THE VISION OF LIFE.

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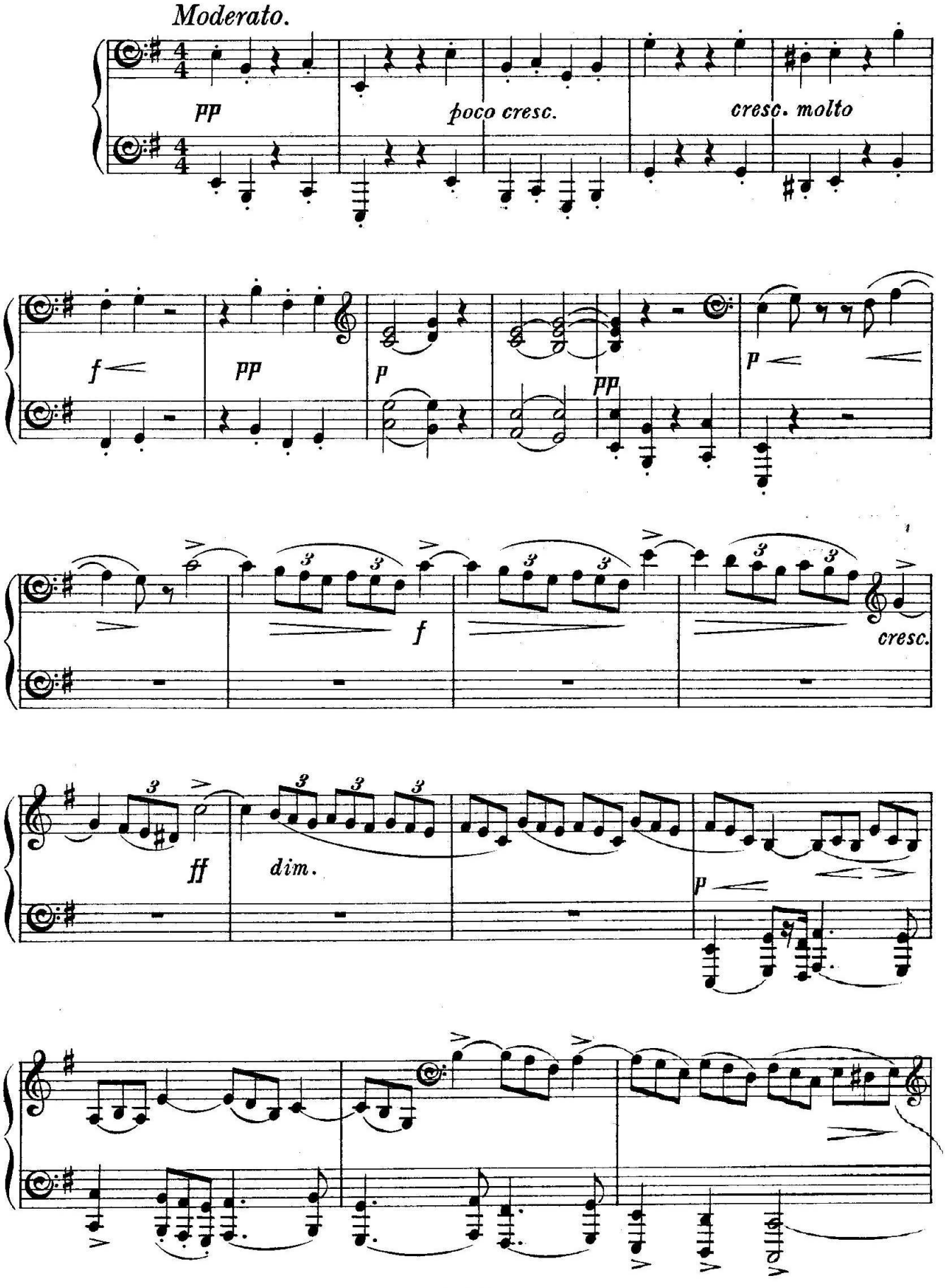

