

ART SONG TRANSPOSITIONS

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

Bright is the ring of words

No. 8 from *Songs of Travel* | Poet: Robert Louis Stevenson (1850-1894)

in B major



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Moderato risoluto

f

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risoluto

Detailed description: This system contains the first two measures of the piece. The vocal line begins with a whole rest, followed by a half note 'Bright', a quarter note 'is', a quarter note 'the', a quarter note 'ring', and a half note 'of words'. The piano accompaniment starts with a series of sixteenth notes in the right hand and a bass line in the left hand. The key signature has four sharps (F#, C#, G#, D#) and the time signature is 3/4. The tempo is 'Moderato risoluto' and the dynamic is 'f'.

When the right man rings them, Fair the

Detailed description: This system contains measures 3 through 6. The vocal line continues with 'When the right man rings them,' followed by a measure rest, then 'Fair the'. The piano accompaniment continues with similar rhythmic patterns. At the end of the system, there is a change in time signature to 3/4 and a 'pva' (pianissimo) marking with a dashed line.

fall of songs when the singer sings them.

Detailed description: This system contains measures 7 through 10. The vocal line continues with 'fall of songs' followed by a measure rest, then 'when the singer sings them.'. The piano accompaniment continues with similar rhythmic patterns. At the end of the system, there is a change in time signature to 3/4.

10

Still they are ca - rolled and said On

legato mp

13

wings they are car - ried Af - ter the

p

16

sing - er is dead And the mak - er

poco ritard.

pp

18

bur - ied.

pp

Red.

20 *pp*

Low as the sing - er lies In the field of

pp

*

23

heath - er, Songs of his fash - ion

26

bring The swains to - geth - er. And when the

29

west is red With the sun - set

32

em - - - bers, *la melodia ben marcato* The

p

35

lov - er lin - gers and sings,

rall.

pp molto più lento

38

And the maid re - mem - bers.

colla voce

pp molto più lento

rall.

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