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Act Two. Scene One

1

Innkeeper, Secretary, York, Lewis, Ordway, Clark, and Chorus

Expansively ♩ = 104

ff

5

poco accel.

Con moto ♩ = 120

mp cresc. poco a poco

9

allargando

dim.

Andante ♩ = 88

f

mp

13

Musical score for measures 18-22. The key signature is three sharps (F#, C#, G#). The time signature is 3/4. Measure 18 starts with a treble clef and a key signature change to three sharps. The right hand plays chords, and the left hand plays a descending eighth-note scale. Measure 22 ends with a 3/4 time signature change.

Allegro con spirito $\text{♩} = 69$

Musical score for measures 23-27. The key signature is three sharps. The time signature is 3/4. Measure 23 starts with a treble clef and a key signature change to three sharps. The right hand plays a series of eighth-note chords, and the left hand plays a descending eighth-note scale. The dynamic marking *pp cresc. poco a poco* is present.

Musical score for measures 28-31. The key signature is three sharps. The time signature is 3/4. Measure 28 starts with a treble clef and a key signature change to three sharps. The right hand plays a series of eighth-note chords, and the left hand plays a descending eighth-note scale. The dynamic marking *mf* is present.

Musical score for measures 32-35. The key signature is three sharps. The time signature is 3/4. Measure 32 starts with a treble clef and a key signature change to three sharps. The right hand plays a series of eighth-note chords, and the left hand plays a descending eighth-note scale.

Musical score for measures 36-39. The key signature is three sharps. The time signature is 3/4. Measure 36 starts with a treble clef and a key signature change to three sharps. The right hand plays a series of eighth-note chords, and the left hand plays a descending eighth-note scale.

(The crowd excitedly greets all of the explorers. York stands to the side watching in hopeful excitement.) ³

Chorus

40 *f* The Corps of Dis - cov - er - y, _____

40 *f* The Corps of Dis - cov - er - y, _____

40 *f* The Corps of Dis - cov - er - y, _____

40 *f* The Corps of Dis - cov - er - y, _____

mf

45 Home a - gain and safe, _____ Home to A - *cresc.*

45 Home a - gain and safe, _____ Home to A - *cresc.*

45 Home a - gain and safe, _____ Home to A - *cresc.*

45 Home a - gain and safe, _____ Home to A - *cresc.*

45 Home a - gain and safe, _____ Home to A - *cresc.*

51

Chorus

mer - i - ca! Huz - zah! Huz - zah!

mer - i - ca! Huz - zah! Huz - zah!

mer - i - ca! Huz - zah! Huz - zah!

mer - i - ca! Huz - zah! Huz - zah!

51

ff

56

Chorus

Huz - zah!

Huz - zah!

Huz - zah!

Huz - zah!

56

ff

Freely

(The scene changes to the Innkeeper's tavern.)

Inn-
keeper

61 *f*

Come, _____ you he - roes _____ from the West, to my hum - ble es -

61 *mf*

Inn-
keeper

65 *accel. poco a poco*

tab - lish - ment, _____ and dine and drink, en - joy a feast and tell of all your

65 *accel. poco a poco*

Inn-
keeper

69

bril - liant feats! _____

69

Chorus

72 *ff*
 Drink! Drink! And tell us your sto - ry! Drink! Drink! You sol - diers of glo - ry!

72 *ff*
 Drink! Drink! And tell us your sto - ry! Drink! Drink! You sol - diers of glo - ry!

72 *ff*
 Drink! Drink! And tell us your sto - ry! Drink! Drink! You sol - diers of glo - ry!

72 *ff*
 Drink! Drink! And tell us your sto - ry! Drink! Drink! You sol - diers of glo - ry!

Piano

72 *ff*

76 *mf cresc.* *ff*
 Drink deep in our love and praise for your mer - it. Drink bump - ers of ale and

Chorus

76 *mf cresc.* *ff*
 Drink deep in our love and praise for your mer - it. Drink bump - ers of ale and

76 *mf cresc.* *ff*
 Drink deep in our love and praise for your mer - it. Drink bump - ers of ale and

76 *mf cresc.* *ff*
 Drink deep in our love and praise for your mer - it. Drink bump - ers of ale and

Piano

76 *mf cresc.*

Chorus

80 *rit. e dim.*

ca - raves of cla - ret!

ca - raves of cla - ret!

ca - raves of cla - ret!

ca - raves of cla - ret!

80 *rit. e dim.*

ca - raves of cla - ret!

Secretary

Marcato $\text{♩} = 76$

mf

84

Cap - tain Mer - i - weth - er Lew - is, Pres - i - dent Thom - as Jef - fer - son has se -

mp

Secretary

88 *f* *rit.*

cured your e - lec - tion in the A - mer - i - can Phi - lo - soph - i - cal So - ci - e - ty!

York

88 *mf* *rit.*

And Cap - tain

York

93 *f a tempo*

Clark will se-cure my de - liv - er - ance in to an A - mer - i - can free so - ci - e - ty.

Lewis

97 *mp*

Al - low me, gen - tle - men, and charm - ing la - dies, to pro - pose a

Lewis

101 *f*

toast: _____ To Pres - i - dent Thom - as Jef - fer - son.

York

mf

To Thom - as

Chorus

f A toast! _____ To Thom - as Jef - fer - son!

f A toast! _____ To Thom - as Jef - fer - son!

f A toast! _____ To Thom - as Jef - fer - son!

101 *f* *mp* *f*

Detailed description: This is a page of a musical score for the song 'The Star-Spangled Banner'. It features three main vocal parts: York, Lewis, and a Chorus, along with piano accompaniment. The score is written in G major (one sharp) and 8/8 time. It includes various musical markings such as dynamics (f, mp, mf), tempo ('a tempo'), and phrasing slurs. The lyrics are printed below the vocal lines. The page number '8' is in the top left corner. The system numbers 93, 97, and 101 are indicated in boxes at the start of their respective staves.

York *f* solo marcato

106 Jef - fer - son, the man who penned that God made all men to be free! _____ What

Secretary

110 _____ *mf* Cap - tain Mer - i - weth - er

York

less can he grant to me?

Ordway

f A toast to the Cap - tains!

Chorus

To the Cap - tains!

110 To the Cap - tains!

Secretary

114 Lew - is to you is giv - en the gov - er - nor - ship of _____ the Lou -

mf

The musical score is written for five parts: York, Secretary, Ordway, Chorus, and Piano. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 8/8. The score is divided into measures, with measure numbers 106, 110, and 114 marked at the beginning of new lines. The lyrics are: 'Jef - fer - son, the man who penned that God made all men to be free! _____ What', 'Cap - tain Mer - i - weth - er', 'less can he grant to me?', 'A toast to the Cap - tains!', 'To the Cap - tains!', 'Lew - is to you is giv - en the gov - er - nor - ship of _____ the Lou -'. Musical markings include dynamics (*f*, *mp*, *mf*), articulation (*solo marcato*, accents), and phrasing slurs.

118

Secretary

ff

i - si - an - a Ter - ri - to - ry.

Clark

To the gov - er - nor!

Chorus

ff

To the gov - er - nor!

ff

To the gov - er - nor!

ff

To the gov - er - nor!

f

Secretary

122

mf

Cap - tain Wil - liam Clark, _____ to you is giv - en the ti - tle of a - gent to all the In - di - ans

122

*mp**cresc.**f**mp*

Secretary

127

in those lands. And we now pro - mote you to Brig - a - dier Gen - 'ral of the Lou -

127

Secretary *f* 131 i - si - an - a Mi - li - tia!

Lewis *ff* To the Gen - e - ral!

Chorus *ff* To the Gen - e - ral!

ff To the Gen - e - ral!

ff To the Gen - e - ral!

Piano *f* 131

York *mp cresc.* 135 Ti - tles here for ev - 'ry man and I will be en - ti - tled to

sub. mp cresc. 135

York *f* 139 stand, a free man.

f 139

The musical score is written for a vocal ensemble and piano. The vocal parts are Secretary, Lewis, Chorus, and York. The piano part is written for a grand piano. The score includes lyrics and dynamic markings such as *f*, *ff*, *mp*, and *cresc.*. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats). The time signature is 4/4. The score is divided into measures, with measure numbers 131, 135, and 139 indicated. The lyrics are: Secretary: i - si - an - a Mi - li - tia!; Lewis: To the Gen - e - ral!; Chorus: To the Gen - e - ral!; York: Ti - tles here for ev - 'ry man and I will be en - ti - tled to stand, a free man.

144 *mp*

Secretary In re - cog - ni - tion of your ser - vice to the na - tion, your grate - ful coun - try

148 *mf*

Secretary grants to you men a dou - ble por - tion; Dou - ble wag - es for each man and three hun - dred twen - ty

153

Secretary a - cres of land grant - ed free - ly for your use. *mf*

York A gov - ern - ment of such gen - e -

157 *accel.* *f*

Lewis A

York ros - i - ty! On - ly i - mag - ine what it will grant to me! *accel.*

157

Brindisi

$\text{♩} = 88$

Lewis
Clark

161

toast to ___ the en - list - ed men!

Chorus

A toast to ___ the en - list - ed men!

A toast to ___ the en - list - ed men!

161

166

Drink! Drink! And tell us your sto - ry! Drink! Drink! You sol - diers of glo - ry!

Chorus

Drink! Drink! And tell us your sto - ry! Drink! Drink! You sol - diers of glo - ry!

Drink! Drink! And tell us your sto - ry! Drink! Drink! You sol - diers of glo - ry!

Drink! Drink! And tell us your sto - ry! Drink! Drink! You sol - diers of glo - ry!

166

170

*mf cresc.**ff*

Chorus

Drink deep___ in our love and praise for your mer - it. Drink bump - ers of ale and

*mf cresc.**ff*

Drink deep___ in our love and praise for your mer - it. Drink bump - ers of ale and

*mf cresc.**ff*

Drink deep___ in our love and praise for your mer - it. Drink bump - ers of ale and

*mf cresc.**ff*

Drink deep___ in our love and praise for your mer - it. Drink bump - ers of ale and

170

mf cresc.

Ordway

174

*rit.**mf*

To the

ca - raves___ of cla - ret!___

ca - raves___ of cla - ret!___

ca - raves___ of cla - ret!___ And ca - raves___ of cla - ret!___

ca - raves___ of cla - ret!___ And ca - raves___ of cla - ret!___

174

*rit.**dim.*

Chorus

Marcato $\text{♩} = 76$ *mf*

York 178 To the Con - sti - tu - tion that lets each man be

Ordway Con - sti - tu - tion and our coun - try's lib - er - ty!

178 *mf* *mp cresc.*

York 182 *f* free!

Ordway *f* To Chris - to - pher Co - lum - bus who dis - cov - ered this great

Chorus *f* To the Con - sti - tu - tion! To

f To the Con - sti - tu - tion! To

f To the Con - sti - tu - tion! To

f To the Con - sti - tu - tion! To

182 *f* *mf* To the Con - sti - tu - tion! To

Ordway

Chorus

Chorus

land!

Chris - to - pher Co - lum - bus who dis - cov - ered this great land! ____

Chris - to - pher Co - lum - bus who dis - cov - ered this great land! ____

Chris - to - pher Co - lum - bus who dis - cov - ered this great land! ____ To great George

Chris - to - pher Co - lum - bus who dis - cov - ered this great land! ____

f

192

Wash - ing - ton, the fa - ther of his na - tion. Great George

To great George Wash - ing - ton, the fa - ther of his na - tion.

*poco marcato**poco marcato**poco marcato**poco marcato*

Chorus

197

great George Wash-ing - ton, the fa - ther of his na - tion. Great

fa - ther of his na - tion. Great George Wash - ing -

Wash - ing - ton! To great George Wash-ing - ton, the fa - ther of his

Great George Wash - ing - ton! To great George

197

Chorus

202

poco rit.

George Wash - ing - ton! ton! Wash - ing - ton!

ton! Wash - ing - ton! na - tion. Wash - ing - ton!

Wash - ing - ton, the fa - ther of his na - tion.

202

poco rit.

Freely

Inn-keeper

205 *mf* *f*

Come, _____ a fi - nal toast _____ be - fore day - light: To Cap - tains Lew - is and

205 *mp*

Brindisi

Inn-keeper

209 *poco accel.* *f*

Clark! _____

To Cap - tains Lew - is and Clark! _____ Huz - zah! _____ A - mer - i - ca! Huz -

Chorus

To Cap - tains Lew - is and Clark! _____ Huz - zah! A - mer - i - ca!

To Cap - tains Lew - is and Clark! _____ Huz - zah! _____ A - mer - i - ca! Huz -

To Cap - tains Lew - is and Clark! _____ Huz - zah! A - mer - i - ca!

209 *poco accel.* *f*

Chorus

214 *ff*
 zah! A - mer - i - ca!
 Huz - zah! A - mer - i - ca!
 zah! A - mer - i - ca!
 Huz - zah! A - mer - i - ca!

ff
dim. poco a poco

Chorus

219 *rit. poco a poco*
 (All leave except York and Clark..) *rit. poco a poco*
 219 *rit. poco a poco*
p

Andante calmato $\text{♩} = 66$

Clark

226 *mp* Come, York.

