py man, hea - vy the bur - den I

77

bear, and si - lent my wife's des - pair.

80

rit. . . . . A tempo

For fate has ex - act - ed a wretch - ed plan, gran - ting no child as an

84

heir. De - ny - ing our heart - felt prayer. Hence I play that I'm ha' - ha' - ha' - ha' - ha'

88

[ The Mayor exits, weeping.]

Andantino

hap - py. -

93

VALET

**Meno mosso**

Sire, may I pre-sent Sir Bum-ble and La-dy Jol-ly-jaws.

**Andantino**

[ Sir Bumble and Lady Jollyjaws enter with their own great pomp and ceremony.]

96

*f*

100

LADY JOLLYJAWS

Your ro-yal high-ness - es,.....we ce-le-brate your wed- ding,.....bring - ing you a to-ken of

**SIR BUMBLE**

Your ro - yuh... We... ..bri...

*mf*

104

our high es-teem. Your ro-yal high-ness-es il - lu-mi-nate the spread-ing of mer-ri-ment and joy for your

We... (Dear...) (Dear...)



108

no - ble re-gime. Well? Well?

Dear! I have some-thing to say! Uh-uh-uh!\_\_ Your

112

rit. . . . .

A tempo

It's just his al - ler-gies. Your ro-yal high-ness-es, we

ma - jes- ties.... Uh... (Oh dear!)

116

con-se-crate your wed-ding by bring-ing these gifts as a sign of our love. Our

Your wed-ding! That's it! There-of's a sign of our

PRINCESS Andante

120

Dar-ling, do you think... should  
love. Our love. (Quite nice-ly said.)  
love. (Thanks.)

124

— we ask the ques- tion? My prince will find the an- swer.  
**PRINCE**  
Per- haps, my dear. Your prince will ask the ques- tion.

128

**PRINCESS**  
**LADY JOLLYJAWS** Twen-ty years! Then in-  
Twen-ty years!  
Sir Knight, La- dy, have you been mar-ried long? **SIR BUMBLE**  
(Twen - ty years?)

132

deed you must have the answer to true hap-pi - ness? **PRINCE**

**SIR BUMBLE** You've been  
(Twen - ty years? Real - ly?)

136

**LADY JOLLYJAWS**

Chil - dren? Oh, yes!

blessed with chil- dren?

(Twen - ty years?)

139

*rit.* . . . . .

**A tempo**

Lots of chil - dren! One for ev' - ry year of wed - ded bliss

**Presto**

142 **PRINCE**

This is a most ex - tr'or - di - na - ry sto - ry, I must say, and to be mar - ried

147

for so long seems love that's here to stay. Be - ing as fruit - ful as you've been, you

152

sure - ly must con - fess to fin - ding out the se - cret of a - bi - ding hap - pi - ness.

**Meno mosso**

158

**PRINCESS**

*rit.* . . . . .

Chil - dren? Please. . . . .

Is it chil - dren? Tell us, please. . . . .

### ix. A Lady's Advice

*A patter song*

**Allegretto**

**LADY JOLLYJAWS**

Sire, mean no dis-res-pect, but, but, do you have a-ny i - dea what it means to wash?

Wash-ing for twen-ty is plen - ty of clothes. Twen - ty of those lit - tle blou-ses and breech-es, and

shorts for the beach-es;che-mise, if you please, and pants torn at the knees. There's night-shirts and dres-sing gowns,

hand - me - downs, all kinds of clothes. And can you i - ma-gine how

18

much twen-ty chil-dren can eat? Break-fast a-lone is an ea-ger af-fair! Mea-ger what's left when, be-

23

lea-guered and har-ried, the kit-chen has fer-ried what - e - ver we had to pre - pare.

27

Then the cup-board is bare! How un - fair! Nap's time\_(close their lit-tle yaps time)\_comes

32

ne-ver too quick-ly for me. Sleep's time! Ne-ver hear their peeps! I'm\_ at last free from all that com-

37 rit.

Andantino

mo-tion, an o-cean of noise from a storm-tossed sea.