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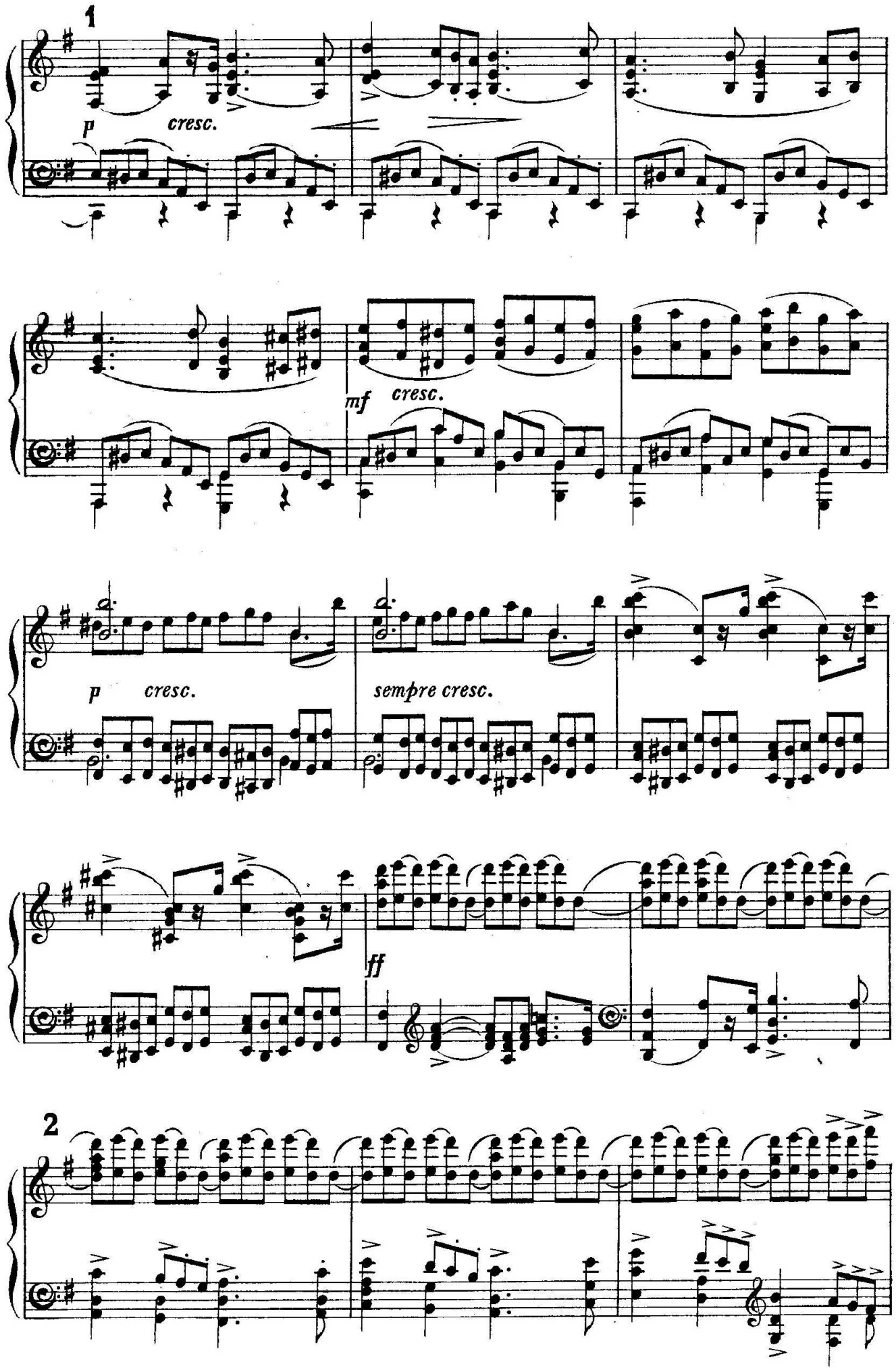
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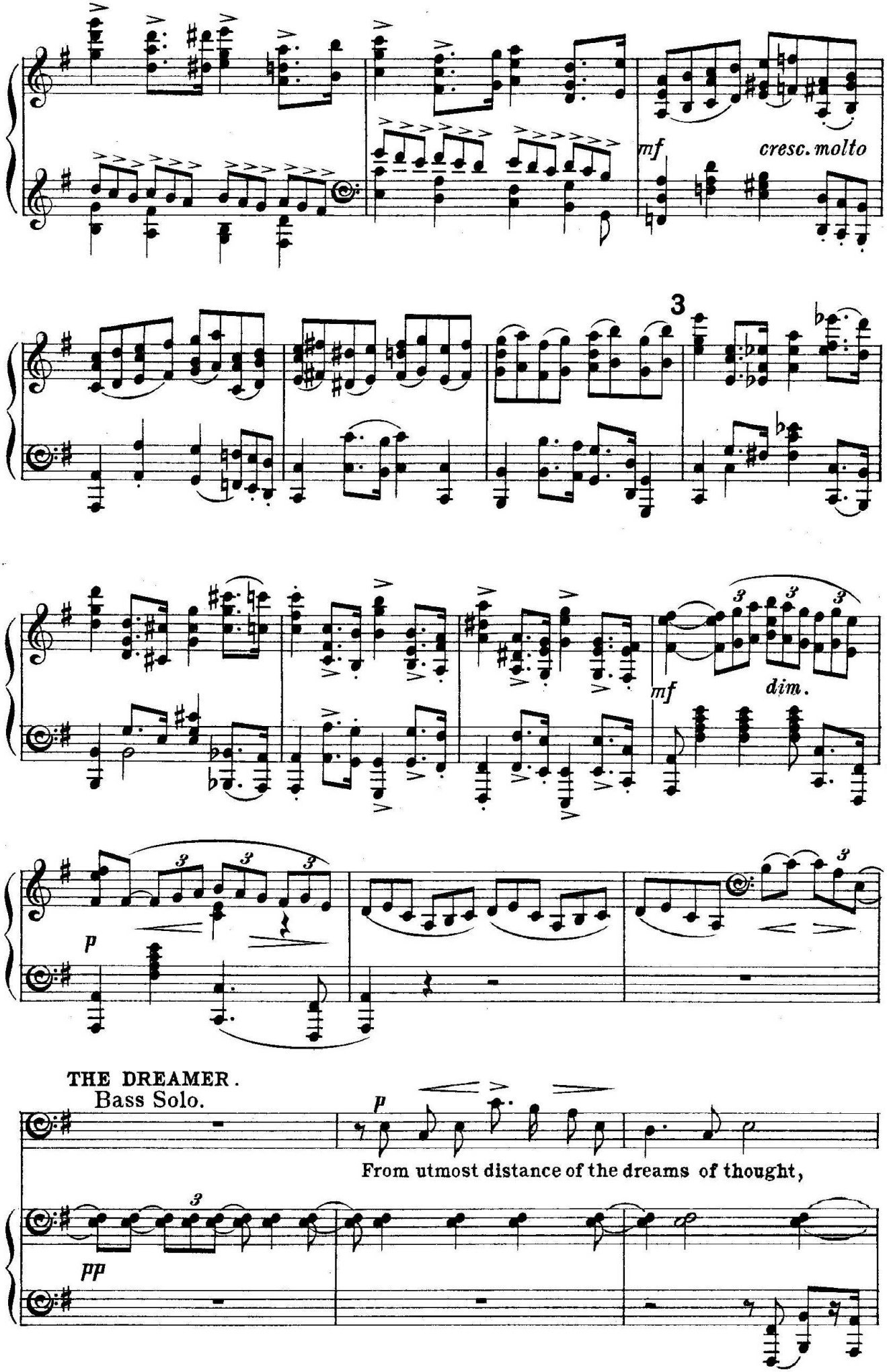
p
cresc.
mf
cresc.
p
cresc.
sempre cresc.
ff
2