Clark

229 Car - ry my bag - gage off the barge. And make ar - range - ments be - fore you turn

Clark

232 *poco cresc.* *mf* in for my trip to Fin - cas - tle, Vir - gin - ia, where I plan to win my bride.

Clark

232 *poco cresc.*

York

235 *mf* (eagerly, and too familiarly) *mp* Yes, sir! _____ Then af - ter you set off, _____ I too will go back to

York

235 *mf* *mp*

238 *mf*

York
8 my own Ma - ry and wed her too.

Clark
mp intensely
What are you talk - ing, boy! _____

238

242 *mp hesitantly*

York
8 Am I not free to go?

Clark
(laughingly)
What put these thoughts in - to your thick black head?

242 *pp*

246 *mf*

York
8 But Mis - ter Clark!

Clark
ff *angrily*
Make the ar - range - ments, boy, then go to bad. Mas - ter Clark! _____

246 *ppp*

f

(York is stunned and both are frozen in the position of master and slave.)

250

York

p

I on - ly thought, _____

Clark

calm again mp

Don't

250

p

(Still laughingly. Clark has no concept at all that his tone can possibly insult a slave.

He's more like a rude, badgering father - not cruel but uncomprehending.)

254

Clark

trou - ble your head _____ with think - ing, boy. _____ Thought gets your sad black ass - es in such trou - ble!

254

(Even Clark can see that York isn't laughing. Then he gets it.)

258

sfz *p* *sfz* *p* *sfz* *p*

264

Clark

cresc.

Ah, I see. You were wor - ried that once I am mar - ried I would no long - er need my faith - ful

264

cresc.

268 *f* *vehemently* *dim.* 23

Clark
ser - vant. I prom - ise you, York, so long as I'm a - live, you will al - ways have your

268 *mf* *dim.*

York
I was hop - ing, Sir, for a dif - frent prom - ise.

Clark
ser - vice. *rit.*

272 *p* *molto espressivo* *rit.*

272 *p* *rit.*

Largo ♩ = 50
cresc. poco a poco

York
I nev - er ex - pec - ted to be paid in coin. I nev - er ex - pec - ted to be paid in land. I

277 *pp* *cresc. poco a poco*

282 *rit.* *f* *ten.* *mp* *slower*

York
nev - er ex - pec - ted to be paid in gov - ern - ment jobs, or wealth, or fame. On - ly I did ex - pect to be

282 *rit.* *ten.* *slower* *sonore* *mf* *p*

Larghetto ♩ = 54

York
paid. _____

Clark
mf amazed
Paid? Boy, you for-get your-self. You're a slave. _____

And al-ter-ing that _____ is

287

mf

York
all that I ask. _____

Clark
f
The beer has gone to your head, old boy. _____ *dim.*
Go sleep it off. _____ To -

292

dim.

York
rit. *mp* *espressivo*
Then I am still in ser-vi-tude? _____

Clark
p *espressivo*
mor-row we set off. _____ York, you are still your -

296

rit.
p *colla voce*

York *mf*

But, sir, *f* *growing angry* *ff* (raising his hand in anger)

self. Don't an - ger me now, York. Let it rest. LET IT REST!

Clark *mp* *p*

You are sim - ply un - ac - cus - tomed to be - ing home. That too shall

Clark *mf*

pass. And give me that coat. It's a mock - e - ry to have a

Clark *rit. e dim.* *pp*

slave dressed like a ser - geant.

(Clark exits. York is alone.)

Andante espressivo $\text{♩} = 60-66$

York **mf** **mp cresc. poco a poco**

Was it for this I wan-dered through the West? _____ Was it for this I did my lev-el

mf **mp cresc. poco a poco**

York **ff**

best _____ to serve _____ and to serve e-qual-ly? O God!

f

York

I have been de-ceived! _____

ff

(Scene changes to the Williams' household in Kentucky. Mary is alone.)

f **mf** **mp**

Act Two. Scene Two

Mary, Sara Williams and Ezekiel Williams

Andante espressivo $\text{♩} = 96$

Mary

1 *mp*

Have I been de - ceived think - ing I could have you?

6 *pp* *cresc.* *mp*

Have I let my heart play me for a damn fool? I know my

11 *mf* *bitterly* *p* *with sass*

place. I have al - ways known my place e - ven when I don't keep it.

Mary

16 *mf* Show me a fence _____ and see if I don't leap it. *mp* Have I been de -

16 *mf* *mp*

Mary

21 *mf* *cresc.* ceived _____ think - ing you'd be for me? _____ Could I not con - ceive the

21 *mf* *poco cresc.*

Mary

26 *f* *mf* ston - y walls be - fore me? I know my place. We are the race _____

26 *f* *mf*

Mary

31 *dim.* that has no choice. *f* Have I been a fool

31 *dim.* *mp* *mf* *f*

Mary

36 *dim.* hop - ing once to choose? *mp* And must I lose? *sub. p* Ev - 'ry - bod - y

36 *mp* *sub. p*

Mary

41 *mp* says that ev - 'ry - bod - y gets just what they de - serve. *sub. p* Ev - 'ry - bod - y's wrong.

41 *sub. p*

(Sara Williams enters.)

Mary

46 *mp cresc.* *f*

If the world made sense I would have you.

Mary

46 *mp cresc.* *f*

Mis-tress Wil-liams, I can - not

Sara

50 *mf*

Ma - ry, _____ still a - wake?

Mary

50 *ff* *mf dim.*

sleep. Pure

Sara

54 *mp*

Have you been cry - ing child? Tush! Why so sad?

Mary

54 *p*

Mary 58 *mf*
 fool - ish - ness, Mis - tress. I have bad dreams.

Sara *mf* *mp*
 Poor child, go back to bed. ____ To -

Mary 58 *mf* *mp*
 Oh, if on - ly they would. ____

Sara *mf*
 mor - row's light will make these sad dreams van - ish.

Mary 62 *mf*
 Oh, if on - ly they would. ____

Sara *mf*
 mor - row's light will make these sad dreams van - ish.

Mary 66 *rallentando*
 Pray, sil - ly Ma - ry and sleep. The

Sara *p* *p*
 Pray, sil - ly Ma - ry and sleep. The

Mary 66 *dim.* *rallentando*
 Pray, sil - ly Ma - ry and sleep. The

Sara *p* *p*
 Pray, sil - ly Ma - ry and sleep. The

Adagio $\text{♩} = 69$

Sara

69 sil - ver light _____ will put to flight _____ the dark thoughts that are

Sara

72 crouch - ing. _____ There is no charm _____ can do you harm. _____ The

Mary

75 *mp* The sil - ver light _____ will

Sara

75 *mp* si - lent moon is watch - ing, _____ The sil - ver light will

Piano

p

mp

Mary

put to flight_____ the dark thoughts that lay crouch - ing. There is no

Sara

put_____ to flight the dark thoughts that lay crouch - ing._____ There

78

78

78

78

Mary

charm can harm_____ us now. The si - lent moon is

Sara

is no charm_____ can do you harm._____ The si - lent moon is

81

81

81

81

Mary

watch - ing,_____ watch - ing as we sleep._____ Watch -

Sara

watch - ing,_____ watch - ing as we sleep,_____ watch - ing as we

84

84

84

84

poco cresc.

dim. poco a poco

poco cresc.

dim. poco a poco

poco cresc.

dim. poco a poco

p

p

p

pp

Mary 88 *pp* *poco allarg.*

ing _____ Good night, Mis - tress.

Sara 88 sleep. _____ Go now, girl, and do not fear. *poco allarg.*

(Mary leaves for her quarters.
Ezekiel Williams enters.)

Larghetto ♩ = 63

Sara 92 *mp*

Ezekiel *mp* Not yet E -

92 Well, wife, did you tell the girl?

p (repeat as needed)

Sara 97 *poco rit.*

ze - ki - el. There will be time to - mor - row.

Ezekiel *mf*

To - mor - row I will be bal - an - cing the books. *poco rit.*

97 *mf*

Sara 102 *a tempo* *mf*

Oh yes, I have grown too used to Ma-ry to do with-out her.

Ezekiel

But we are a-greed, you want this girl?

Sara 106 *a tempo* *mf* *poco rit.*

Hus-band,

Ezekiel *mp* *cresc.* *mf*

Then I will make out the bill of sale for the oth-ers. And she moves on with us to Nash-ville.

Sara 110 *a tempo* *mp*

it is the least we can do for the girl.

Ezekiel 110 *a tempo* *mp* *p* *mp*

Act Two. Scene Three

Julia Hancock and William Clark

(The Hancock estate in Fincastle, Virginia. William Clark stands in the parlor waiting. Julia Hancock enters.)

(Larghetto) $\text{♩} = 63$

1

p *mp* *p*

5 *mf rit.* *a tempo mp* **Adagio con moto** $\text{♩} = 66-69$

Julia

Cap - tain Clark. My fa - ther tells me you have come with of - fers of some suit.

Clark

mf

Miss Han - cock,

5 *rit.* *a tempo*

mp *mf*

9 *mp*

Clark

clear - ly I am no silk - en boy, _____ a - mused at his own youth. But what I am I know: a

9 *mp*

13 *cresc.* 37

Clark

gen - tle - man of Vir - gin - ia born, _____ and as a gen - tle - man bred. an of - fi - cer trust - ed by the

13 *cresc.*

Clark

mf *mp*

Pres - i - dent; a man of en - ter - prise whose pros - pects stand to build a for - tune; so

17 *mf* *mp*

Clark

cresc. *mf*

now I come to build a fam - i - ly. I of - fer you my en - ter - prise, my trust, my name.

20 *cresc.* *mf*

Julia

mf *mp*

Carp - tain Clark, I am a wo - man, though just turned six - teen, and a wo - man must know

24 *mf* *mp*

Julia *mf* *mp warmly*

more than her sui - tor's pros - pects. A wife must know her hus - band's heart. _____

Clark *mf*

My heart was

mf *mp*

Clark

forged in war _____ and love of coun - try. My soul was built up - on _____ a sin - gle scaf - fold:

mf poco marcato

Clark *f* *mf*

Du - ty! E - ven when I was a boy I knew that we were placed here for our

f *mf*

Julia *mf* 38 And what is our du - ty, Cap - tain?

Clark *mf* *poco marcato* du - ty. I be - lieve that my

38 *cresc.* *f* *mf*

Clark 42 *cresc.* du - ty con - sists in do - ing jus - tice where I may and lov - ing mer - cy as I ought, and en -

42

Julia 46 *mf* Du - ties wor - thy of a

Clark *f* deav - or - ing at all times to make our fel - low crea - tures hap - py.

46 *f* *dim.*

The musical score is written for two vocalists, Julia and Clark, and a piano accompaniment. The key signature has one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 4/4. The score is divided into systems, with measure numbers 38, 42, and 46 marked at the beginning of new vocal entries. Julia's parts are in the treble clef, and Clark's parts are in the bass clef. The piano accompaniment is shown in grand staff notation. Performance markings include dynamics such as *mf* (mezzo-forte), *f* (forte), *cresc.* (crescendo), *poco marcato*, and *dim.* (diminuendo). The lyrics are written below the vocal staves, with some words split across lines.

Julia

50 *mp*
gen - tle - man, _____ and of my spouse. But we who are en - trust - ed with so

50 *mp cresc.* *f* *sub. p*

Julia

54
much will be judged by how _____ we treat the least. You are an

54

Julia

58 *mf*
hon - our - a - ble man, Wil - liam Clark, and our u - nion would be an hon - or to my fam - i - ly.

58 *mp*

Julia

62
But I can-not judge a man by how he mas - ters bus - 'ness or so - ci - e - ty.

62 *p*

Julia 66

We Vir - gin - ians know a man most shows him - self be - fore his ser - vants. And I, through

p allarg.

66

p allarg.

Julia 70

ac - ci - dent, have seen your harsh de - mean - or with your ser - vant York.

Clark

mf

Must York vex me

70

Julia 75

mp a tempo

My hus - band would show such ten - der kind - ness to the least man be - fore him so much that

Clark

now?

75

a tempo

Julia 79

he would make me proud.

Clark 79 *mf*

And so I shall! The boy York went with me a - cross the coun - try

Clark 82 *poco allarg.*

and came back dam - aged from so long a trip, un - cer - tain of him - self, in - trac - ta - ble.

Clark 86 *mp* *a tempo*

I prom - ise, Ju - lia, to show such ten - der - ness and by my gen - tle mer - cy

Clark 86 *a tempo* *mp*

90 *f* *mf*⁴³

Julia

Clark

cresc. *f*

Yes, my Cap - tain. Your

soft - en York. If you would deign on - ly to say yes.

90 *cresc.*

Julia

Clark

cresc.

94 *rit.* *a tempo*

Julia

gen - tle - ness will win me. I shall be hon - ored to be Mis - sus Wil - liam Clark.

94 *rit.* *a tempo*

Clark

mf *f*

98 *poco rit.* *a tempo*

Clark

mp

(Scene changes to an exterior setting on the Hancock estate. York is alone.)

