

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 C major



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Moderato risoluto

f

Bright is the ring of words

f
risoluto

Detailed description: This system contains the first five measures of the piece. The vocal line begins with a whole rest, followed by the lyrics 'Bright is the ring of words'. The piano accompaniment features a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes in the right hand and a more active bass line in the left hand. The tempo is marked 'Moderato risoluto' and the dynamic is 'f'.

When the right man rings them, Fair the

Detailed description: This system contains measures 4 through 6. The vocal line continues with 'When the right man rings them, Fair the'. The piano accompaniment maintains its rhythmic texture, with some changes in chord voicing. The time signature changes from 3/4 to 3/4 (indicated by a 3 over the 4).

fall of songs when the singer sings them.

Detailed description: This system contains measures 7 through 9. The vocal line concludes with 'fall of songs when the singer sings them.'. The piano accompaniment continues with similar rhythmic patterns, ending with a final chord. The time signature changes from 3/4 to 3/4 (indicated by a 3 over the 4).

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Still they are ca - rolled and said On

legato
mp

13

wings they are car - ried Af - ter the

p

p

16

sing - er is dead And the mak - er

poco ritard.

poco ritard.

18

bur - - - ied.

pp

Red.

20 *pp*

Low as the singer lies In the field of

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.

38

pp molto più lento

And the maid re - mem - bers.

colla voce

pp molto più lento

rall.

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