43

Are you pre-pared to sac-ri-fice your pri-va-cy to have chil- dren? Think be-fore you have off-spring!

49

What do chil-dren bring? It-sy, bit-sy ba-bies change ev'-ry - thing!

57

Are you sug - ges-ting tos-sing out se - re-ni-ty to raise chil- dren? Peace and qui-et flee a house-hold when

A Love Charm

Adagietto

63

rit. . . . .

fro-lic is in full swing. . . . . What a rude a-wa-ken - ing! . . . . . At mor-ning cof-fee, we are

70

lan-guish-ing; then those lit tle mis-chief ma-kers hol-ler with a hor-ri-fy-ing yelp! . . . . . While,

77

o-ver noth-ing they'll be an-guish-ing, pan-de-mon-ium's break-ing out as some-one's run-ning quick-ly, cry-ing

Poco più mosso

rit. . . . . Andantino

82

"Help!" "He hit me first!" "Well, he hit me worst!" . . . . . Ring a-round the

*delicato*



90

rit. . . .

A tempo

ro - sy. Are-n't chil-dren co - zy? — You can't be se-ri-ous in think-ing

97

that you tru-ly want chil-dren! Pa-ren-ting is long suf-fring if it's a - ny - thing. Cer-tain-ly it's not a

104

rit. . . .

Adagietto

ca - su - al fling. — Ti - ny ba-bies wear

112

dia - pers, — and dia-pers col - lect the most ghast-ly of things! My breed-ing pre-vents me from

rit. . . . . A tempo

120

tell - ing it all, but how can that come from a ba - by so small? Soon those

127

tod - dlers stu - dy for the pot - ty. . . . . We thought the end sure - ly was ne - ver, e - ver clear - ly near. But

134

ac - ci - dents hap - pen back there in the rear, and when they cry, "Mom - my," you've some - thing to fear!

142 . . . . . **Andantino**

You must be cau - ti - ous and con - si - der what it means to have chil - dren. All those hours of

148

wash-ing. Con-stant cla-mor - ing. Dai-ly liv-ing at its most pu-nish - ing. Con-

155

cise ad - vice, to be pre - cise: Think of shop-ping, laun-dry,

163

rit. . . . . Adagio

trip-ping on toys, squab - bling, tan- trums, par-ties and noise. Heed my cau-tion-ing;

170

Andantino

curb that han-ker-ing. Think on these things. (I dare not speak of the teen-age years!)—

x. Next!

Andantino

LADY JOLLYJAWS

Your high-ness, my hus-band and I wish you hap-pi-ness. Great hap-pi-ness!\_

*mp*

6

[ Sir Bumble drags Lady Jollyjaws away, ignominiously.]

VALET

(And not a mo-ment too soon!) Next!

**SIR BUMBLE**

C'-c'-come, dear. The chil-dren are wait - ing.

[ A humble shepherd and shepherdess enter. ]

A tempo

11

Andante

rit. . . . .

SHEPHERDESS

Your ma-jes-ties, we bring you

**SHEPHERD**

Your ma-jes-ties, we bring you

*f*

15

**molto rit.** . . . . . **A tempo**

gifts from our harv - est and from our home. Hum-ble, heart-felt gifts.

gifts from our harv - est and from our home. Hum-ble, heart-felt gifts.

*mp*

**PRINCESS**

20

We are touched by your gifts,... for your lives are sure-ly hard. Your hap-py hours so few.

**PRINCE**

Yes... So few.

*p*

**Allegretto**

26

**SHEPHERDESS**

Mis-tress, no! Our lives are filled with love.

**SHEPHERD**

Mis-tress, no! Our lives are filled with love.

*mf*

31

Our chil-dren are of to - mor - row;— our

PRINCE Our chil-dren are of to - mor - row;— our

But what of chil-dren?

37

**Meno mosso**

love is of to - day. PRINCESS Joy. Won-der.

Pray, tell us of that love.

love is of to - day. Joy. Won-der.

43

**, molto rit. . .****Andante**

Gra - ti - tude. All these co - lor love.