mf
cresc. molto
3
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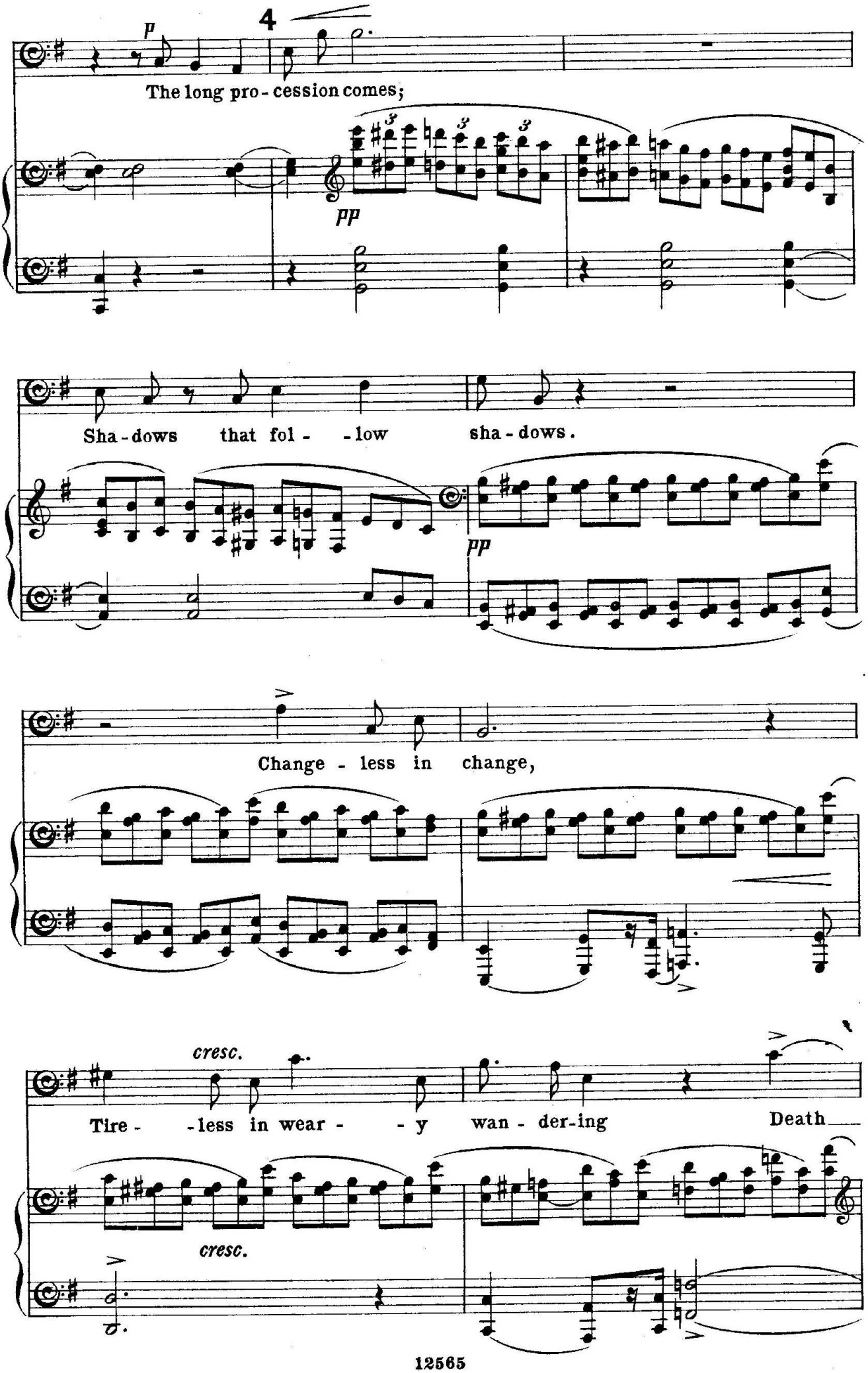
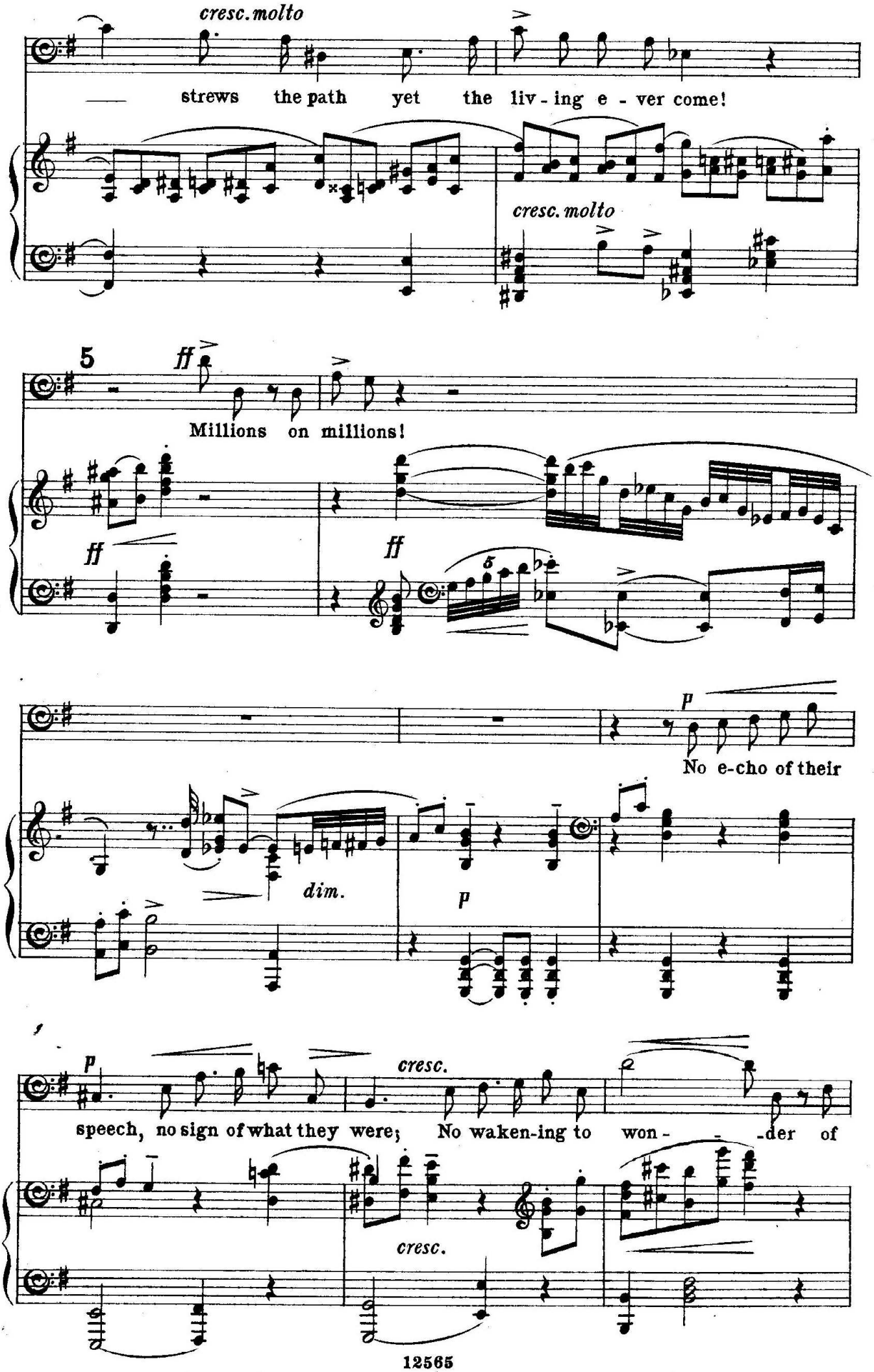
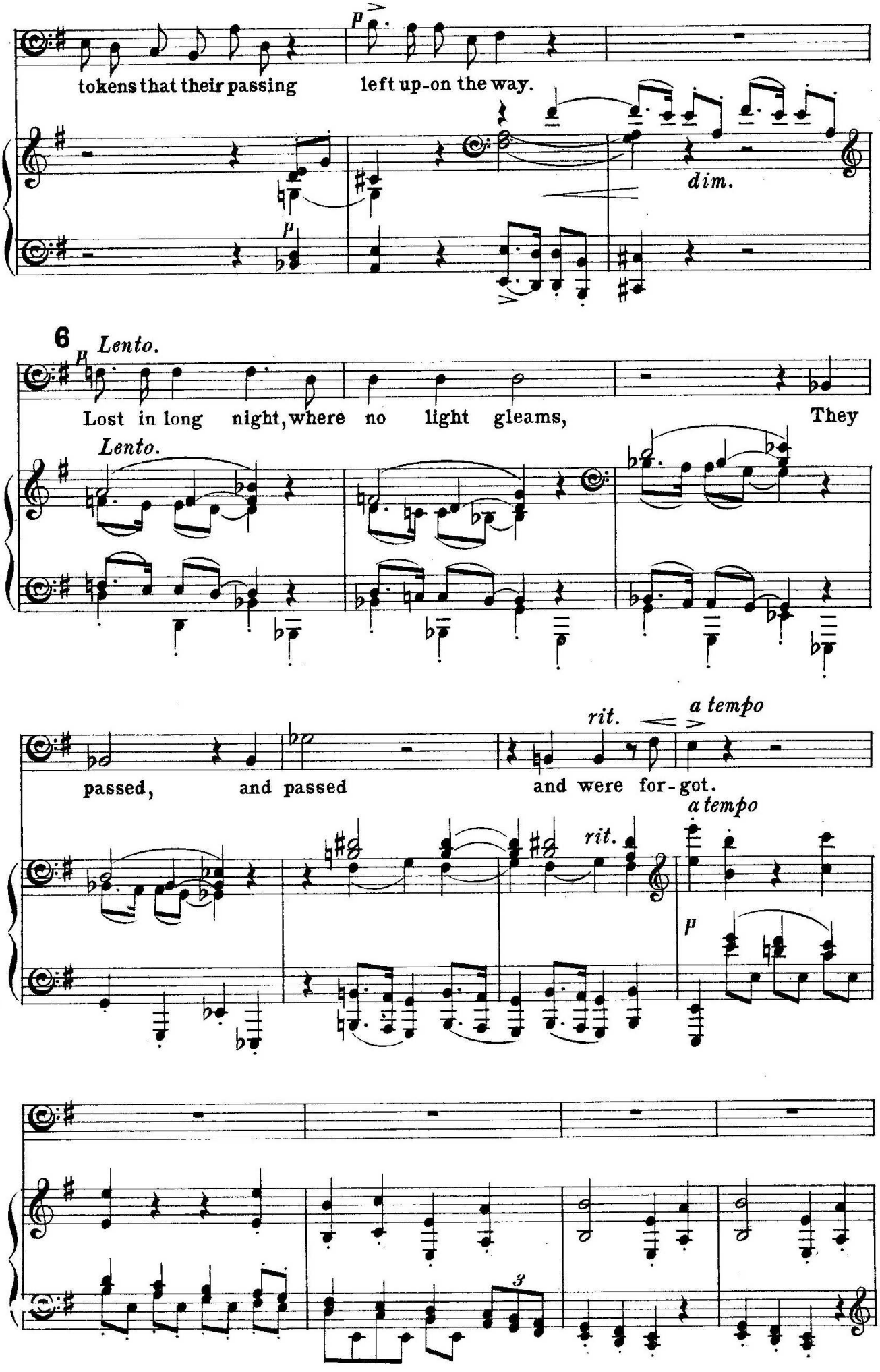