103 *rit.*

Clark

mf *dim.* *mp*

Act Two. Scene Four

York and Clark

Larghetto ♩ = 63-66 (Clark enters.)

1 *mf*

5 *mp*

Clark

York, you must mend this mu-lish be-ha-vior. You been im-pos-si-ble ev-er since we came back and

5 *p*

9 *mp*

York

I on-ly

Clark

now you're mak-ing folks think I am some sort of cru-el mas-ter.

9 *mf*

York ¹³ *mf* *allarg.*
live to serve, sir, _____ as you have made cer-tain I should know.

Clark *f*

¹³ *mp* *mf* *allarg.*
Quite so! My

Clark ¹⁷ *ten. mf* *mp a tempo*
boy. But since I am a ten-der-heart-ed man I have de-cid-ed to let you go a-head of me a-lone

¹⁷ *ten. a tempo* *mp*

York ²¹ *mf*
Sir, is

Clark *mf*
back to Ken-tuck-y to meet up with your Ma-ry and mar-ry her. _____

²¹ *mf*

46

24

York

this some sort of trick?

(Clark pulls out the write of permission.)

Clark

Does this look like a trick, boy? With this writ I give you

24

York

28

Clark

Praise God and God praise

my per - mis - sion to meet up with your Ma - ry and mar-ry her.

28

York

32

Clark

you, Mas - ter Clark.

It is the least thing that a ten - der - heart - ed mas - ter would do. You get your

32

York *ff* Oh,

Clark Ma - ry and I win my Ju - lia's ap - prov - al.

York *f* Mas - ter Clark, God bless you! I owe you all my hap - pi - ness.

Clark *mf* You owe me noth - ing but o -

Clark *mp* be - di - ence, boy. ____ Go and let me find a dif - fer - ent York ____

York *mp* The

Clark *mp*

when I come to fetch you back to Saint Lou - is. Go, boy! ____ The two of us a - bout to be

44

p

York *poco rit.*

Clark

two of us a - bout to get mar - ried!

mar - ried! _____

48

poco rit.

(On one side of the stage is the Hancock estate interior where Clark and Julia are to be married. On the other side is Mary's slave quarters cabin in Louisville.).

52

Allegro maestoso ♩ = 132

mp cresc. poco a poco

Act Two. Scene Five

Mary, York, Julia Hancock, Clark, Lewis, Reverend Whitsun, Brother Paul, White Chorus, Slave Chorus

White Chorus

1 (Allegro maestoso $\text{♩} = 132$) *f*

Lov - ing God, who bids us love each

Lov - ing God, who bids us love each

White Chorus

6

oth - er here on earth. Deign to bless this u - nion and join them soul to

oth - er here on earth. Deign to bless this u - nion and join them soul to

oth - er here on earth. Deign to bless this u - nion and join them soul to

oth - er here on earth. Deign to bless this u - nion and join them soul to

Andante espressivo $\text{♩} = 69$

Mary

11

mp

They'll all be sing - ing now in Fin - cas - tle

soul.

soul.

soul.

soul.

White
Chorus

11

mp

Mary

15

house. _____ On - ly I am lone - ly.

mf (Outside Mary's cabin.)

York

8

They all be sing - ing now and hap - py and

15

*mp**p**mf*

York

20 *f* free. On - ly I am a slave.

20 *f* *mf dim.*

(The wedding party processes. Julia Hancock walks to the altar where she is joined by William Clark.)

24 *p* *cresc.* *f*

**Reverend
Whitsun**

29 *mp* We are gath-ered here to - geth - er to join in ho - ly

29 *mp*

**Reverend
Whitsun**

33 *mf* *f* mat - ri - mo - ny Ju - lia Han - cock and Cap - tain Wil - liam Clark.

33 *mf* *f*

37 *f*
 Bless - ed God who watch - es o'er Your chil - dren here on earth, grant this lov - ing

f
 Bless - ed God who watch - es o'er Your chil - dren here on earth, grant this lov - ing

f
 Bless - ed God who watch - es o'er Your chil - dren here on earth, grant this lov - ing

f
 Bless - ed God who watch - es o'er Your chil - dren here on earth, grant this lov - ing

37
 Bless - ed God who watch - es o'er Your chil - dren here on earth, grant this lov - ing

Clark

mp quietly and calmly

I, Wil - liam, take thee, Ju - lia, to

mp

cou - ple a share of peace and love.

White Chorus

mp

cou - ple a share of peace and love.

mp

cou - ple a share of peace and love.

mp

cou - ple a share of peace and love.

Piano

p

46

Julia *mf* To have and to hold from

Lewis *mf* (to himself) Oh! Will I ev - er know such a day?_____

Clark *mf* be my wed - ded wife._____ To have and to hold from

46

mf

50

Julia this day for - ward.

York *mf* I, too,_____ will have my say!!_____

Clark *mp cresc. poco a poco* this day for - ward. For rich - er, for poor - er, in

50

mp cresc. poco a poco

53

Julia *mf cresc.*
from this day for-ward un - til

York

Clark *mf cresc.* *f*
sick - ness and in health, from this day for-ward un - til death do us part.

53

Julia *f*
death do us part.

Clark

56

56

ff

Allegro appassionato

(York enters Mary's cabin. He is accompanied by a slave preacher carrying a broom decorated with ribbons.)

59

♩ = 138

subito mp cresc.

York **ff** *passionately* *mp*

Ma - ry, I come to claim you with the on - ly

63 8

63 **f** *p*

York *p* *intimately, hushed*

claim I got: I love you and I want you

68 8

68 *smoothly* *pp*

York *cresc. poco a poco*

with me now!

74 8

74 *p* *cresc.*

Mary **ff** *passionately* *dim.* *molto rit.*

York! I take you with the on - ly vow I know.

79 8

79 **f** *dim.* *molto rit.*

Mary

84 *espressivo*
p *a tempo*

I prom - ise _____ to be yours _____ wher -

84 *a tempo*
p espressivo

(The slave preacher hands the broom to the couple. Then, holding each other, they both grasp the broom and begin dancing slowly in a circle. As they dance, Mary's cabin fills with other slaves.)

Mary

89 *poco rit.* **Slower** ♩ = 132

ev - er _____ you may be. _____

89 *poco rit.*
pp

94

Julia

99 *mp simply* *mf*

I, Ju - li - a, take thee, Wil - liam, to be my wed - ded hus - band. _____

York

8 *f*
Will you have me,

99 *mp* *mf sonore*

103 *mf*

Reverend Whitsun

Who gives a - way this bride? _____

York

Ma - ry?

Brother Paul

mp

If you will take this

103 *mp* *p*

107 *mf*

Reverend Whitsun

Who has the

Brother Paul

cresc.

man, _____ then take this here broom. _____

107 *mp* *mf*

111 *poco rit.*

Reverend Whitsun

ring?

Brother Paul

cresc. poco a poco

If you will have this wom - an, _____ then help her with the broom. _____

111 *poco rit.* *mp* *mf*

White Chorus

115 *f a tempo*

Gra - cious God, who bids us be fruit - ful in pro - sper - i - ty,

Gra - cious God, who bids us be fruit - ful in pro - sper - i - ty,

Gra - cious God, who bids us be fruit - ful in pro - sper - i - ty,

Gra - cious God, who bids us be fruit - ful in pro - sper - i - ty,

115 *a tempo*

Gra - cious God, who bids us be fruit - ful in pro - sper - i - ty,

Gra - cious God, who bids us be fruit - ful in pro - sper - i - ty,

Gra - cious God, who bids us be fruit - ful in pro - sper - i - ty,

Gra - cious God, who bids us be fruit - ful in pro - sper - i - ty,

White Chorus

119

Deign to bless this u - nion and join them soul to soul.

Deign to bless this u - nion and join them soul to soul.

Deign to bless this u - nion and join them soul to soul.

Deign to bless this u - nion and join them soul to soul.

119

Deign to bless this u - nion and join them soul to soul.

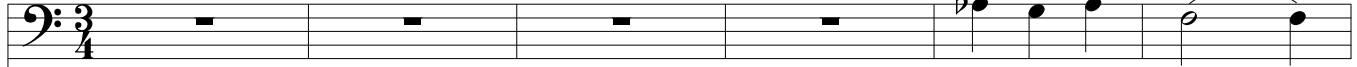
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123 **Andante espressivo** ♩ = 120

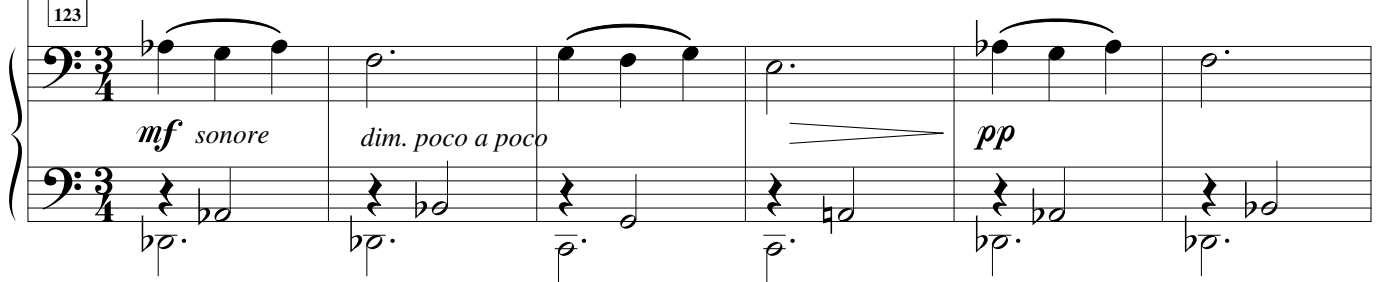
Brother
Paul



p simply

Life is a chore and

123



129

Brother
Paul



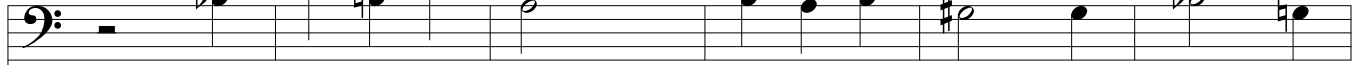
love is a task and peace is nev-er prom-ised ex-cept by One Mas-ter.

129



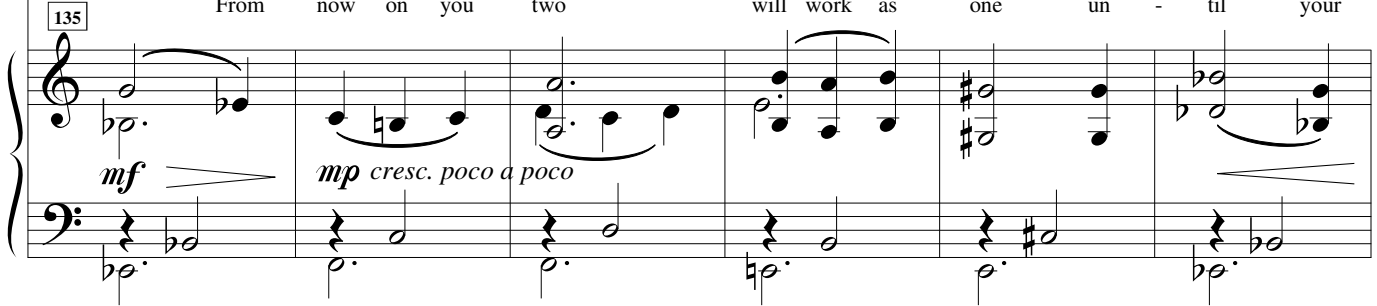
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Brother
Paul



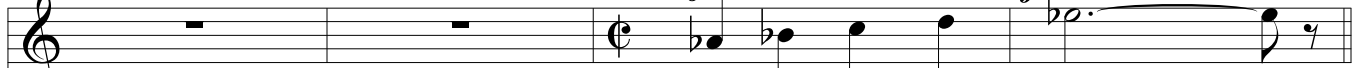
From now on you two will work as one un-til your

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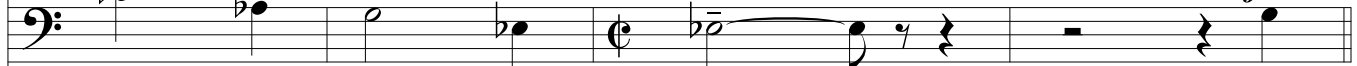
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White
Minister



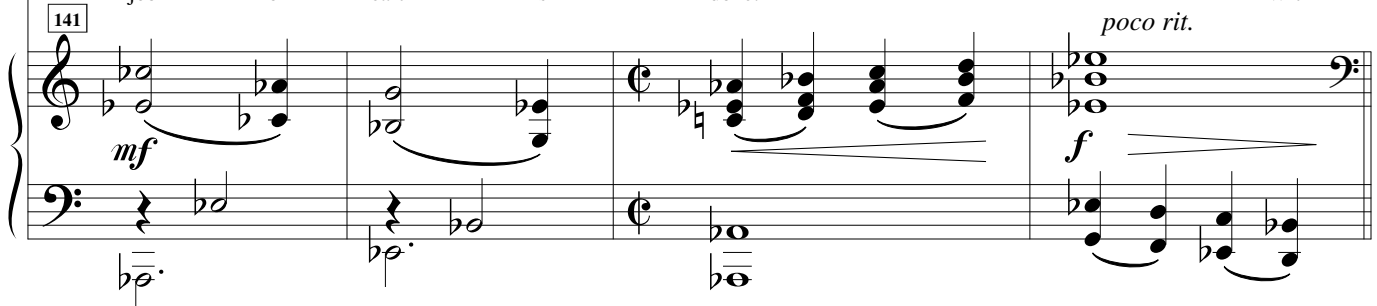
You may kiss the bride.

