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VOX MATRIS
Mother's Voice

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(1923)

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Semplice

Soprano 1
Soprano 2
Alto 1
Alto 2
Piano

p

I have giv-en_____

p

I have giv-en_____

p

I have giv-en_____

p

I have giv-en_____

p

senza ped.

molto rall. . . . ♩=58

6

S. *mp*
I have giv-en you sight be- yond my eyes.

A. *mp*
I have giv-en you sight be- yond my eyes.

Pno. *mp* *leggiero* *p*
Ped.

11

S. *molto rall.* *A tempo* *accel.* . . .
I have giv-en you sight Be- yond my eyes,

A. *molto rall.* *A tempo* *accel.* . . .
I have giv-en you sight Be- yond my eyes,

Pno. *pp* *p*
molto rall. *A tempo* *accel.* . . .

14 *mf* *rit.*

S. be - yond my eyes — For

A. be - yond my eyes — For

Pno.

16 *mp*

S1 star-braid - ed moun - tains and all things in - vis - i - ble, For

S2 star-braid - ed moun - tains and all things in - vis - i - ble, For

A1 star-braid - ed moun - tains and all things in - vis - i - ble, For

A2 star-braid - ed moun - tains and all things in - vis - i - ble, For

Pno. *mf* *mp* *p*

19 *poco accel.* *mf* *f* $\text{♩} = 84$

S1 all things in - vis - i - ble and a - maz - ing.

S2 all things in - vis - i - ble and a - maz - ing.

A1 all things in - vis - i - ble and a - maz - ing.

A2 all things in - vis - i - ble and a - maz - ing.

Pno. *mp* *mf* *f* *mp* *mp* *Ped.*

24 *rit.*

S. I have ta - ken a fra - gile fire I have ta - ken a

A. I have ta - ken a fra - gile fire I have ta - ken a

Pno. (8) *p* *rit.*

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29 **A tempo** *mp* *mf*

S. fra-gile fire out of my heart That I might give you light_____ to

A. fra-gile fire out of my heart That I might give you light_____ to

A tempo
leggero

(8)

Pno. *mf*

32 **molto rit.** *mf*

S. find a shin - ing, a

A. find a shin - ing, a

(8)

Pno. *molto rit.*

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44

p *mp* *p*

And this dis-as-trous dark-ness

S1 *pp*
sha-dows this dark-ness.

S2 *pp*
sha-dows this dark-ness.

A1 *pp*
sha-dows this dark-ness.

A2 *pp*
sha-dows this dark-ness.

Pno.

50

mp *poco accel.*

S. I have giv-en you the sing-ing of my

A. *mp* I have giv-en you the sing-ing of my

p *mp* *poco accel.*

Pno.

ped.

55 $\text{♩} = 90$

S. *mf* veins For a mel-o - dy, _____ for a mel-o - dy; _____ *mp*

A. *mf* veins For a mel-o - dy, _____ for a mel-o - dy; _____ *mp*

Pno. $\text{♩} = 90$ *mf* *mp*

60

S1 *mf* It shall out - soar _____ all prayers, _____ *f* it shall out - soar _____ all

S2 *mf* It shall out - soar _____ all prayers, _____ *f* out - soar _____ all

A1 *mf* It shall out - soar _____ *f*

A2 *mf* It shall out - soar _____ *f* all prayers, out -

Pno. *mf*

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64

S1 *mf* *rit.* *mp*
prayers and all cry - ing, all cry - ing, and all

S2 *mf* *mp*
prayers, all cry - ing all cry - ing, and all

A1 *mf* *mp*
all cry - ing all cry - ing, and all

A2 *mf* *rit.*
soar all cry - ing, and all

Pno.

69

S1 *p*
si - lence.

S2 *p*
si - lence.

A1 *p*
si - lence.

A2 *p*
si - lence.

Pno. *mp* *A tempo*

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96

mp *mf* *accel.*

S1 drenched, drenched, am drenched with sun - ris - es__

S2 drenched, drenched, am drenched with sun - ris - es__

A1 drenched, drenched, am drenched with sun - ris - es__

A2 drenched, drenched, am drenched with sun - ris - es__

Pno.

Red.

7

100

mf *mf* *mf*

S1

S2 I am con -

A1 I am con -

A2 Dumb,

Pno.

Red.

7

96

103

S1 *mf* I am con -

S2 sumed I am con -

A1 sumed I am con -

A2 mu -

Pno.

105

S1 *f* sumed with mu - sic, with

S2 sumed with mu - sic, with

A1 *f* sumed with mu - sic, with

A2 *f* - - - sic. with

Pno.

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107 *rit.* *Tempo primo*

S1 mu - sic. _____

S2 mu - sic. _____ *mf* I have giv - en you sight

A1 mu - sic. _____

A2 mu - sic. _____

Pno. *rit.* *Tempo primo*

111 *mf* *molto rall.*

S1 I have giv - en you the sing - ing of my

S2 *mf* I have giv - en you the sing - ing of my

A1 *mf* I have giv - en a fra - gile fire of my

A2 *mf* I have giv - en you the sing - ing of my

Pno. *molto rall.* *p*

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114 A tempo

mp

S1 veins. Hav-ing giv-en all

S2 veins. Hav-ing giv-en all

A1 veins. Hav-ing giv-en all

A2 veins. Hav-ing giv-en all

Pno. A tempo

mp

118 Più mosso ♩=76

S1 things, pos-sess all things,

S2 things, I pos-sess all things,

A1 things, I pos-sess all things,

A2 things, I pos-sess all things,

Pno. Più mosso ♩=76

mp

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121

mf

S. Save you Save you

mf

A. on - ly.

Pno. *mf*

125

molto rall. $\text{♩} = 60$

mp

S. on - ly you.

mp

A. on - ly you.

molto rall. $\text{♩} = 60$

rit.

Pno. *p* *mp*

128

rit.

S.

A.

Pno. *pp* *ppp*