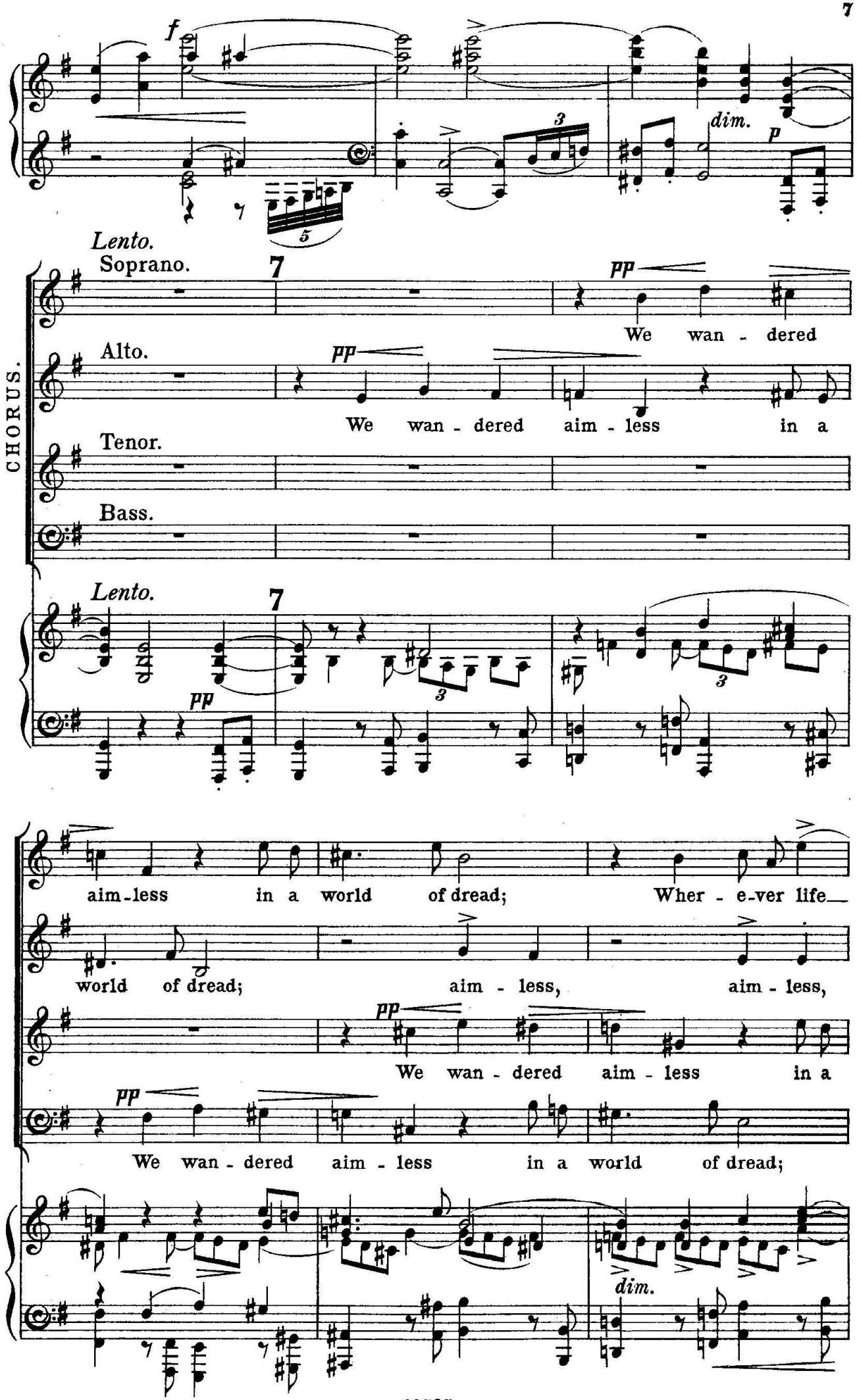
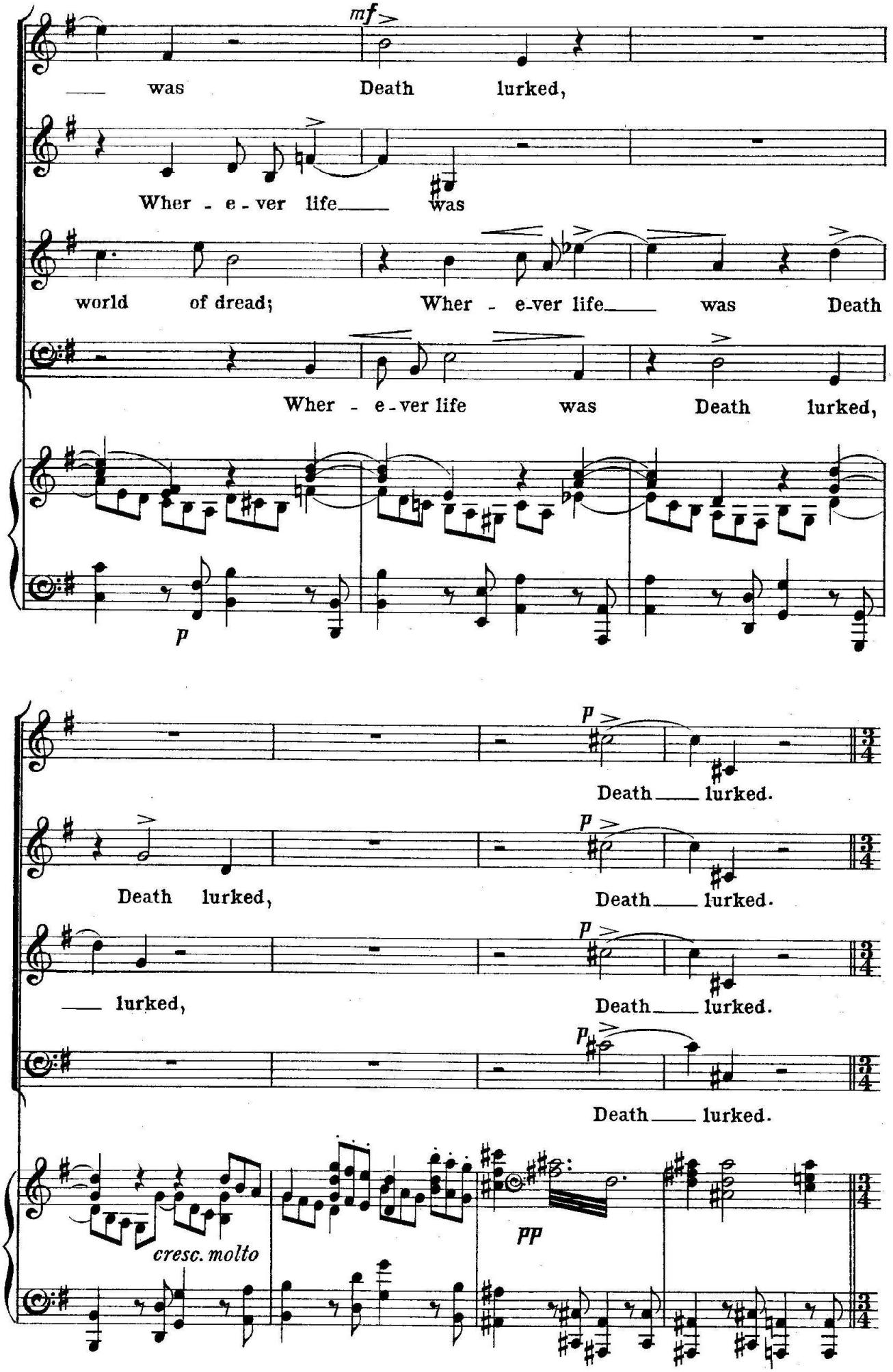
dim.
p
THE DREAMER.
Bass Solo.
p
From utmost distance of the dreams of thought,
pp