Brother
Paul



job on earth is done. With

141



Poco meno mosso $\text{♩} = 116$

Brother
Paul

145

both of your mas - ter's per - mis - sions you may be to - geth - er.

The

145

mp cresc. poco a poco

The

149

white folk say "Un - til death do us part." The black folk have no say o - ver wheth - er we can stay.

white folk say "Un - til death do us part." The black folk have no say o - ver wheth - er we can stay.

149

piu f

dim. poco a poco

153

We can on - ly prom - ise un - til dis - tance or ca - lam - i - ty takes one of us a - way.

We can on - ly prom - ise un - til dis - tance or ca - lam - i - ty takes one of us a -

153

mp

p

cresc. poco a poco

Mary 156 *f* I prom-ise to re - main. I prom-ise to re - main *p* *allargando non cresc.* As long as I can stay. As

York *f* I prom-ise to re-main. I prom-ise to re-main *p non cresc.* As long as I can

way.

Piano 156 *f* *allargando* *p non cresc.*

Mary 160 **Vigoroso** ♩ = 63 *allargando* long as I can stay. _____

York stay. _____

Brother Paul *f* Kiss the girl, now, boy! _____ She is your

Piano 160 *mf* *allargando*

Allegro maestoso

164

♩ = 120

Brother
Paul

wife. _____

*mp molto legato**mp molto legato*

We don't know how much time we got here on this earth. _____

We don't know how much time we got here on this earth. _____

mf

White
Chorus

Gra - cious God! _____

mf

Gra - cious God! _____

164

*mp**mf*

168

*cresc.**div.*

We don't know if we be al - lowed to be here to - mor - row. But

cresc.

We don't know if we be al - lowed to be here to - mor - row. But

White
Chorus

Lov - ing Fa - ther!

Lov - ing Fa - ther!

168

*mp**mf*

172 *poco rit.* ***ff*** *a tempo* ***mf***

for to - day we say _____ if God will al - low us, we

for to - day we say _____ if God will al - low us, we

172 *poco rit.* *a tempo* ***f*** *dim. poco a poco*

mp ***f***

177 ***mp*** *rit.* ***p***

stay! _____ We stay! _____ We stay!

stay! _____ We stay! _____ We stay!

White
Chorus

p ***pp***

Gra - cious God! _____ Gra - cious God! _____

p ***pp***

177 *rit.* ***pp***

Lov - ing Fa - ther! _____ Lov - ing Fa - ther! _____

pp

Act Two. Scene Six

Brady, Mary, York, Sara and Ezekiel Williams

1 **Andante pensoso** ♩ = 120

p a la chitarra

Brady

7 *p*

To - geth - er for once, To - geth - er at

12 *poco cresc.* *mf* *mp*

last! To - geth - er at least for a mo - ment, a week, the

12 *poco cresc.* *mp*

17 *poco allarg.*

Brady

8 lov - ers at last dis - cov - er the joy of

17 *p* *poco allarg.*

a tempo **f** *mf poco rit.*

Brady 8 days that pass un - in - ter - rup - ted in joy. Ev - 'ry

a tempo *poco rit.*

mf **mp**

Brady 8 prom - ise ful - filled, ev - 'ry vow made good, the

a tempo

Brady 8 two at last to - geth - er, to - geth - er for

a tempo

Brady 8 one week. And one week to - geth - er could last a whole

cresc. **f**

Brady

38

life.

poco rit.

a tempo

38

f

p dolce

43

48

Mary

What did we do be - fore we fell in love? Why did I both - er?

York

How did I live? What did I want?

48

p

mp

cresc. poco a poco

53

Mary

Life was a puz - zle. How did we get to be so luck - y that we find

York

How did we get to be so luck - y that we find

53

poco rit.

a tempo

mp

Mary *poco accel.*

all of our an - swers in each oth - er?

York *mf*

all of our an - swers in each oth - er? I have

poco accel.

Piu mosso ♩ = 132

York *mf*

watched the sun rise o - ver a moun - tain of ice. I have

York

seen the roar - ing riv - er fall in - to the sea. But I nev - er have known

Mary **68** *molto rit.* *p*
A -

York
an - y - thing half as nice as you and me.

68 *molto rit.*

Mary **71** **Meno mosso** ♩ = 100
cross the years and lone - ly nights, I dreamed of you, _____ my

71

p

Mary **75** *poco accel.* *mp* **Con moto** ♩ = 116 *mf*
beau - ti - ful, du - ti - ful boy. But I half-way gave up hope un - til last week _____ and

75 *poco accel.* *cresc.* *mp*

Mary 79

you ap - peared. _____

York

mp *cresc.*

What did we ev - er do to be so luck - y?

79

mf *mp*

Mary 83 *mf*

How did we come to de - serve such joy.

York

f

Ev - 'ry - bod - y says that

83

mf *f*

Mary 86 *f*

Ev - ry - bod - y says that ev - 'ry - bod - y gets just

York

ev - 'ry - bod - y gets just what they de - serve.

86

Con brio $\text{♩} = 76$

Mary

Sara

what
f (offstage)

Ma - ry! Ma - ry! Good news, good news! I've been

mf

sfz mp *sfz*

Sara

keep - ing a se - cret from you. Your mas - ter and we are mov - ing to Nash - ville at

sfz *sfz*

Sara

once. We leave to - geth - er. I would not al - low you to be

sfz *f* *p cresc. poco a poco*

Mary *allargando* *mp* Mov - ing? To be sold?

Sara sold off like the oth - ers.

allargando
mf
subito p

Meno mosso ♩ = 63

Ezekiel *mf* Yes, girl. And I had off - ers for you that would fetch a pret - ty dol - lar. But your

mp *sombre* *simile*

Mary *p* The

Ezekiel mis - tress here is too ten - der - heart - ed. It was all I could do to un - load all the rest.

109

Mary 113

rest? My cous - ins? My aunts?

Sara

mp

All hap - pi - ly sold. _____

Ezekiel

mp

All sold. And I

113

p

Ezekiel 118

want to put some miles be - tween us and this old house to - day. We leave this place for - ev - er,

118

simile

Sara 121

Come Ma - ry! We must get read - y for the

Ezekiel

for a bright - er fu - ture a - head.

121

Mary 125 *f* *>* York! Oh York! _____

Sara jour - ney.

York *f* No mat - ter where you

125 *f*

York 129 *molto allarg.* go, no mat - ter how far, I will find you, Ma - ry. _____

129 *molto allarg.* *mf*

con pedale

Ezekiel 134 *a tempo* *mf* *>* York boy! _____ I did - n't no - tice you there, _____ laz - ing a -

134 *a tempo* *mp*

Ezekiel 137

round with my girl Ma - ry. Don't wor - ry boy, you're not to be ne - glec - ted.

137

Ezekiel 140

I just saw your mas - ter turn - ing up the drive com - ing to col - lect you, as I reck - on., now that

140

Sara 144 *mp*

Get to the house now, Ma - ry. We must

Ezekiel

he and your new mis - tress are mov - ing to Saint Lou - is.

144 *mf* *mp*

Mary *f* *mf*
York! O York! _____ Our vows are brok - en: till dis - tance or ca -

Sara
pack.

149 *f* *mf* *p* *mf*

Adagio grazioso ♩ = 69

Mary
lam - i - ty shall part us.

Clark (offstage) *f*
Hal - lo! Hal - lo, E -

154 *dim.* *p*

Clark
ze - ki - el!

Ezekiel *mf* *heartily*
Just the man _____ I was speak - ing of! _____ Brig - a - dier Gen - e - ral

159 *mp* *sempre legato e grazioso*

163 *mf*

Clark

Ezekiel

E - ze - ki - el Wil - liams and

Wil - liam Clark! And this must be your love - ly new wife?

163

167 *poco allarg.* **Meno mosso** $\text{♩} = 63$

Clark

Sar - a, al - low me to pre - sent to you, Mis - sus Ju - lia

167 *poco allarg.*

170

Julia

How do you do? The

Sara

We are hon - ored by your pres - ence, ma'am.

Clark

Clark!

170 *dolce*

Julia *poco rit.* **Con moto**

174 hon - or is mine. Hel - lo York.____

York

8 *mf* Mis - tress Ju - lia!

Clark *mf* York boy!____ You are

174 *poco rit.* *mf*

Clark *mp* here? Good!____ This saves me the trou - ble of track - ing you down.

178 *mp* *f*

Clark *mf* We can not stay as long as we'd like. My du - ties____ in Saint Lou - is de - mand me.

182 *mf*

186

Clark

We must press on as quick as we can. Come York, fol - low me.

Ezekiel

My bus - 'ness

dim. mp

190

Ezekiel

al - so calls me a - way. We leave for Nash - ville this ver - y day. A -

accelerando f

190

accelerando

Allegro moderato ♩ = 96

194

Clark

A - mer - i - ca is clam - or - ing, the fu - ture beck - ons

Ezekiel

mer - i - ca is clam - or - ing, the fu - ture beck - ons

194

f

198 *f* *mf*

Mary York! ____ How did it come so quick? ____ Dis - tance and ca - lam - i - ty!

Clark

bright!

Ezekiel

bright!

198

203

Mary Dis - tance ____ and ca - lam - i - ty!

Julia *mp*

York *f* It
They are tak - ing you a - way from me! ____ Dis - tance ____ and ca - lam - i - ty!

203

208

Julia

seems we have come at an awk-ward time.

Sara

mp

The slaves are just say - ing good - bye. My hus - band is in a

208

subito p

213

Julia

My hus - band's al - so in a

Sara

hur - ry to leave. You know how bull - head - ed men can be.

213

218

Julia

hur - ry to leave. A wife can on - ly fol - low.

Sara

cresc.

A wife can on - ly fol - low.

218

cresc.

222 *f*

Sara

Ma - ry, ____ fol - low me.

Clark *f*

Come, York, ____ fol - low me. ____ A - mer - i - ca is en - ter - ing a bright new

Ezekiel

A - mer - i - ca is en - ter - ing a bright new

222

Clark

dawn! ____ And men of cour - age and en - ter - prise will urge it on!

Ezekiel

dawn! ____ And men of cour - age and en - ter - prise will urge it on!

227

Mary *f*

What is to be - come of me through dis - tance and ca -

232 *mf*

232 *ff*

The musical score is for page 81 of a larger work. It features four vocal parts: Sara, Clark, Ezekiel, and Mary, and a piano accompaniment. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats). The time signature is common time (C). The score is divided into systems. The first system (measures 222-226) features Sara and Clark singing, with piano accompaniment. The second system (measures 227-231) features Clark and Ezekiel singing, with piano accompaniment. The third system (measures 232-236) features Mary singing, with piano accompaniment. The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, dynamics (f, mf, ff), and articulations (accents, slurs). The lyrics are written below the vocal staves.

236

Mary lam - i - ty?

Julia *mp* A wom - an's lot is nev - er eas - y. *mf* Ev - 'ry man her mas - ter:

Sara *mp* A wom - an's lot is nev - er eas - y. *mf* Ev - 'ry man her mas - ter:

236

mp *mf* *dim.*

241

Julia *mp* Bear - ing his chil - dren in pain, _____

Sara *mp* Bear - ing his ang - er in si - lence.

241

p legato

245

Julia

God _____ will bless us in the end _____ if _____ we

Sara

God _____ will bless us in the end _____ if _____ we

245

250

Mary

Ca - lam - i - ty!

Julia

learn o - be - di - ence. O -

Sara

learn o - be - di - ence. O -

Clark

Pros - per - i - ty!

Ezekiel

Pros - per - i - ty!

250

255

Julia

be - di - ence!

Sara

be - di - ence!

York

f

The world is dark be - fore me

255

York

now!

260

piu f

265

Interlude

Stormy $\text{♩} = 60$

System 1: Measure 1. Treble clef: ff sempre marcato. Bass clef: eighth-note accompaniment.

System 2: Measures 3-4. Treble clef: mp cresc. f . Bass clef: eighth-note accompaniment.

System 3: Measures 5-6. Treble clef: mf f mp . Bass clef: eighth-note accompaniment.

System 4: Measures 7-8. Treble clef: f mp . Bass clef: eighth-note accompaniment.

System 5: Measures 9-12. Treble clef: ff ff . Bass clef: eighth-note accompaniment.

