

4. The Word Machine

For Two-part Men's Chorus and Piano

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from *The Owl of Minerva*

Allegro agitato ♩ = 96

Piano

mp cresc.

mf dim.

4

mf

The word ma-chine writes & writes & writes it de - nudes north - ern for-ests to

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8

f

mf

get e - nough pa-per to eat _____ some - times it writes poems to the be -

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11 *f* *mf*

lov - ed but most-ly it writes a - bout the lov-er him-self ex - tra

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f *mp*

15 *poco rit.*

stamps show-ing a car-ri-er pi - geon ___ must be print - ed ___ to cir-cu-late so man-y

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19 **Slow, plodding** $\text{♩} = 66$ *mp*

words ___ wear - y post - men wear out their shoes

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p

23 *cresc.* *mf*
 mak-ing de-liv-er-ies _____ the be-lov-ed has had to buy a shred-der be-cause her

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31 **Allegro agitato** $\text{♩} = 96$ *non. ritard.*
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