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WHAT JOY TO BE NEAR THEE
SERENADE

WRITTEN, COMPOSED & AFFECTIONATELY INSCRIBED TO HER PUPIL

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*ALLEGRO,
MODERATO.*

My gon.....do..la glides o'er the

sil.....very wave, While the qui.....et blue wa.....ters its sides gently

lave, No mur..mur is round me, a.....bove, or be..neath, Save the

dolce.

mur..mur...ing mu...sic the soft zephyrs breathe, The bright orb of

pp

dolce.

night which is beaming on high, The brilliants that sparkle all

expressivo.

o'er the blue sky, The beauties of nature which round me I

cres *ad lib.*

see Will love...li...er seem when I view them with thee- My

cres

a tempo. rit

gon.....dola glides o'er the sil.....very wave, While the qui.....et blue.

tempo. cres

wa.....ters its sides gently lave, No mur.....mur is round me, a...

bove or be.....neath, Save the murmur...ing mu.....sic the soft zephyrs

pp

breathe, Save the murmur...ing mu.....sic the soft zephyrs breathe.

The first system of music features a vocal line on a single staff with a treble clef and a key signature of two flats. The piano accompaniment is written for grand piano with two staves (treble and bass clefs). The music begins with a series of chords in the piano part, followed by a vocal entry.

The second system continues the vocal and piano parts. The vocal line has the lyrics "What joy to be near thee, my". The piano accompaniment includes a *ral.* (rallentando) marking. The system concludes with a double bar line.

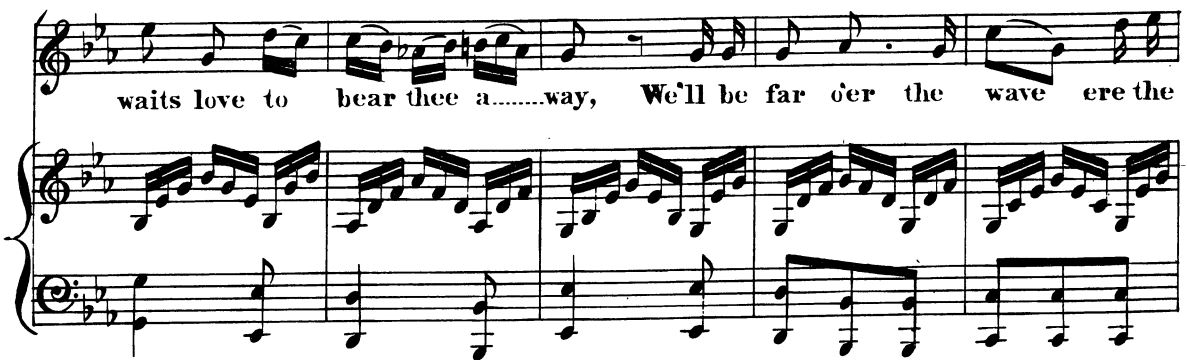
The third system continues the vocal and piano parts. The vocal line has the lyrics "lov'd one, mine own, Thou art beauty's fair queen, And this heart is thy". The piano accompaniment includes *ral.* and *tempo.* markings. The system concludes with a double bar line.

The fourth system continues the vocal and piano parts. The vocal line has the lyrics "throne, I vow to be constant for ever to thee, And my". The piano accompaniment continues with a steady accompaniment. The system concludes with a double bar line.

witness those bright constel...la...tions shall be: My gon.....dola



waits love to bear thee a.....way, We'll be far o'er the wave ere the

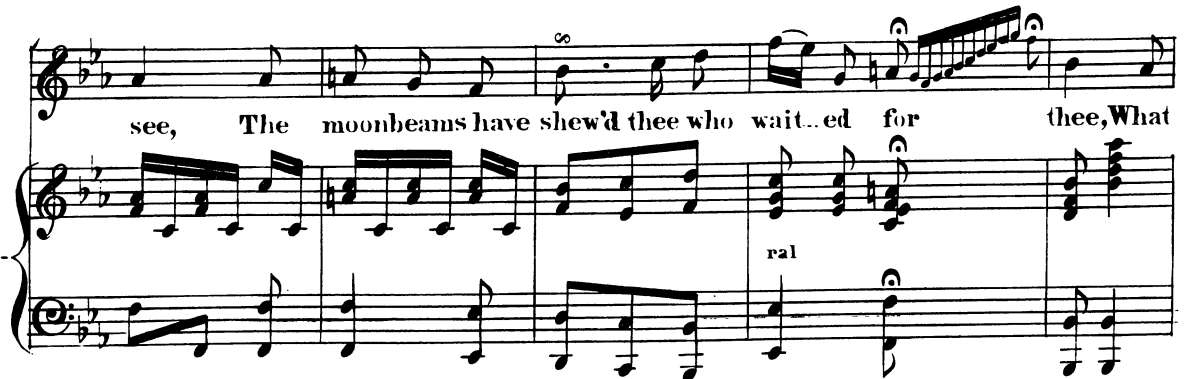


first streak of day- Oh now thou art coming, thy dear form I



see, The moonbeams have shew'd thee who wait...ed for thee, What

ral



joy to be near thee, my lov'd one, mine own, Thou art beauty's fair

queen and this heart is thy throne, I vow to be con.... stant for

ev....er to thee - And my wit...ness those bright constellations shall be - And my

witness those bright constellations shall be.