16 *mf cresc.*

20 *f*

25 *ff*

29 *f dim. poco a poco*

33 *rit. poco a poco*

This musical score is for a piano piece in G major, spanning measures 16 to 33. The notation is in grand staff (treble and bass clefs). The key signature has one sharp (F#). The score is divided into five systems. The first system (measures 16-19) begins with a mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic and a crescendo (*cresc.*). The second system (measures 20-24) starts with a forte (*f*) dynamic. The third system (measures 25-28) reaches fortissimo (*ff*). The fourth system (measures 29-32) begins with a forte (*f*) dynamic and a gradual decrescendo (*dim. poco a poco*). The fifth system (measures 33-36) continues the decrescendo with a ritardando (*rit. poco a poco*). The piece concludes with a final chord in measure 36.

Act Two. Scene Seven

York, Barkeep, Drinkers 1 and 2, Bar Patrons and Clark

(2 October 1809. St. Louis. York is in a local bar, one which he frequents regularly now that Clark has set up his household in St. Louis. There are a number of other drinkers and some local women in the bar. York is loud and clearly has been drinking for a while.)

Con brio $\text{♩} = 76$

York

1

ff

5

f

Bar - keep! ____ More bour - bon! ____ Keep the drink flow - ing. Fill all ____ these

mf

p

9

mp

Take it eas - y there, old boy. You're tear - ing through the bot - tle.

mf

York

glass - es ____ with strong dark whiskey. But

9

p

York *molto allarg.*

13 this is a spe-cial oc-ca-sion, ma'am. I'm hold-ing a mem-o-ri-al ser-vice

mp

13 *molto allarg.*

Drinker 1 **Largo con accelerando** ♩ = 58 *mf*

17 Who is this

mp poco marcato

York here. Whis-key, whis-key, a damn fine drink!

17 *p cresc. poco a poco* *mf*

Barkeep ♩ = 72 *mp*

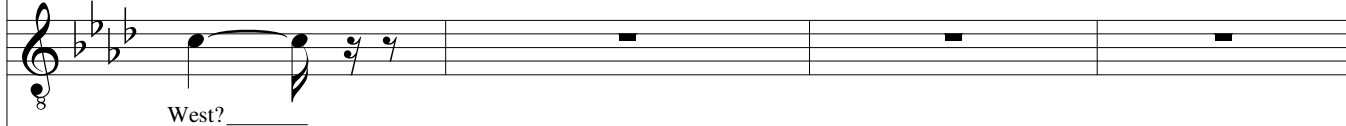
21 That's just old York, Gen-e-ral Clark's boy.

Drinker 1 rol-lick-ing dark-y? The one that went out

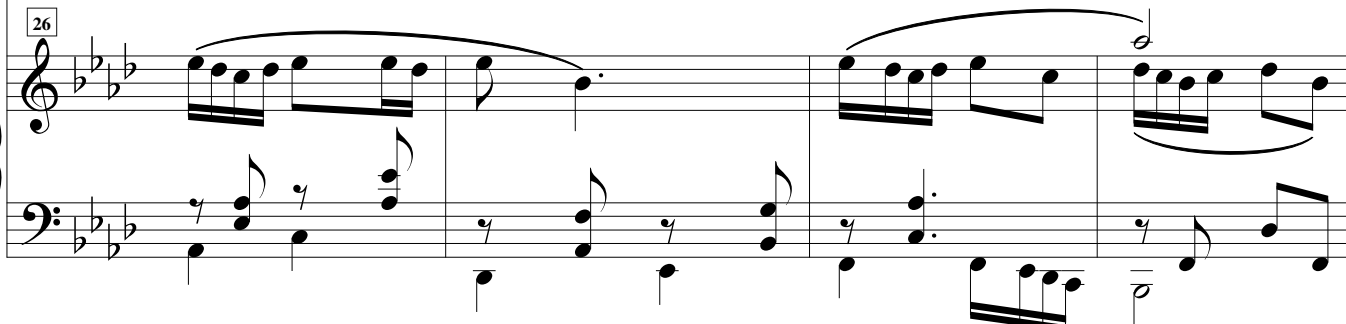
21 *subito p*

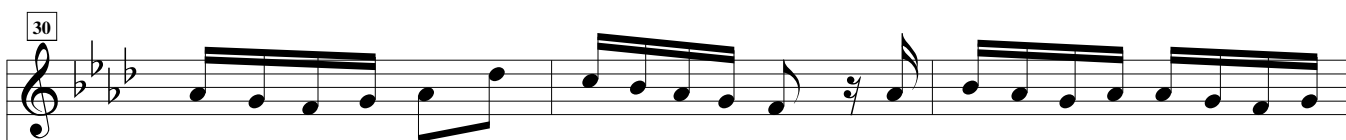
Barkeep 

Don't men-tion it un-less you want to hear the whole trip told to you mile by mile. Be-lieve me,

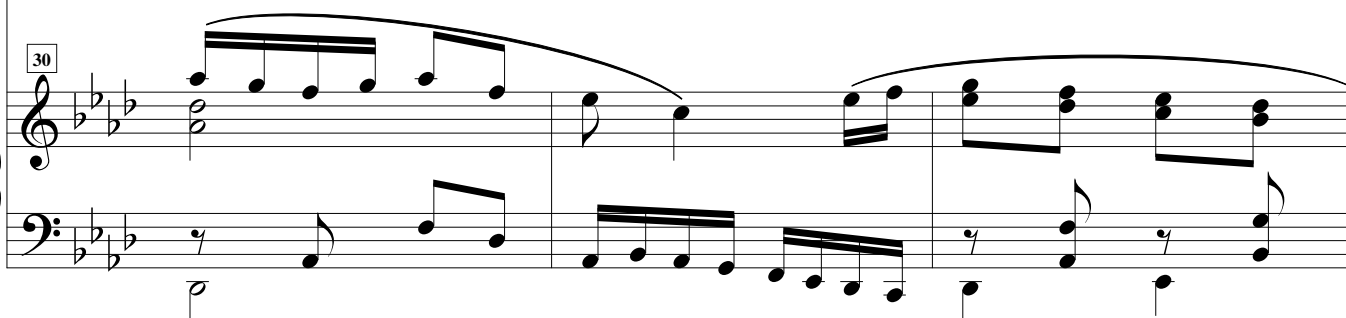
Drinker 1 

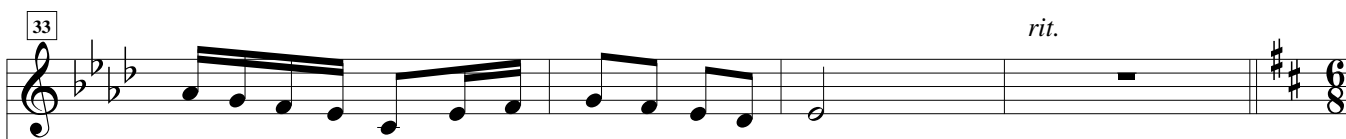
West? _____



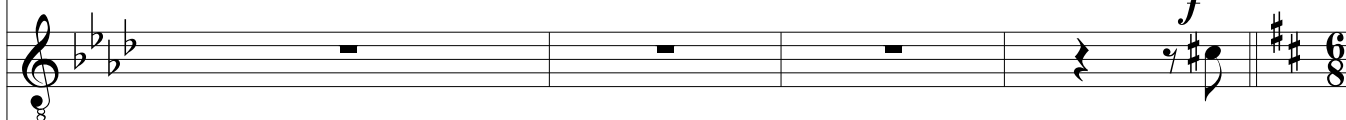
Barkeep 

there's two thou-sand miles of talk-ing in that boy! He's gen-'ral-ly no trou-ble, he just

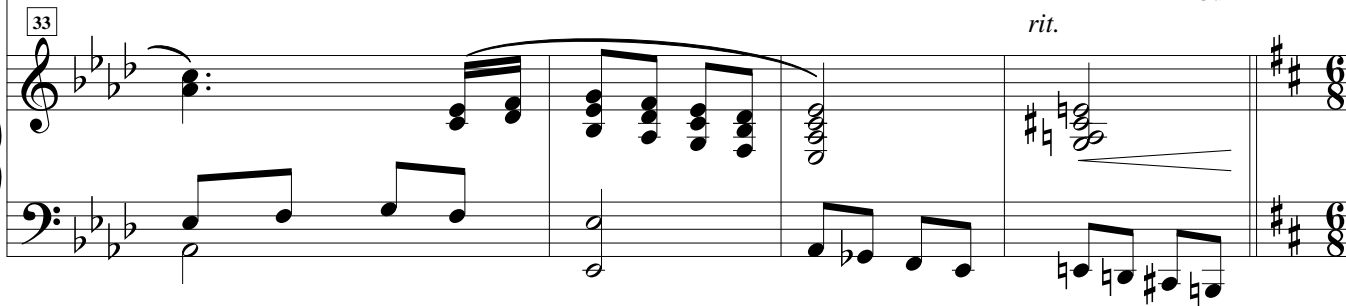


Barkeep 

likes to hear him-self. Clark will fetch him, by and by.

York 

Our



Con brio

York

37

bour - bon ___ kept us warm out West when we had noth - ing else ___ to warm ___ us.

mf

York

41

mp (with longing) *mf*

A - way from the wom - en we knew, ___ John

f *mp*

York

45

subito mp *subito meno mosso intensely*

Bar - ley - corn ___ was a good friend and true! You live long e - nough you find out that ___ your

mf *mp* *subito meno mosso*

Drinker 2 *poco rit.* *mf* *a tempo*
So you're the slave that

York
real friends are few.

Drinker 2 *sub. mp*
went out West? They say you had a pret-ty fair share of In-di-an girls!

York *f*
They say a

Drinker 2 *f taunting*
Tell us!

York
lot of things, them that don't know noth-ing.

cresc. *mf*

Drinker 1 **60** *f* *taunting* *ritenuto* **Moderato** ♩ = 112

Tell us, what were they like? _____

Drinker 2

What were they like? _____

York

How _____ can you be so base? _____

60 *ritenuto*

Drinker 1 **64** *mf*

What news?

Drinker 2 *mf*

News? What news?

York *sub. mp*

Ah! You hav - en't heard the news! We got word _____ by cour - i - er _____

Patrons *mf*

News? What News?

64 *sub. p*

Largo desolato $\text{♩} = 54$

York

67

yes - ter - day: _____ Cap - tain Mer - i - weth - er Lew - is,

67

mp

York

70

he - ro of daunt - less cour - age, friend of the Pres - i - dent _____ and a friend to me. _____

70

Drinker 2

73

mp

Dead! How?

York

Cap - tain Lew - is is dead. _____

Patrons

73

mp

Dead! How?

73

Marcato ed accelerando (♩ = 54)

York 76 *mf* Foul play or ac - ci - dent. Ei - ther way, I'll tell you who's to blame. *f*

mp cresc. poco a poco *mf*

Tempestuoso ♩ = 69

York 79 He was on his way to Wash - ing - ton where he was be - ing hunt - ed down by pol - i - ti - cians. *guttural*

York 83 *ff* (mockingly) Drink up! Drink! To A - mer - i - ca! To the

f

York 87 *sub. mp* Con - sti - tu - tion! To pol - i - ti - cians that pre - serve our way of life! My

mf *p*

Drinker 2 91 *mp*
To the mem - o - ry of Mer - i - weth - er

York
mas - ter is a pol - i - ti - cian too.

91 *mp*

Barkeep 95 *mp* *allarg.*
To Mer - i - weth - er Lew - is! Tell us a - bout him, York. Tell us what you know. _____

Drinker 1 *mp*
To Mer - i - weth - er Lew - is

Drinker 2
Lew - is!

Patrons *mp*
To Mer - i - weth - er Lew - is

95 *p* *allarg.*

The musical score is for page 95 and features six vocal parts and piano accompaniment. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 8/8. The vocal parts are: Drinker 2, York, Barkeep, Drinker 1, Drinker 2, and Patrons. The piano part consists of a grand staff (treble and bass clefs). The lyrics are: Drinker 2: "To the mem - o - ry of Mer - i - weth - er"; York: "mas - ter is a pol - i - ti - cian too."; Barkeep: "To Mer - i - weth - er Lew - is! Tell us a - bout him, York. Tell us what you know. _____"; Drinker 1: "To Mer - i - weth - er Lew - is"; Drinker 2: "Lew - is!"; Patrons: "To Mer - i - weth - er Lew - is". The piano accompaniment includes various musical notations such as eighth notes, quarter notes, and rests, with dynamics like *mp* (mezzo-piano) and *p* (piano), and tempo markings like *allarg.* (allargando). The score is divided into measures by vertical bar lines, and some measures contain multiple notes beamed together.

Barkeep

York

Nobly ♩ = 112

mf *mp*

In all his deeds he was fear - less. He was thought - ful. He was

mf *sonore* *simile* *mp*

York

f

just. He was one of the fin - est men I ev - er knew.

mf

York **Andante espressivo** $\text{♩} = 100$

poco rit. **mf** *p*

8 All the fin - est men I ev - er knew are dead. _____ Oh

107 *poco rit.* **mp**

York **Largo desolato** $\text{♩} = 54$

rit. **mp**

8 God! How did it come to this? _____ I knew a Cap - tain once, a

111 *rit.* **mp**

York *con pedale*

8 man who seemed so fair. I fol - lowed him to the world's end and

114

York

8 would have gone on from there. _____

117

York

119 *rit.* *a tempo* *mf*

I saw the o - cean once. But that's a - noth - er sto - ry. It

122 *rit.* *a tempo*

hap - pened a life - time a - go when

124 *rit.* *a tempo* *pp*

I thought I was some - one else. I knew a wom - an once and

124 *rit.* *a tempo* *mp* *pp* *simile*

127 *p* *mp* *p*

thought to call her wife. But such as us have no bus - 'ness

127 *p*

130 *rit.* *a tempo* *mp* *cresc.*

Barkeep 8 Eas - y there, boy. Go

York 8 mak - ing plans for life.