Gra - ti - tude. All these co - lor love. VALET

(Co-lors! Yes, please.)

col canto

xi. Colors

49 Adagio

SHEPHERDESS

In love, we toil to - ge - ther. De - light\_\_ in love. Bright are the

SHEPHERD

In love, we toil to - ge - ther. De - light\_\_ in love. Bright are the

58 rit. Adagio tranquillo

shin - ing vi - sions of match - less love. From in - fant greens of spring - time, and plat' - num of the

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snow, and from each yel - low, red and a - zure blue, a rain - bow prism - ed

snow, and from each yel - low, red and a - zure blue, a rain - bow prism - ed

69 **rit.** . . . . . **A tempo** **rit.** . . . . .

af - ter-glow, we have built our love. Built a life - long love.

af - ter-glow, we have built our love. Built a life - long love.

74 **A tempo**

'Neath bur-nished gold of sun - sets, washed crim - son cin - na - mon,

'Neath bur-nished gold of sun - sets, washed crim - son cin - na - mon,

79

and un - der pink and blue-tinged soar - ing clouds, burnt am - ber from the set - ting

and un - der pink and blue-tinged soar - ing clouds, burnt am - ber from the set - ting



84 **poco rit.** . . .

sun, we have nur-tured love. Tas - ted trea-sured love.

sun, we have nur-tured love. Tas - ted trea-sured love.

*f*

Detailed description: This block contains the musical notation for measures 84 through 88. It features two vocal staves and a piano accompaniment. The vocal parts are in a soprano and alto register, both in a key with two sharps (D major). The lyrics are "sun, we have nur-tured love. Tas - ted trea-sured love." The piano accompaniment includes a dynamic marking of *f* (forte) and consists of arpeggiated chords and moving lines in both hands.

89 **rit.** . . .

We walk in love to - ge-ther. Through

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*mp*

Detailed description: This block contains the musical notation for measures 89 through 94. It features two vocal staves and a piano accompaniment. The vocal parts continue with the lyrics "We walk in love to - ge-ther. Through". The piano accompaniment includes a dynamic marking of *mp* (mezzo-piano) and features a more complex texture with arpeggiated figures and sustained chords.

**Adagio tranquillo**

95

a - me-thyst of twi - light, the moon shines sil - ver white; it's crowned by

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Detailed description: This block contains the musical notation for measures 95 through 100. It features two vocal staves and a piano accompaniment. The vocal parts begin with the lyrics "a - me-thyst of twi - light, the moon shines sil - ver white; it's crowned by". The piano accompaniment is characterized by a slow, arpeggiated accompaniment in both hands, consistent with the *Adagio tranquillo* tempo.

*poco rit.*

100

my -riad dia-mond daz-zling stars in the e - bo - ny of qui - et night.

my -riad dia-mond daz-zling stars in the e - bo - ny of qui - et night.

105

Si - lent times of bliss, sanc-tioned by each kiss. Fire's fer-vent o-range

Si - lent times of bliss, sanc-tioned by each kiss. Fire's fer-vent o-range

111

**Adagio tranquillo**

em - bers beam with love. As soft sha - dows flee in mor - ning, the

em - bers beam with love. As soft sha - dows flee in mor - ning, the

117

lu - mi - nes - cence grows. In it, the gen - tle streams of can - dle - light gleam

lu - mi - nes - cence grows. In it, the gen - tle streams of can - dle - light gleam

The piano accompaniment features a steady eighth-note pattern in the right hand and a similar pattern in the left hand, with some chords and rests.

122

*rit.*

bright through mauves and in - - - di - gos. In these, our

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The piano accompaniment includes a section of sixteenth-note runs in the right hand, marked with a forte (*f*) dynamic and a fermata. The left hand has a steady eighth-note accompaniment. The piece concludes with a *subito p* (subito piano) dynamic marking and a fermata.

126

*molto rit.*

love burns on; \_\_\_\_\_ these vi-sions co-lor our love. \_\_\_\_\_ Love.

love burns on; \_\_\_\_\_ these vi-sions co-lor our love. \_\_\_\_\_ Love.