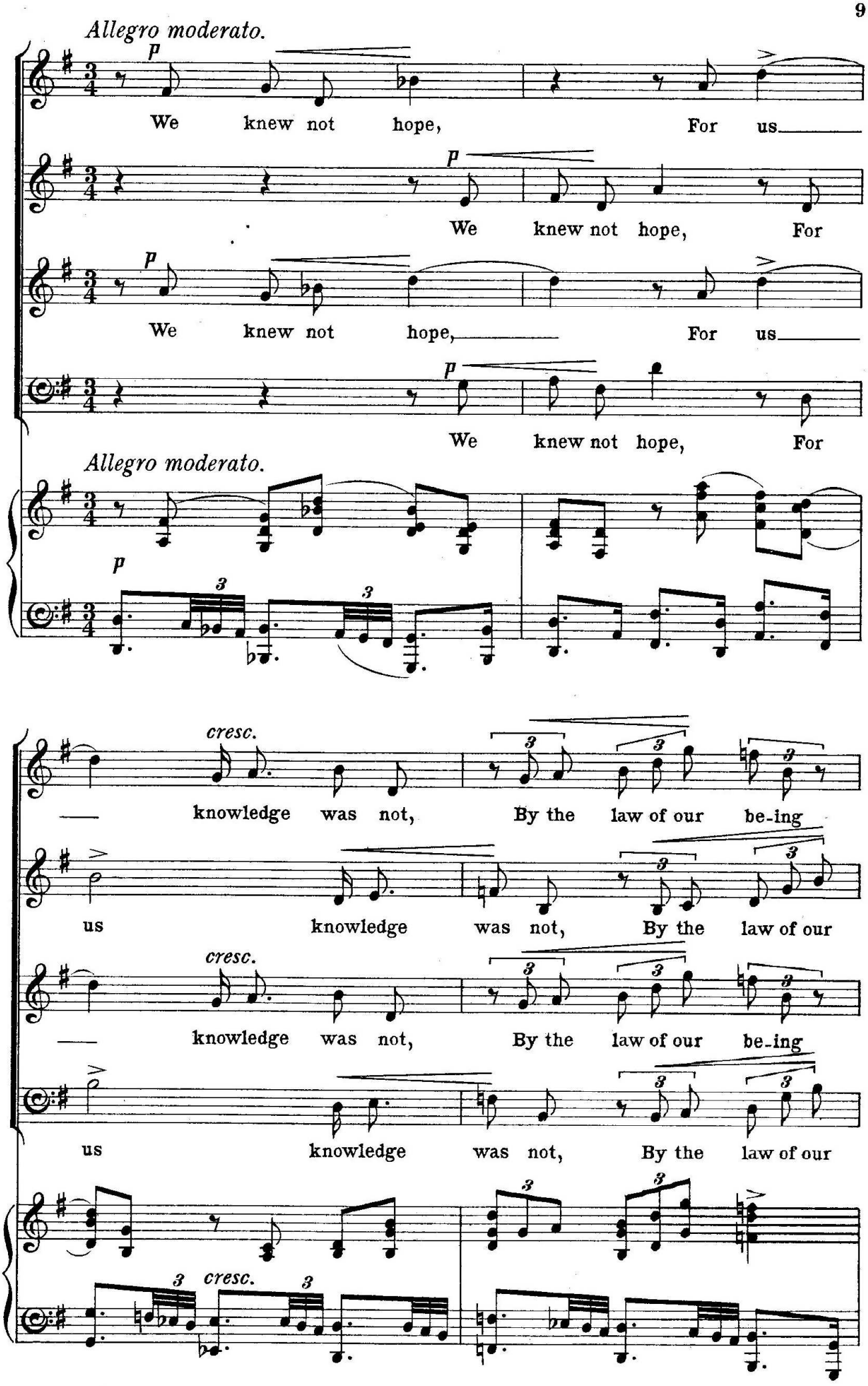

p
4
The long pro - cession comes;
pp
Sha - dows that fol - - low sha - dows.
pp
Change - less in change,
cresc.
Tire - - less in wear - - y wan - der-ing Death
cresc.