130 *rit.* *a tempo*

(York continues singing,, not seeing that Clark has come to fetch him and stands at the bar entrance listening to his slave.)

133

Barkeep 8 eas - y on the bour - bon.

York 8 *mf* There was a rain storm once and my

133 *mf*

136 *ff*

York 8 mas - ter al - most died. He was swept un - der the

136 *f*

York

139 *f*

mud - dy flood. If I had not come by

139 *mf*

York

142 *mf* *ritenuto* (Clark walks into the bar.)

my Mas - ter Clark would be the dead one, not Cap - tain Lew - is.

142 *dim.* *p*

Adagio marcato $\text{♩} = 66$

Clark

145 *f*

So these are the pleas - ant tales you been tell - ing? I've heard,

145 *mf* *simile*

Clark

148

boy, word of how you have be - come the he - ro of my ex - pe - di - tion.

148

York 151

mp

No he - ro, Mas - ter Clark, just a man. O - be - dient as a

8

mp

York 154

cresc. *f*

horse, a dog, your boy.

8

Clark

f

154

cresc. *mf*

That is a good one!

mf

Clark 157

If you were half o - be - dient as a horse I would - n't have to

8

157

simile

Clark **160**

fetch you _____ from the bar. So, now you are the ser - vant that saved his mas -

Clark **163**

ter's life, eh? That's good for a round of drinks, ___ I sup -

York **166**

I did - n't ask for a round of drinks! ___ I asked for my

Clark

pose. **166**

rit. **f**

mf

York **170**

life! ___ I begged for my wife! ___ I plead - ed to be tak - en as a

moving ahead *holding back*

moving ahead *holding back*

Piu mosso $\text{♩} = 60$

103

York 175

man! _____

Clark

You're drunk, boy. I will not ar - gue this a - gain.

175

(Clark turns his back on York and heads towards the door.)

Clark 178

Come, _____ I've got work to do. _____ And you got

178

Meno mosso $\text{♩} = 54$

(Finally at the breaking point, York rushes at Clark)

York 181 **ff**

Damn my chores! Damn my life! Damn you,

Clark

chores.

181

(York raises his hand in a fist, perhaps just to shake it at Clark but in the swiftness of the moment it is impossible to tell whether York actually intends to strike his master or not.)

York

184 *allarg.* *a tempo*

Wil - liam Clark!!

Patrons

ff Look out! Look out!

Piano

184 *allarg.* *a tempo* *brutale*

Clark

187 (They grab York and pin his arms to his side.) *allarg.* *f*

Why you wil - ful nig - ger!

Piano

187 *ff* *mf*

(Clark strikes York across the face.) *a tempo* *mp*

Clark

190 I have tried!

Piano

190 *a tempo* *mf* *p*

Pesante, marcato ♩ = 80

105

Clark

195 *f* God is my wit - ness how I have tried with you, boy. *mf* I

Clark

199 nev - er should have tak - en you out West. You came back ru - ined, bel -

Clark

204 lig - e - rent, haught - y, laz - y and re - bel - lious. There will be

Clark

210 no re - bel - lion, boy. *mf* I am past all pa - tience,

mp *cresc.* *dim.* *p* *cresc.* *with intensity*

Clark

f

boy!

I'll

show

you

what

it

means

to

serve a mas - ter.

216

f

222

mf

I

know

a

man down riv - er

who knows how to

222

mf

227

Clark

treat a slave.

I'm

send - ing you down

to him un - til you learn

227

mp

232

Clark

the way a ser - vant

prop - er - ly be - haves.

232

cresc.

Clark 237 *ff* >

Damn your life, _____ you say? I grant your

Clark 237 *f*

Clark 243

wish. _____ You'll come to damn

Clark 243

Clark 248 (To the drinkers)

each day _____ af - ter this. _____

Clark 248

Quasi recitative

Clark 253 *mf* *f* *fffz*

Come! Bring the boy back to the house with me.

253

8vb

(The men grab York and bind him, then follow Clark out of the bar to general commotion.)

$\bullet = 80$

Act Two. Scene Eight

Juba, Slave Chorus, Michael Young, Simon, York, and Johnny O'Fallon

(Eight years later. The slave quarters of Mister Mitchell's field hands.

The slaves are gathered together singing and praying, being led by Juba.)

1 *mf* **Adagio** $\text{♩} = 66$

Juba ♩ 8 We start the day in prayer and praise. *mf* > God

S. ♩ *mf* > Oh yes, ____ Lord, yes! ____

A. ♩ *mf* > Oh yes, ____ Lord, yes! ____

T. ♩ 8 *mf* > Oh yes, ____ Lord, yes! ____

B. ♩ *mf* > Oh yes, ____ Lord, yes! ____

1

6

Juba ♩ 8 guides our wand - 'ring wear - y ways.

S. ♩ Oh yes, Lord Je - sus yes! ____

A. ♩ Oh yes, Lord Je - sus yes! ____

T. ♩ 8 Oh yes, Lord Je - sus yes! ____

B. ♩ Oh yes, Lord Je - sus yes! ____

6

10 *f*

S. God's char-i-ot's a-com-ing; God's char-i-ot's a-com-ing;

A. *f* God's char-i-ot's a-com-ing; God's char-i-ot's a-com-ing;

T. *f* God's char-i-ot's a-com-ing; God's char-i-ot's a-com-ing;

B. *f* God's char-i-ot's a-com-ing; God's char-i-ot's a-com-ing;

10

14 *Driving* ♩ = 126

S. God's char-i-ot's a-com-ing to car-ry us a-way to Jor-dan.

A. God's char-i-ot's a-com-ing to car-ry us a-way to Jor-dan.

T. *f* God's char-i-ot's a-com-ing to car-ry us a-way to Jor-dan.

B. God's char-i-ot's a-com-ing to car-ry us a-way to Jor-dan.

14

p cresc.

(Michael Young enters. About twenty-five years old, he's the overseer of the field slaves on this plantation. He is followed by a young slave, Simon.)

f well articulated >

Young

Stop that pa - gan hul-la-ba - loo! There's field work that's wait - ing and it

[18]

mp

Young

ain't get - ting done by sing - ing.

Come on, boy, don't you be so scared. What you say your

[21]

Simon

Si - mon, Sir.

Young

name is, boy?

Si - mon, don't be act - ing like these laz - y dark - ies here and

[24]

Young

you'll work out just fine. Your new Mas - ter Mit - chell don't a - buse his prop - er - ty

[27]

Simon

30

Yes Sir.

Young

30

ex - cept if you be sur - ly or re - bel - lious. You call me

Young

33

Mas - ter Mi - chael. It's my job to o - ver - see all of you field ser - vants.

33

Young

36

You got an - y prob - lems, you come to me. You make an - y prob - lems,

36

Simon *mf* Yes, Sir, Mas - ter Mi - chael,

Young I deal with you. Un - der - stood, boy?

Simon un - der - stood.

Young Good boy. Come here and look at what hap - pens when

Young *-allarg.* you ain't of ser - vice. Drag the box out

allarg.

The musical score is written for two vocal parts, Simon and Young, and a piano accompaniment. The key signature is G major (one sharp, F#). The time signature is 8/8. The score is divided into measures 39 through 45. Simon's part is in the treble clef, and Young's part is in the bass clef. The piano accompaniment is in the grand staff. The score includes lyrics and dynamic markings like *mf*, *-allarg.*, and *allarg.*. A repeat sign is at the end of measure 45.

Adagio brutale $\text{♩} = 63$

47 Young

now.

47 *mf cresc.* *ff dim.*

51 Young

See, boy, here's what hap-pens to the bad slaves. This old boy don't seem to want to

51 *mf*

53 Young

learn. You still a - live in there boy?

53 *mp*

Simon

55

Yes, Sir.

Young

Help him out, Si - mon, and make sure the both of you are in the fields right quick.

55

York

57

pp

Wa - ter, wa - ter, please.

57

ff

pp

Simon

61

p

Here you are, Grand - fa - ther. Drink it slow - ly, slow - ly.

York

61

p

Thank you son.

61

15^{ma}

York

65 *mp*

Who are you, boy? I ain't nev - er seen you here.

(15^{ma})

Simon

69 *accel. poco a poco*

I am Si - mon. I got sold yes - ter - day. My old mas - ter need - ed mon - ey

(15^{ma}) *accél. poco a poco*

Simon

72 **Andante marcato** $\text{♩} = 104$

on ac-count of his bad har-vest.

York

72 *mf*

Ha! We are the har - vest, and we are the

mp

York

76

har - vest - ers. They make us crush each oth - er like the corn be - fore the

76

York

80

thresh - er till our an - ger is squeezed out and we are o - be - di - ent.

80

The musical score for 'York' is presented in a two-staff format. The top staff is a vocal line in treble clef, and the bottom staff is a piano accompaniment in grand staff (treble and bass clefs). The key signature is one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The tempo is marked '80'. The vocal line begins with a measure rest, followed by the lyrics 'thresh - er till our an - ger is squeezed out and we are o - be - di - ent.' The piano accompaniment features a rhythmic pattern of eighth and sixteenth notes, with a forte dynamic marking 'f' above the first measure. The score concludes with a double bar line.

York

85 *mf* *cresc.* *ff* *>*

It has been years since I was o - be - di - ent.

85 *mp* *cresc.* *f*

90

f

Simon Mas-ter Mit-chell treat-ed you like this for years?

York *f* Ha! Mit-chell ain't my

90

mf

dim.

York

95 *rit.* *mf* *allarg.* *a tempo* *resc.* *f*

mas - ter. I am on loan to him by a man who don't want to see my

95 *rit.* *allarg.* *a tempo*

mp *cresc.*

York

100 *mf*

face. _____ Ev - 'ry two or three years _____ I get loaned out _____ to a -

100

mp

York

104 *rit. e dim. poco a poco*

noth - er place be - cause I nev - er learned _____ to keep my place. _____

104 *rit. e dim. poco a poco*

118

Quasi recitative

Simon

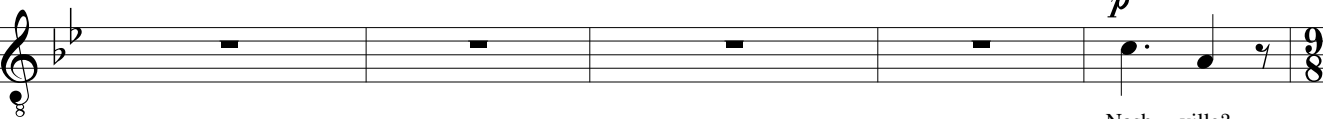
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p

I got sold out-right by Mas - ter Wil - liams and shipped here from Nash - ville.

York

109

p

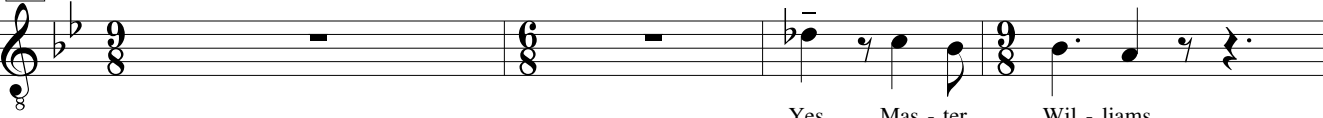
Nash - ville?

109

p

Simon

114



Yes. Mas - ter Wil - liams.

(only slowly realizing what Simon has said)

York

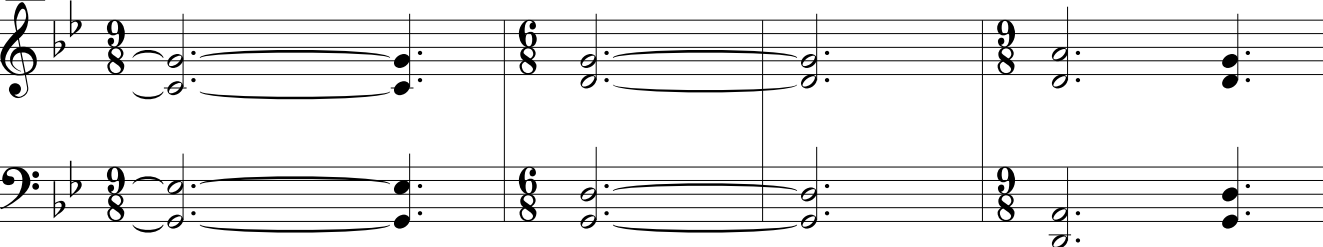
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mp

Your old Mas - ter ____ is in Nash - ville?

