

8. Bitterroot

Lewis and Men's Chorus

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Largo sostenuto ♩ = 60

Tenor

Bass

Piano

mp *p* *pp* *pp*

the bru - tal peak ____ of

The Bit - ter - root, _____ of

5 *p*

moun - tains rise a - round us. A land of ice and snow and sleet where win - ter comes in Au - gust.

p

moun - tains rise a - round us. A land of ice and snow and sleet where win - ter comes in Au - gust.

5 *p* *mp*

8 *Lewis mp*

There is a voice with - in me cries _____ and these

8

11 *mf*

glass - y gla - ciers crags e - cho that cold and hun - gry sigh. I hear the wind's re - ply. _____

11 *mp*

15

p cresc.

The worst road ev - er hors - es passed our hors - es passed, and we trudge o - ver ice and ra - zor

p cresc.

The worst road ev - er hors - es passed our hors - es passed, and we trudge o - ver ice and ra - zor

15

p cresc.

mf *mp*

18 *dim.*

rock and starve _____ and ache _____ and freeze. _____

18 *dim.*

rock and starve _____ and ache _____ and freeze. _____

18 *dim.*

Lewis
21 *mp cresc.* *f*

The wind calls out: _____ "O pu - ny man, be - hold the vast - ness of the world. _____

21 *cresc.* *mf* *f*

24

Ye fleas who scamp - er o'er the back and rock - y

24 *ff* *mf* *mp*

shoul - ders of A - mer - i - ca." _____

the bru - tal peak _____ of

the bru - tal peak _____ of

The Bit - ter - root, _____ of

The Bit - ter - root, _____ of

26

28

moun - tains rise a - round us. A land of ice and snow and sleet where win - ter comes in Au - gust.

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28

Detailed description: This is a page of a musical score, page 68, containing measures 26 through 28. The score is written for a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The vocal line is in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 3/8 time signature. The piano accompaniment consists of two staves, treble and bass, also in 3/8 time. The music is marked with a forte (ff) dynamic. The lyrics are: 'shoul - ders of A - mer - i - ca.' followed by a long line, then 'the bru - tal peak' followed by a line, then 'the bru - tal peak' followed by a line, then 'The Bit - ter - root,' followed by a line, then 'The Bit - ter - root,' followed by a line, then 'moun - tains rise a - round us. A land of ice and snow and sleet where win - ter comes in Au - gust.' The piano accompaniment features chords and moving lines in both hands. Measure 26 is the first measure of the vocal line. Measure 28 is the first measure of the vocal line. The piano accompaniment continues throughout the page.

31 *p* very intensely

We have now nei - ther game nor food, nor com - fort, warmth nor clothes. We

p very intensely

We have now nei - ther game nor food, nor com - fort, warmth nor clothes. We

31

dim.

p

34 *mf* anguished

Poor pu - ny man.

pp

fol - low, stum - bling, on bruised feet wher - e'er our Cap - tain goes. _____

pp

fol - low, stum - bling, on bruised feet wher - e'er our Cap - tain goes. _____

34

pp

39 Lewis *mf* *mp* *p* *mp cresc.*

Where do you go? What do you seek? What can you know? Why

39

70 ⁴² *ff* [>]
 do you live? _____

ff
 The Bit - ter - root, _____ the bru - tal peak _____ of
ff
 The Bit - ter - root, _____ the bru - tal peak _____ of
ff
 The Bit - ter - root, _____ of

⁴² *ff*
 The Bit - ter - root, _____ of

⁴⁴ Lewis *mp*
 The ic - y
mf *dim.* *p*
 moun - tains rise a - round us. A land of ice and snow and sleet where win - ter comes in Au - gust.
mf *dim.* *p*
 moun - tains rise a - round us. A land of ice and snow and sleet where win - ter comes in Au - gust.
mf *dim.* *p*
 moun - tains rise a - round us. A land of ice and snow and sleet where win - ter comes in Au - gust.
mf *dim.* *p*
 moun - tains rise a - round us. A land of ice and snow and sleet where win - ter comes in Au - gust.

⁴⁴ *mf* *dim.* *p*
 moun - tains rise a - round us. A land of ice and snow and sleet where win - ter comes in Au - gust.

47 *p*

breeze cries out, _____ a lone hawk hov - ers where the win - ter air ech - oes my des - pair.

47 *p*

Recitative

51 *mf* *mp* *ten.* *p rit.*

Oh! The lone - ly ceil - ing of the world is on - ly half as bleak as the view I gaze up - on with - in the soul I

51 *rit.*

A tempo

55 *mp cresc.*

seek. _____ But, we pro - ceed - ed on. Through

pp

The Bit - ter - root, _____

pp

the bru - tal peak _____

55 *pp* *cresc. poco a poco*

Andante con moto $\text{♩} = 92$ *f*

poco accel.

58 ice storm and frost bite un - til we came un - to the sight of the Snake

mf

We came un - to the

Oo

poco accel.

58 *mp* *mf*

62 Riv - er and its ter - rif - ic cat - a - racts

sight of the Snake Riv - er and its ter -

We came un - to the Riv - er and its ter -

62 *f*

66

that lead to the Pa - cif - ic. The West - ern

rif - ic cat - a - racts that lead to the Pa - cif - ic.

rif - ic cat - a - racts that lead to the Pa - cif - ic.

70

Sea! The West - ern Sea! The win - ter waste of

The West - ern Sea!

The West - ern Sea! The West - ern Sea!

dim.

mp

74

rocks comes to an end _____ and we de - scend in - to the rush - ing wa - ters

and we de - scend in - to the rush - ing wa - ters

and we de - scend in - to the rush - ing wa - ters

79

rit. e dim. *p*

of the sea. _____ We have a - chieved _____ our goal: _____ A -

rit. e dim.

of the sea. _____ We have a - chieved _____ our goal: _____

rit. e dim.

of the sea. _____ We have a - chieved _____ our goal: _____

79

rit. e dim.

Nobly

♩ = 112

mp

85 mer - i - ca shall re - ceive this boun - ti - ful land in peace. _____ A -

85 *p* *sonore*

89 *cresc.* mer - i - ca shall re - ceive this boun - ti - ful land in peace.

f A - mer - i - ca shall re -

89 *mp* *cresc.* *f* A - mer - i - ca shall re -

94 ceive this boun - ti - ful land in peace. _____ A - mer - i - ca shall re -

94 ceive this boun - ti - ful land in peace. _____ A - mer - i - ca shall re -

76

98

Allegro moderato ♩ = 132

*mf**mp cresc.*

And soon we too will turn and face the sun, and

*rit. e dim.**mp*

ceive this boun-ti-ful land in peace.

*rit. e dim.**mp*

ceive this boun-ti-ful land in peace.

98

*rit. e dim.**mf*

fol-low its ris-ing back East, back home.

102

102

*mp cresc.**cresc.*

106

*allarg.**ff*

Soon we jour-ney towards the sun. Sweet home! Our

ff

Soon we jour-ney towards the sun. Sweet home! Our

106

ff

mp Tempo di Missouri $\text{♩} = 66$

77

109 *rit. e dim.*

voy - age done.

mp

voy - age done.

mp

voy - age done.

mp

voy *rit. e dim.* age done.

mp

111

rit.

rit.

8va