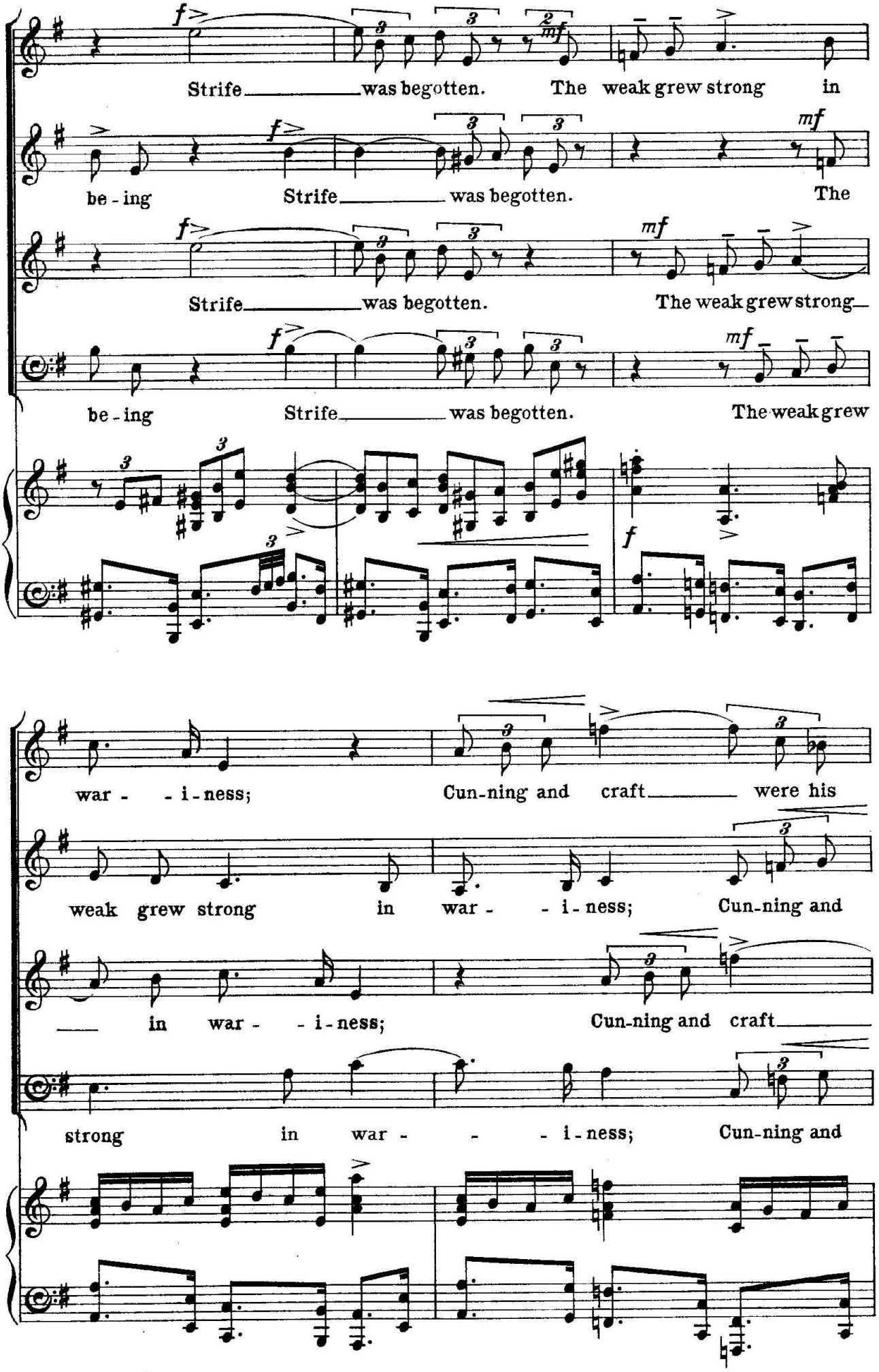

cresc. molto
strews the path yet the liv - ing e - ver come!
cresc. molto
5
ff
Millions on millions!
ff
ff
p
No e-cho of their
dim.
p
p
cresc.
speech, no sign of what they were; No waken-ing to won - - -der of
cresc.

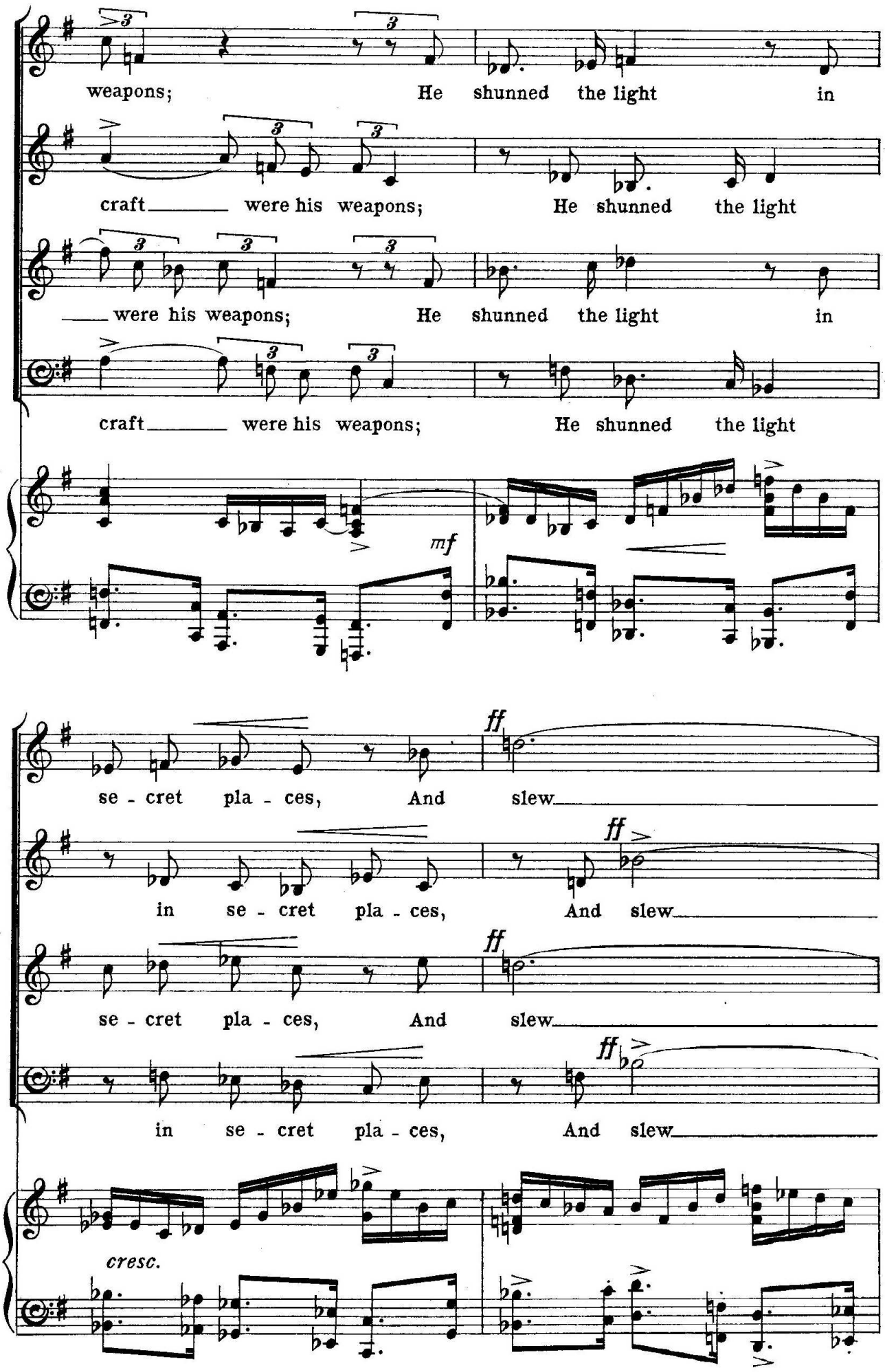

tokens that their passing
left up-on the way.
dim.
6
Lento.
Lento.
Lost in long night, where no light gleams,
They
passed,
and passed
and were for-got.
rit.
a tempo
rit.
a tempo
3