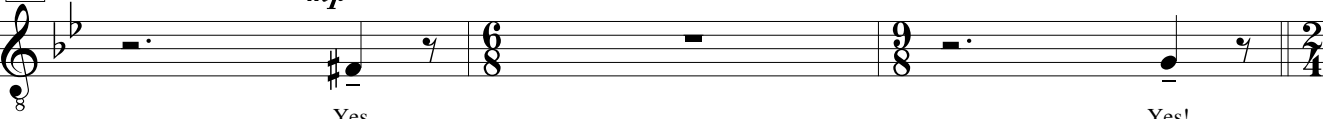
E - ze - ki - el

114



Simon

118

mp

Yes.

Yes!

York

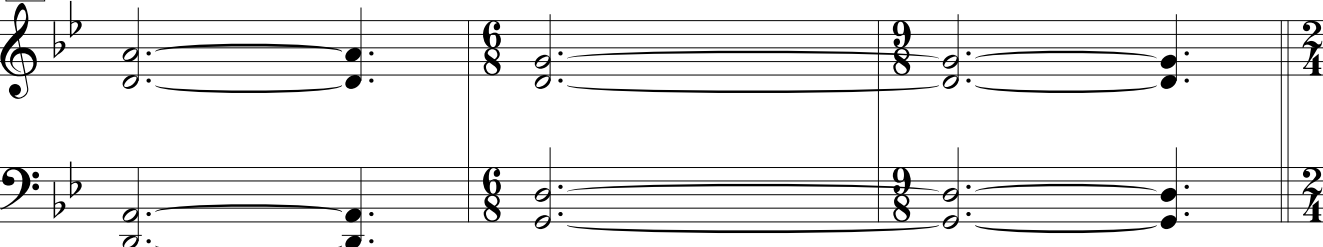
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mf

Wil - liams?

He has a wife called Sa - ra?

118



Allegro eccitato ♩ = 120

York 121 *mf*

Quick! Tell me, Si - mon, do they have a slave that runs the

mp poco staccato

Simon 126 *f*

You mean old Ma - ry?

York 126 *f*

house? Ma - ry!

York 131 *mf*

Tell me, Si - mon, tell me ev - 'ry - thing. When did you see her?

mf

York

137

How did she look? What did she say? How has she been.

York

143

f freely

Oh, the years and years since I have seen my Ma -

colla voce

Simon

148

mf

She

York

mp

ry. My vir - tu - ous and mod - est Ma - ry.

148

p

Simon

152

a tempo

ain't all that mod - est. The way that she yells at that daugh - ter of

152

a tempo

mp

poco rit.

Quasi recitative

Simon *mp* hers. She's

York *mp* Daugh - ter? She is mar - ried?

157 *p*

Simon *Espressivo* $\text{♩} = 58$ mat - ed with some slave from round a - bouts.

York *mf* Oh, Ma - ry,

162

York *dim.* Ma - ry, could you not have wait - ed? No, we have wait - ed

167 *dim.*

York

172 *p*

too long. I have wast - ed my life.

172 *p*

Simon

Andante semplice ♩ = 84

178 *p*

Her daugh - ter's got a fun - ny name: Pa - ci - fi - ca.

178 *p*

York

183 *p* *mp* *mf*

Pa - ci - fi - ca? ____ Her girl is named Pa - ci - fi - ca? You know what that means

183 *mp*

Simon

188 *mf*

I thought it meant they could - n't say Pa - tri - ci - a.

York

188 *mf*

boy? No, boy, ____ it's the sea, the

192 *mp* *p* 123

York

West - ern Sea. Ma - ry named her daugh - ter af - ter the West - ern Sea. How

192 *p*

197 *p* *mp*

Simon

She's young - er than me. She's old - er than eight.

York

old is this Pa - ci - fi - ca?

197 *pp cresc. poco a poco*

201 *mf* *f*

York

Nine years. Nine years a - go in a sin - gle week I touched e - ter - ni - ty.

201 *mp cresc.* *mf*

206 *mp* *p*

York

Pa - ci - fi - ca! Pa - ci - fi - ca! My own. Tell me Si - mon, have

206 *dim.* *mp* *p*

Simon 211

p No, he nev - er comes a - round.

York

you ev - er seen the man Ma - ry is mat - ed to?

211

York 216

mf Ha! It weren't for lack of try - ing! *f* I am Ma - ry's hus - band. I am Pa - ci - fi - ca's

216

cresc. *mf*

York 221

fa - ther.

Young 221

mf This here is your bus - y

221

f *ff* molto dim. *mp*

Quasi recitative

125

O'Fallon 226 *mp* York? York, is that you? — *mp*

York You know me, sir?

Young day, old man. You got a vis - i - tor.

O'Fallon 231 *cresc.* *mf* I was on - ly a boy the last you saw me. I am John - ny, York. John - ny O' -

O'Fallon 235 *f* Fal - lon. — Wil - liam Clark's neph - ew. — *f*

York So, you

Piano 226 *p*

Piano 231 *cresc.*

Piano 235 *mf*

Allegro marcato ♩ = 112

York

238



come to do the bus - 'ness of your un - cle. The dirt - y

238



York

243



bus - 'ness of a mas - ter. Where am I be - ing sent to

243



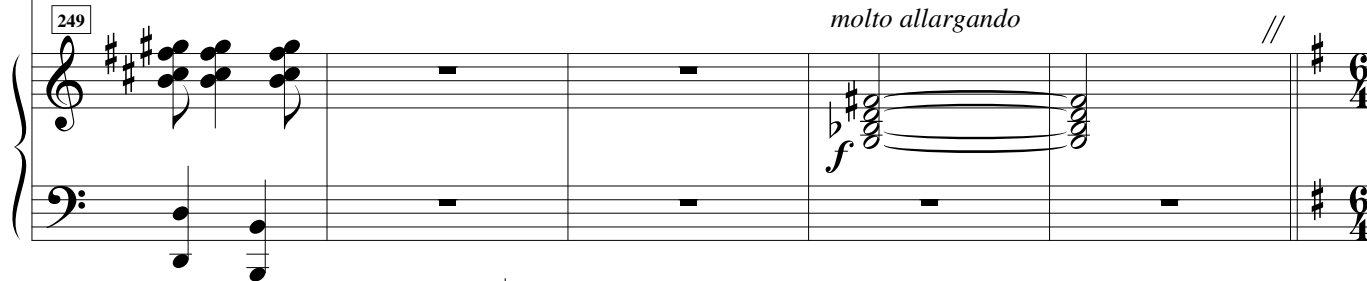
York

249



now?

249



Largo calmato ♩ = 46

O'Fallon

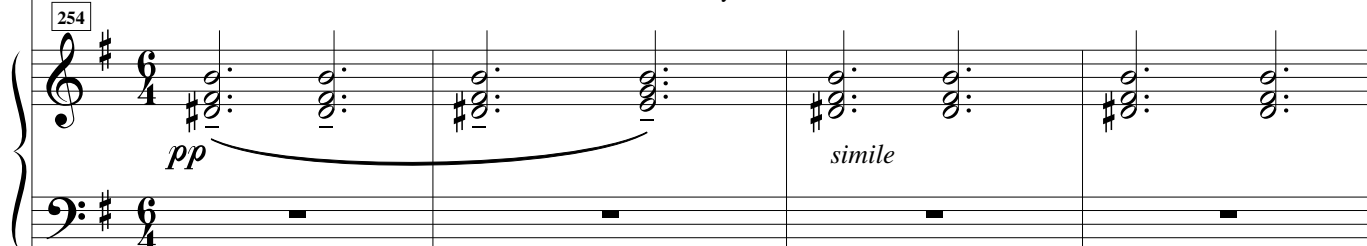
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p sempre legato



Home York. I've come to take you home. Nev - er doubt

254



pp

simile

O'Fallon 258 *mp* *cresc. poco a poco*

that you have friends, old York. Your mas - ter's wife, my Aunt Ju - lia, has

258 *cresc. poco a poco*

O'Fallon 262 *mf* *dim.*

nev - er for - got - ten you. Nine years she's worked for you and

262 *mf*

O'Fallon 266 *p*

fin - al - ly he re - lents. Come with me, York. We're go - ing

266 *dim.* *p*

O'Fallon 269 *molto allargando*

home.

York 269 *mp* *molto allargando*

Home! I'm go - ing

269 *pp*

Larghetto stringendo $\text{♩} = 58$

York

S.

A.

T.

B.

home! _____

mf

God's char-i-ot's a - com - ing to

mf

God's char-i-ot's a - com - ing to

mf

God's char-i-ot's a-com ing to

mf

God's char-i-ot's a-com ing to

*p cresc. poco a poco**mf*

S.

A.

T.

B.

f allarg.

car - ry us a-way to Jor - dan, to car - ry us a-way to Jor - dan. _____

f

car - ry us a-way to Jor - dan, to car - ry us a-way to Jor - dan. _____

f

car - ry us a-way to Jor - dan, to car - ry us a-way to Jor - dan. _____

f

car - ry us a-way to Jor - dan, to car - ry us a-way to Jor - dan. _____

*allarg.**f*

Act Two. Scene Nine

Clark, Julia, York, Pacifica, Mary, Brady and Company

Adagio con moto ♩ = 72

1

f *mf*

6

mp *poco riten.*

Clark

Your heart is

poco riten.

dim.

11 **Meno mosso** ♩ = 69 *mp*

Julia

I am de - ter-mined to un - do what harm I can. The doc - tors

Clark

fixed up - on this de - ci - sion?

11 *mp*

15 *mf*
 Julia say I am in dan - ger with this preg - nan - cy. I will not meet my Lord with York up -

15
 on my soul.

Clark *mf* *mp*
 Tush! You will out - last us all. But I have drawn up all the

19
 York, we have tried, these

York *mf*
 Mis - tress Ju - lia, you called for me?

Clark
 pa - pers.

23 *p* *mf* *p*
 23

Julia 27

past four years, to make up for the eight you spent a - way.

Clark

mf You got trained good.

27

mp

York 31

mf I am be - hold-en to you both, Mas-ter Clark, Mis-tress Ju-lia.

Clark

Now you can man-age an - y bus-'ness.

31

mf

Julia 35

mp And the mon-ey you have earned for us we saved and put a - way un - til this day.

35

subito p *mf*

39 *f*
Julia You are to be free, dear York.

mp
York This day? Free - dom?

39 *mf*

44 *ff*
York Free - dom! *mf* York, a freed - man! Praise God!

Clark Don't car-ry on so. Here are your pa-pers.

44 *dim.* *mp* *mf*

49 *mf*
Julia And

Clark *mf* Here is the mon-ey we have saved for you. It will do to start you up in bus-'ness.

49 *mp*

Julia 53

there is e-nough, York, more than e-nough to pur-chase the free-dom of a - noth-er.

Piano 53

mf

York 57

Ma - ry! I can pur-chase Ma - ry's free - dom!

Clark

I have writ - ten to E - ze - ki - el and

Piano 57

cresc. *f* *mp*

York 61

God bless you both! God bless you to heav - en and

Clark

he has been per-suad - ed.

Piano 61

f

64

York

send his an - gels watch - ing o - ver you!

Clark

mf *mp*

That - 'll do. Don't get so

64

Clark

fired up. You're going to find that be - ing free ain't half as eas - y as the life you're

67

67

Julia

poco rit. *mp* *a tempo*

We will not keep you, York.

York

mp

Be - lieve me, sir, I am wil - ling to ad - just.

Clark

used to.

70

70

poco rit. *a tempo*

p

Julia 74

You have a press-ing mis-sion. And no long-er need per-mis-sion to de-part. You'll find a

74

Julia 77 *molto rit.* **Largo espressivo** ♩ = 54

horse and cart at your dis-pos-al. Oh, and this.

Clark *mp*

77 *molto rit.* *mp*

Clark 82 *mp*

fig-ured you might want it. _____ York, you are a

82 *p* *pp* *p*

87 *allarg.* *a tempo* *p*

Julia

York

Clark

Good - bye, Wil - liam Clark.

good man. _____

Good - bye, *a tempo*

92 *Espressivo*

Julia

Clark

York.

York.

92 *mp*

97 *mp*

York

Now that it's come no word can ex - press sweet

97 *p* *8* *mp*

York **100** *molto rit.* *p*

lib - er - ty. _____ Soon my love will be free too! _____ Al -

100 *molto rit.*

York **103** **Andante** $\text{♩} = 84$ *poco a poco accelerando* *mp*

though I suf - fered chain and whip, and lost all lib - er - ty, _____ there

103

York **107** *p*

was a spir - it wise and good that hov - ered o - ver me _____ and

107 *mp*

York **111** **Piu mosso** $\text{♩} = 104$ *mf* *sub. p*

whis - pered ev - 'ry night and day a si - lent pray'r, a sin - gle name:

111 *p cresc.* *mf* *p*

115 *mp*

Pacifica *mp* Hush! Don't you be both-er-ing Ma-ry. She is fin-al-ly a-

York *mp* Ma-ry! _____

115 *mp*

119 **Poco piu mosso** ♩ = 116

Pacifica sleep.

York *mf* Then go and wake her! I have come to take her,

119 *mp* *cresc.*

con pedale

122 **Quasi recitativo** *mp*

Pacifica Hush now, you!