The piano accompaniment features a slow, sustained harmonic texture with long notes and chords, creating a dreamy atmosphere.

## xii. Lessons Learned

Andante

PRINCESS

This is what was fore-told. This is the a-mu-let. A love charm. An un-seen, yet

*mp*

6 *rit.* *Allegretto*

vi-si-ble, link bet ween man and wife.

PRINCE

We should have

11

known. We should have seen this clear-ly. Found it in our-selves. We should have known.

16 *Meno mosso*

We did not need a wise, wise, wise wise man. Not the wis-est of some ve-ry wise men.

19 VALET

rit. . . . . Allegretto

Uh - oh! My  
Va - let! "Lo - yal" va - let!

*mf*

[ The Valet blurts out a confession, believing all to be known.]

Lord, I meant no harm to you, but what was I sup-posed to do? Your wed-ding was a fine de-but, but,

next day on, you're in a stew. From all your loy - al re - ti-nue, could a - ny-one not mis - con-strue your

fears of mar - ried strife?\_\_\_ And now, there's still no harm to you, thanks



46

VALET

Though I must, I hate to ask, what do you have in  
 pa-lace needs a lot of work. Back break-ing work.

50

PRINCESS

Andante

He could dig a new moat.  
 mind? A- las,\_\_\_ my lum-ba - go! What if I made a  
 PRINCE  
 Well....

54

PRINCESS

Such as what?  
 con-tri-bu- tion?What if I used this mo-ney wise-ly?Would I be for - giv'n? Les-sons  
 PRINCE  
 Such as?

[ The Valet offers the money to the Shepherd and Shepherdess, who are overwhelmed.]

worth a ver-y prince-ly price.

VALET

Am I now for - gi - ven?

PRINCE

Va-let!

PRINCESS

Andante

[ The Valet exits to do the Prince's bidding.]

Cham-pagne,

Cham-pagne, sire!

Back in my em-ploy. Cham - pagne!\_\_\_\_\_



72

SHEPHERDESS

*molto rit.*

Thank you.

PRINCESS

SHEPHERD Oh, no! It's you we should thank. Thank you.---

Thank you.

PRINCE

Thank you... Thank you.

*Adagio*

*rit.*

*A tempo*

77

SHEPHERDESS

...and walk in love at twilight, when moon shine's silver

PRINCESS

We'll build our life together and walk in love at twilight, when moon shine's silver

SHEPHERD

...and walk in love at twilight, when moon shine's silver

PRINCE

We'll build our life together and walk in love at twilight, when moon shine's silver

83

white. We shall be crowned with my-riad dia-mond stars in the e-bo-ny of  
 white. We shall be crowned with my-riad dia-mond stars in the e-bo-ny of  
 white. We shall be crowned with my-riad dia-mond stars in the e-bo-ny of  
 white. We shall be crowned with my-riad dia-mond stars in the e-bo-ny of

88

*rit.*

qui-et night. Si-lent times of bliss, sanc-tioned by each kiss.  
 qui-et night. Si-lent times of bliss, like this, sanc-tioned by each kiss.  
 qui-et, shin-ing night. Si-lent times of bliss, sanc-tioned by each kiss.  
 qui-et, shin-ing night. Si-lent times of bliss, like this, sanc-tioned by each kiss.

94

**A tempo**

**rit.** . . . . .

**A tempo**

Our fi-re's glo-wing em-bers beam with love. As bright sha-dows steal from

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101

mor - ning, the lu - mi - nes - cence grows, and gen - tle streams of

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mor - ning, the lu - mi - nes - cence grows, and gen - tle streams of

106

rit.

can - dle - light gleam bright with love and sweet re -

can - dle - light gleam bright with love and sweet re -

can - dle - light gleam bright with love and sweet re -

can - dle - light gleam bright with love and sweet re -

109

Largo

pose. In these will love burn on, in all the co-lors of love.

pose. In these will love burn on, in all the co-lors of love.

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116 *molto rit.* **Allegretto**

Our love.  
Our love.  
Our love. **VALET**  
Cham-pagne for ev'-ry-bo-dy here!  
Our love.

122

126 *rit.*

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