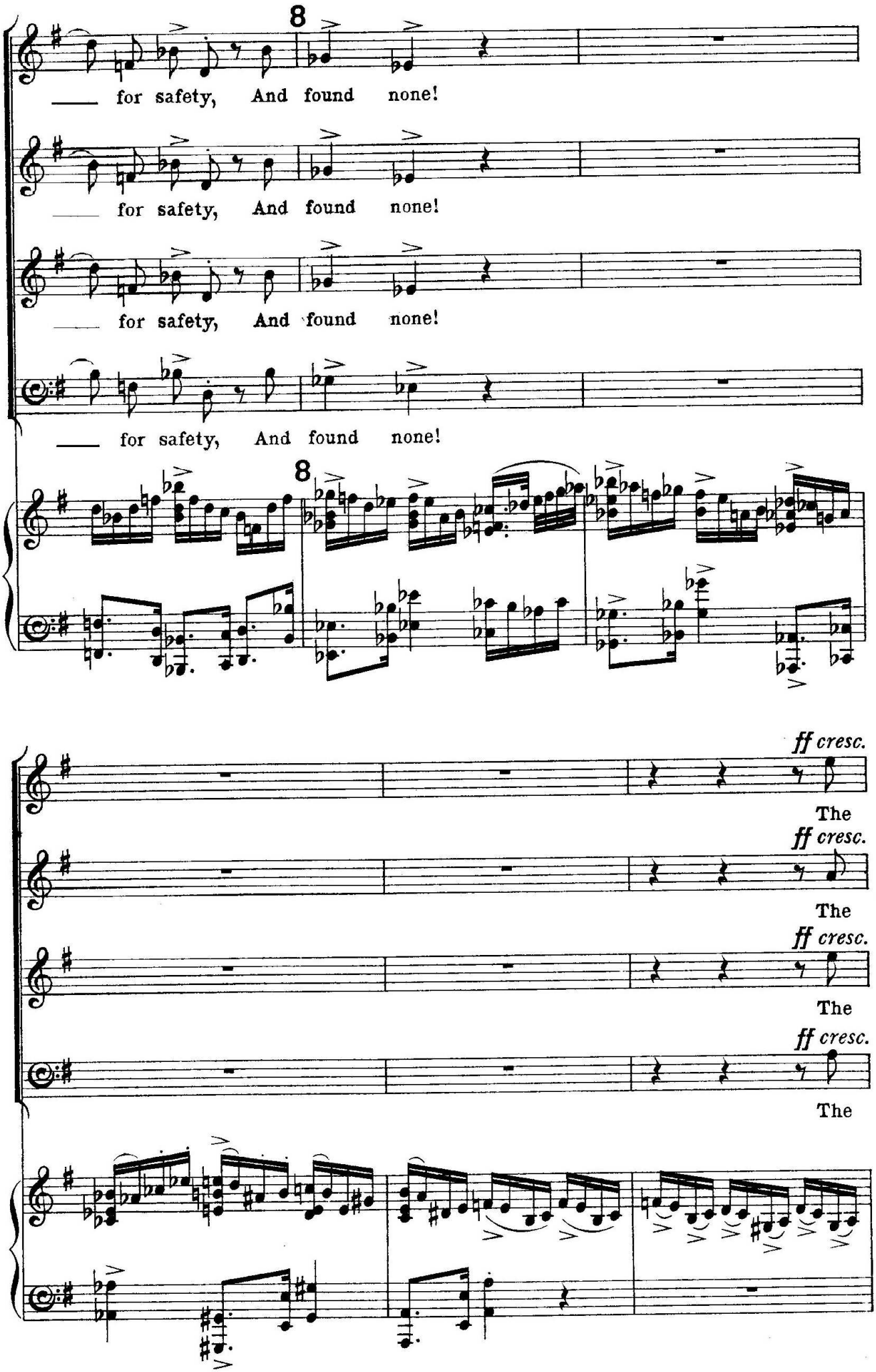

f
dim.
p
Lento.
Soprano.
7
pp
We wan - dered
Alto.
pp
We wan - dered aim - less in a
Tenor.
Bass.
CHORUS.
Lento.
7
pp
aim - less in a world of dread; Wher - e-ver life
world of dread; aim - less, aim - less,
pp
We wan - dered aim - less in a
pp
We wan - dered aim - less in a world of dread;
dim.

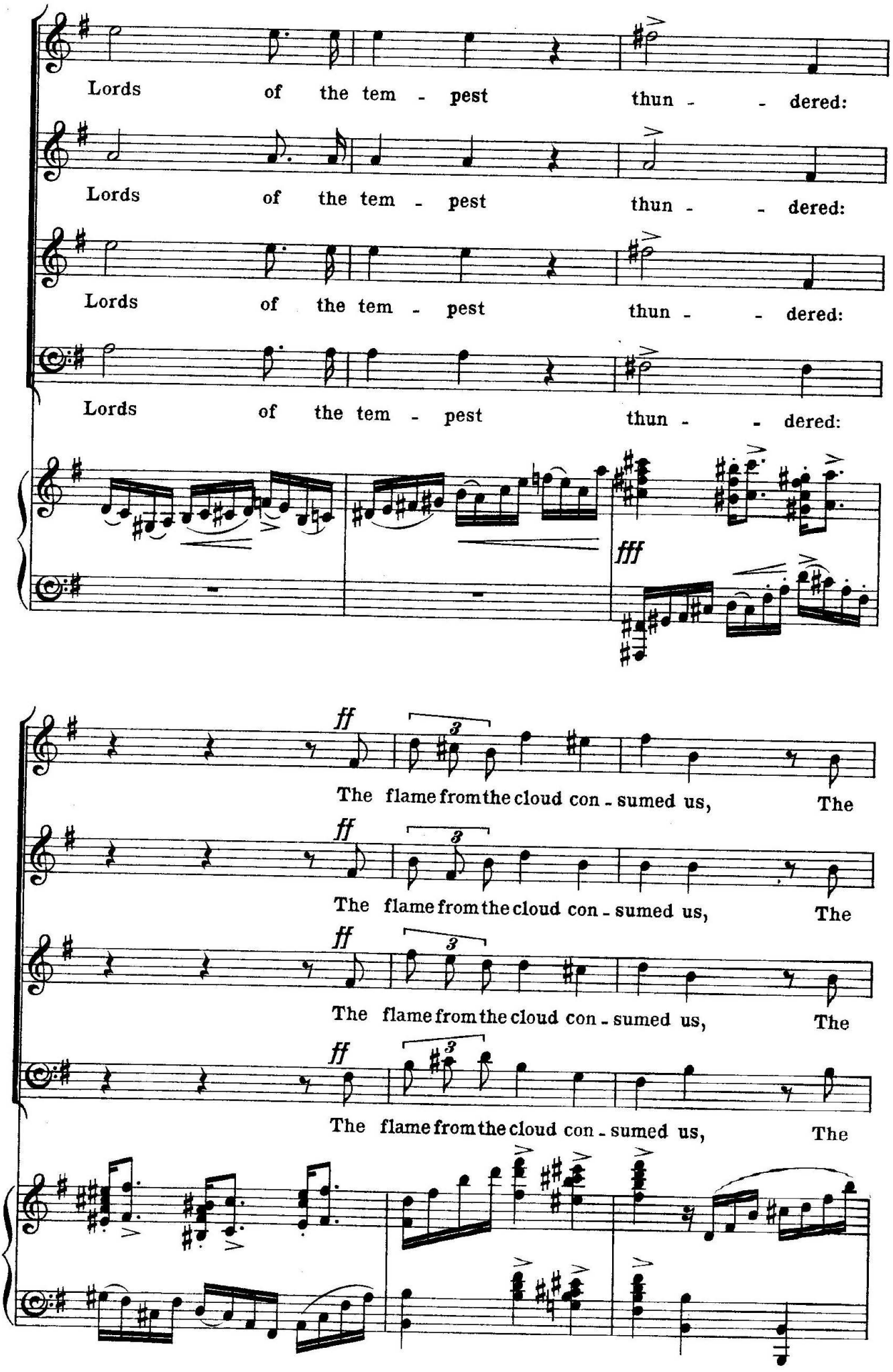

mf
was Death lurked,
Wher - e - ver life was
world of dread; Wher - e-ver life was Death
Wher - e - ver life was Death lurked,
p
p
Death lurked.
Death lurked, Death lurked.
lurked, Death lurked.
Death lurked.
cresc. molto
pp