York just like I prom-ised I would.

122 *mf* *subito p*

125

Pacifica

Moth - er's tak - en with a fe - ver and needs her rest. _____

mf

York

Moth - er? Who are

125

mp

129

Pacifica

I am called Pa - ci - fi - ca.

p

York

you? _____

pp

p

Pa - ci - fi - ca? The

129

p

133

Allegro grazioso ♩ = 126

mp

Pacifica

Who are you? That is e - xact - ly what my

cresc.

mp

York

child born from a dream of the West - ern Sea.

133

cresc.

mp

137

Pacifica

Moth - er says.

York

cresc. *mf* *dim.*

Your Moth - er and I dreamt you to- geth - er in love four - teen years a -

137

cresc. *mf* *dim.*

141

Pacifica

mp

Fa - ther? ____

York

mp

go. ____ Pa - ci - fi - ca, my daugh - ter. ____

141

mp *p*

145

Mary

mf

Who is mak - ing all this ruck - us?

Pacifica

Moth - er, you should

145

mp

Expansively $\text{♩} = 112$

rit.

Pacifica 148 not be out of bed.

York 148 *ff* Ma - ry!

York 152 *mp* Through dis - tance and ca - lam - i - ty

York 152 *molto dim.* *p*

Mary 155 *mp* My beau - ti - ful, beau - ti - ful boy!

York 155 *mp* I have re - turned.

Pacifica 159 *mp*

Moth - er, you should not be out of bed. I will get you some

Piano 159

Mary 162 *mp*

It's noth - ing at

Pacifica

wa - ter, Moth - er.

York 8

Ma - ry, you've been sick!

Piano 162

Mary 165 **Quasi recitative**

all. I had a spell of diz - zi - ness and the girl as - sumes the worst. There's a

Piano 165

dim. *pp*

Mary 168

bad swamp fe - ver go - ing round. But I am on - ly tired.

York

mp

You should rest your - self.

168

Mary 171

I am fine. Oh York, is it real - ly you?

York

Sit down. I came

171

York 175 *mf*

quick as I could. Ma - ry, I am free. And Wil - liams has a - greed to let me

175

York

179 *p*

buy your free - dom. I want - ed to be the first to tell you.

179 *p*

Mary

182 *mf* $\bullet = 84$

York! You are a sneak.

York

mf

Ma - ry! You are a will - ful girl.

182 *mf* *mp* *con pedale*

Mary

186 *molto allarg.* *mp* **Largo espressivo** $\bullet = 52$

Oh, it's years and years since I was a girl. But in my dreams

186 *molto allarg.* *p*

Mary

190

I still walk hand in hand with my du - ti - ful, du - ti - ful York.

190 *mp*

193 *mp*

York Years have no pow - er to al - ter you.

193 *p*

197 *cresc. poco a poco*

York Man has no pow - er to change you ___ from my beau - ti - ful, beau - ti - ful

197 *cresc. poco a poco*

201 *f*

Mary This is the face, the hand - some face, ___

York *f*

Ma - ry.

201 *mf*

Mary 205

mp

of the man I wait - ed my life for. _____

York

f

This is the face, the

205

mp

mf

York 209

mp

love - ly face, _____ of the wom - an I walked the world for. _____

209

mp

Quasi recitative (♩ = 100)

Mary 213

mf *mp* *p*

Oh York! I'm still a bit weak. Just let me sit and look at you.

213

p

Mary *mp*

York *p*

217 Look as long as you like. We have our whole life at last to be - gin.

Mary *moving ahead* *holding back pp*

221 ought to be danc - ing, I am so hap - py. But the sur - prise of

Mary *moving ahead* *holding back pp*

224 see - ing you has worn me out. You sneak! Let me rest a bit. Then

Mary *af - ter a nap.*

York

227 I will walk with you out of sla - ver - y and in - to our new

148

*holding back**moving ahead*

Mary **mf** *holding back* **mp** *moving ahead*

I am no slave. As of this moment, at long last,

York

life.

231 *holding back* *moving ahead*

Mary **235** *holding back* *simply*

I am free. Ev - 'ry - bod - y says that ev - 'ry - bod - y gets just what they de - serve.

235 *holding back*

(They kiss. Mary drifts to sleep. York puts his coat around her to keep her warm, then hears Pacifica coming out of the house. She is carrying a cloth and a basin of water with which to cool Mary's fever.)

Mary **239** *p* *very expressively* *pp*

Ev - 'ry - bod - y's right. I got you.

239

p

York **243** *p*

Hush, Pa - ci - fi - ca. Your moth - er is a - sleep. Let her nap a bit, then

243

(As York is speaking, Pacifica moves to Mary, watching her with concern. She realizes that Mary has died and with a gasp drops the basin. York turns to see Mary motionless, and runs to her.)

York

246

af - ter we will pack up and leave. There's a world of things for us to be do - ing now.

246

Andante espressivo

York

249

Ma - ry! _____ Ma - ry!

249

ff $\text{♩} = 92$

f *p* *cresc.*

253

mf *mp dim.*

257

p *mp* *pp* *p*

Allegro marcato ♩ = 112

York 261 *f* *mf*

I lived my whole life____ chas - ing af - ter a dream.____ It's

York 264 *ff* *f*

dead now and bur - ied. Child, I vow you will know a

York 268 *dim.* *allarg.* *mp* **Andante espressivo** ♩ = 96

bet - ter world.____ Some - where that you may wan - der and be

York 272 *molto allarg.*

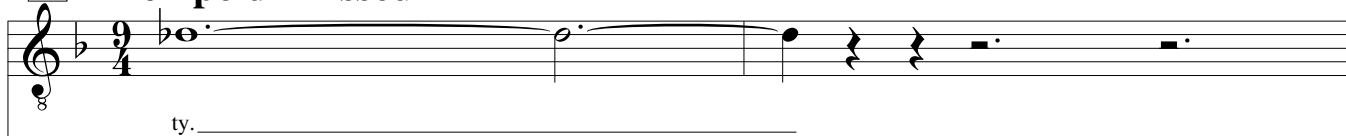
free.____ Some - where with chil - dren born in lib - er -

Tempo di Missouri

151

York

275

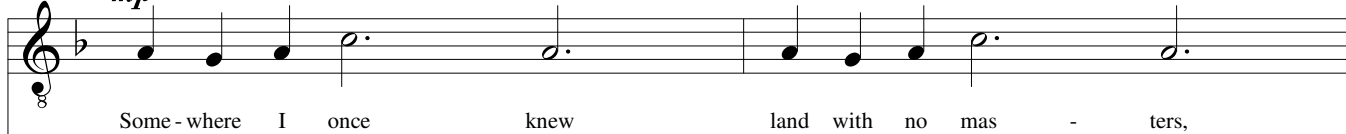


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York

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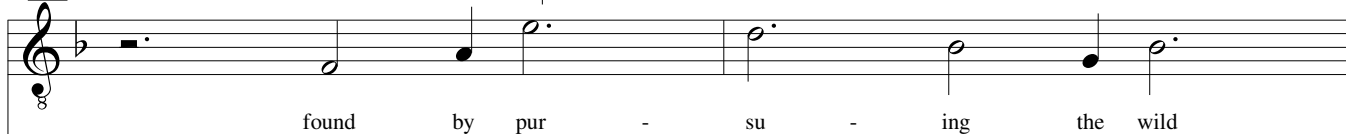


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York

279



279



York

281



281



Largo espressivo

$\text{♩} = 44$

York

284

*molto cresc.**f* ♩ = 48*sub. mp*

trace that Mis - sou - ri be - yond the cruel sway of mas - ters and bond - age. I

284

mf

York

287

*cresc.**molto allarg.**f a tempo*

know of a vil - lage where wom - en are treas - ured and no man is slave.

287

*molto allarg.**a tempo**p**cresc.*

290

mf

293

dim. poco a poco

Brady (*spoken*)

And that was the end of York.

No white man ever heard from him again. Except for one curious report.

A wandering explorer got himself lost in the wilds of Wyoming. He met up with a tribe of Crow Indians who helped him out. And one of the chiefs of the tribe, a tall free man respected by all, was a black man, an aged Negro, who told stories of a time long before, when he had been with Captains Meriwether Lewis and William Clark and walked across America in search of the Western Sea.

Historians never believed that story.. But it's true, and I know it. 'Cause you see...

(*Brady opens the Possibles Box and pulls out Floyd's coat.*)

York did make his way back West, to the only land where he ever knew freedom.

And when he died he left this coat and this chest to Pacifica.

And she left them to me, her son.

And on nights like this, when the wind is still and the whole earth seems to hold its breath in silence, I can hear them all – the spirits of all those men and women questioning their lives, questioning their choices, questioning us.

[Slowly we are able to see stretched across the stage the ghostly members of the expedition and the Indians they met in a line, staring straight ahead towards the audience. The other characters of the story come forward two by two (except for Mary who is alone until joined by York). They sing directly to the audience of their hopes and fears, sharing what they have learned now that their lives are done.]

Freely $\text{♩} = 60$

Julia *mp* Land of the fu - ture, dream of our hope, _____

Sara *mp* Land of the fu - ture, dream of our hope, _____

303 *l. h.* *p* *con pedale*

Tempo di Missouri $\text{♩} = 66$

Sacaja-wea *mp* We

Julia hear the prayer _____ of our troub - led souls, _____

Sara hear the prayer _____ of our troub - led souls, _____

Lewis *mp* We

307 *dim.* *molto legato*

310 *molto legato*

Sacaja-wea
strug - gled be - fore you. Now we im - plore you

Lewis
8 *molto legato*
strug - gled be - fore you. Now we im - plore you

Tenor
8 *pp*
Oo

Bass
8 *pp*
Oo

310

312 *cresc.* *f*

Sacaja-wea
find a bet - ter way.

Lewis
8 *cresc.* *f*
find a bet - ter, a bet - ter way.

Tenor
8 *poco cresc.*

Bass
poco cresc.

312

315 *f* *dim.*

Clark

Be - ware the hour _____ of thought - less pow - er and the mas - ter's

Ezekiel

Be - ware the hour _____ of thought - less pow - er and the mas - ter's

Tenor

mp *dim.*

Bass

Ah *mp* *dim.*

Ah

315 *f* *dim.*

318

Clark

sway.

Ezekiel

sway.

Sop.

mp cresc.

Find a way, _____ find a

Alto

mp cresc.

Find a way, _____ find a

Tenor

mp cresc.

Find a way, _____ find a

Bass

mp cresc.

Find a way, _____ find a

318 *mp* *mp cresc.*

321 *f* way to re - gain free - dom's *mp* dream of the fu - ture.

Alto *f* way to re - gain free - dom's *mp* dream of the fu - ture.

Tenor *f* way to re - gain free - dom's *mp* dream of the fu - ture.

Bass *f* way to re - gain free - dom's *mp* dream of the fu - ture.

321 *f* *p*

Mary *mf* **Freely**

Beau - ti - ful hus - bands,

324 *dim.* *pp* *mf* *colla voce*

Mary 327

du - ti - ful sons, _____ have you _____ fin - ished what we be - gun? _____

l. h.

327 *mp* *dim.*

Mary 330

Pacifica *p* *mp*

York *p* *mp*

Soon lost to sight from all that we knew, _____

330 *p* *cresc.*

Pacifica 333 *cresc.* *mf*

York *cresc.* *mf* *mp*

we found our - selves in a world made new. _____

we found our - selves in a world made new. _____ What is this dawn - ing light,

333 *mf* *mp*

York 336

faint and dim?

mf

York 339

Tell me that morn-ing has brok-en a-gain. Tell me the dream goes

mf

mp

mf

mp

York 343

on, and the vis-ion of free-dom has won. The

cresc.

f

cresc.

York 346

morn-ing has come!

mf

f

York 349 *mf*

The chains of night are shed for new

349 *mf*

8

8:

9/4

Mary 352 *mf*

A new E - den. A land of per - fect

York 352

free - dom. A land of per - fect

352 *mp*

9/4

9/4

9/4

355

Mary

free - dom.

York

free - dom.

mf

Sop.

mf Pre - serve your free - dom.

Alto

mf Pre - serve your free - dom.

Tenor

mf Pre - serve your free - dom.

Bass

mf Pre - serve your free - dom.

Pre - serve your free - dom.

355

poco cresc.

mf

357

Sop.

Cher - ish love.

Alto

Cher - ish, cher - ish love.

Tenor

Cher - ish, cher - ish love.

Bass

Cher - ish love.

357

162 360 *mp* *rit.*

Mary *mp* Cher - ish love.

Pacifica *mp* Cher - ish love.

Sacaja-wea *mp* Cher - ish love.

Julia *mp* Cher - ish love.

Sara *mp* Cher - ish love.

Lewis *mp* Cher - ish love.

York *mp* Cher - ish love.

Clark *mp* Cher - ish love.

Ezekiel *mp* Cher - ish love.

Sop. *mp* Cher - ish love.

Alto *mp* Cher - ish love.

Tenor *mp* Cher - ish love.

Bass *mp* Cher - ish love.

rit.

360 *mp*