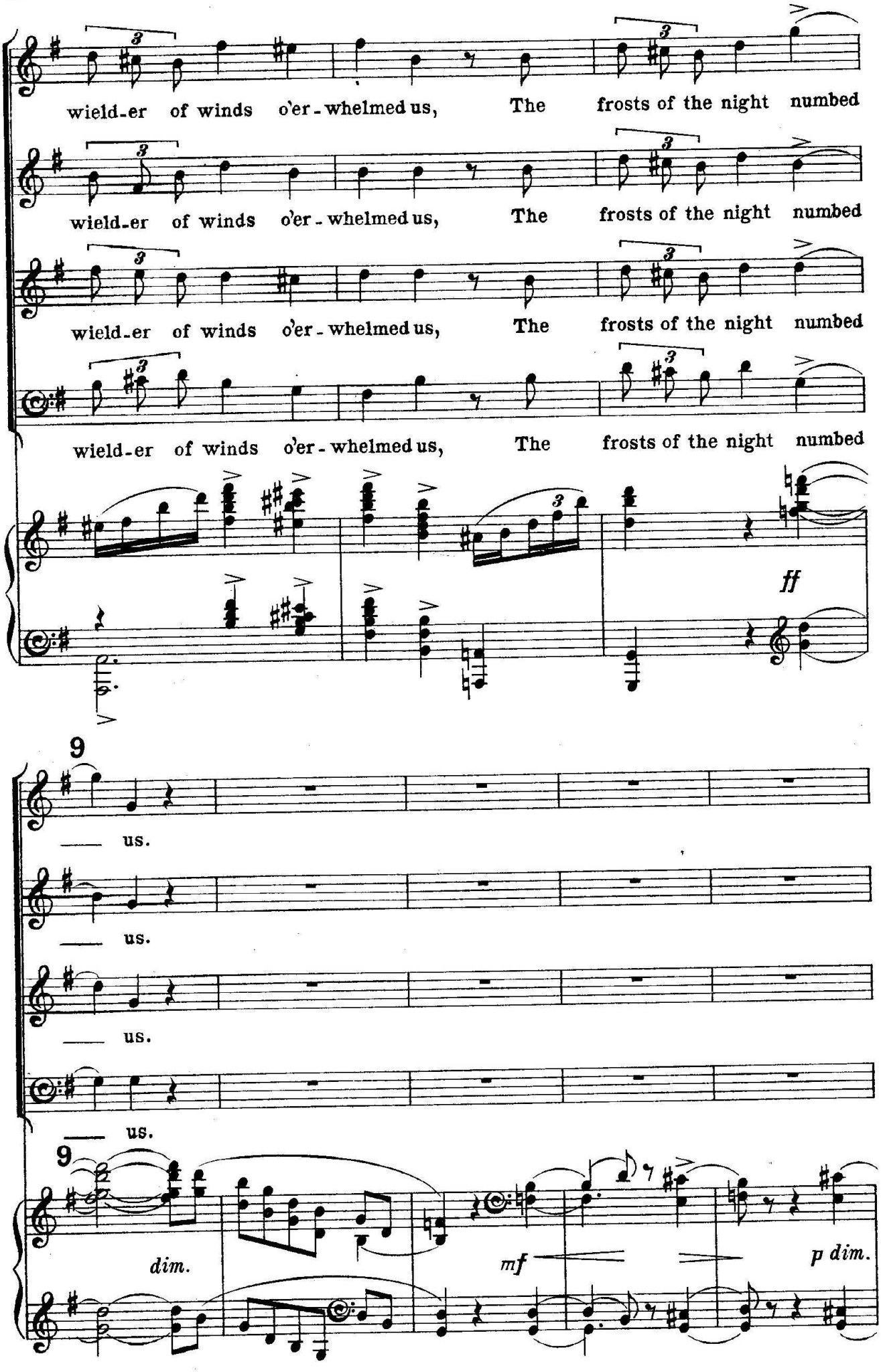

Allegro moderato.
p
We knew not hope, For us
We knew not hope, For
We knew not hope, For us
We knew not hope, For
Allegro moderato.
p
cresc.
knowledge was not, By the law of our be-ing
us knowledge was not, By the law of our
cresc.
knowledge was not, By the law of our be-ing
us knowledge was not, By the law of our
cresc.

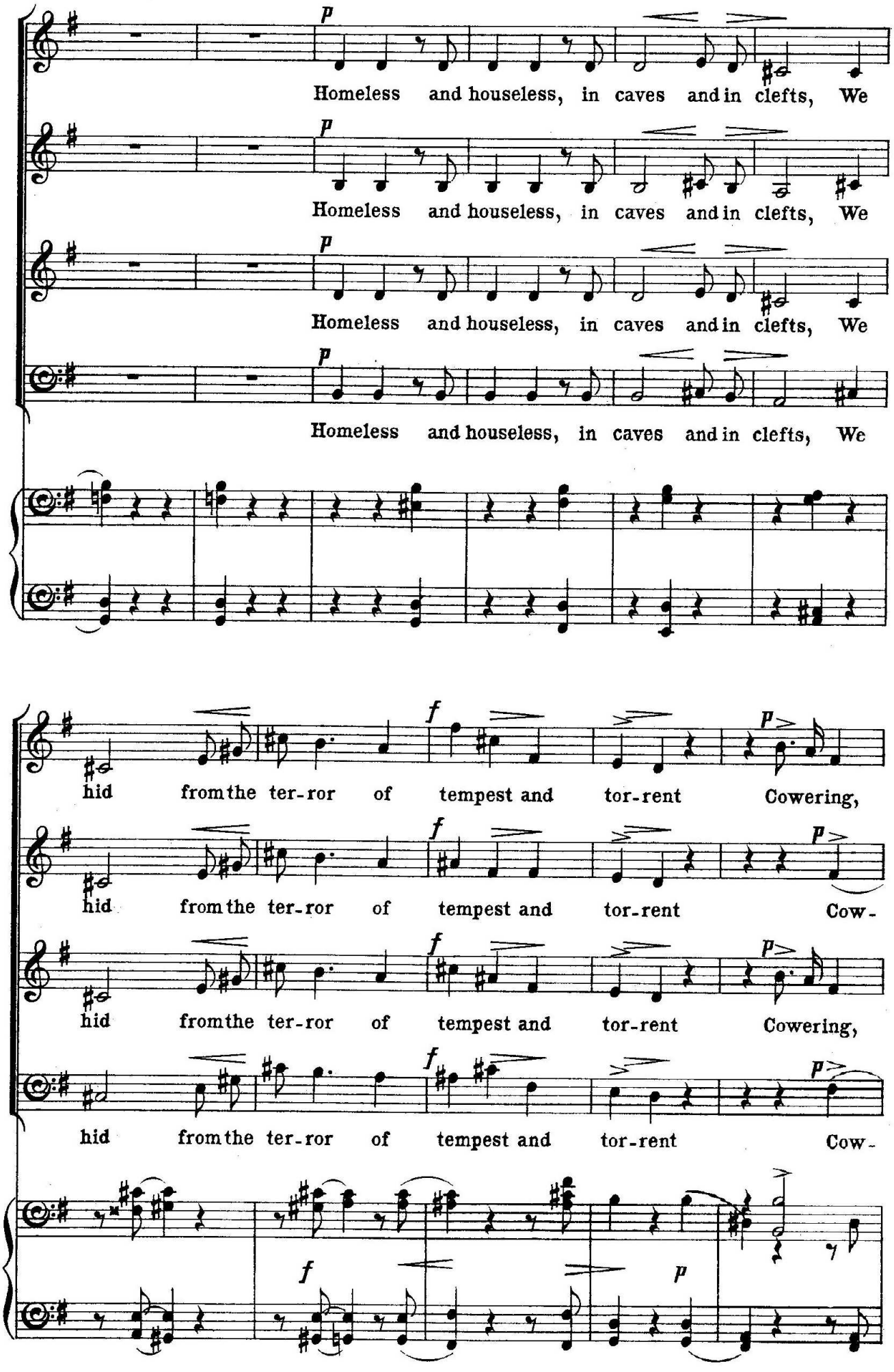

Strife was begotten. The weak grew strong in
be - ing Strife was begotten. The
Strife was begotten. The weak grew strong
be - ing Strife was begotten. The weak grew
war - - i - ness; Cun - ning and craft were his
weak grew strong in war - - i - ness; Cun - ning and
in war - - i - ness; Cun - ning and craft
strong in war - - - i - ness; Cun - ning and

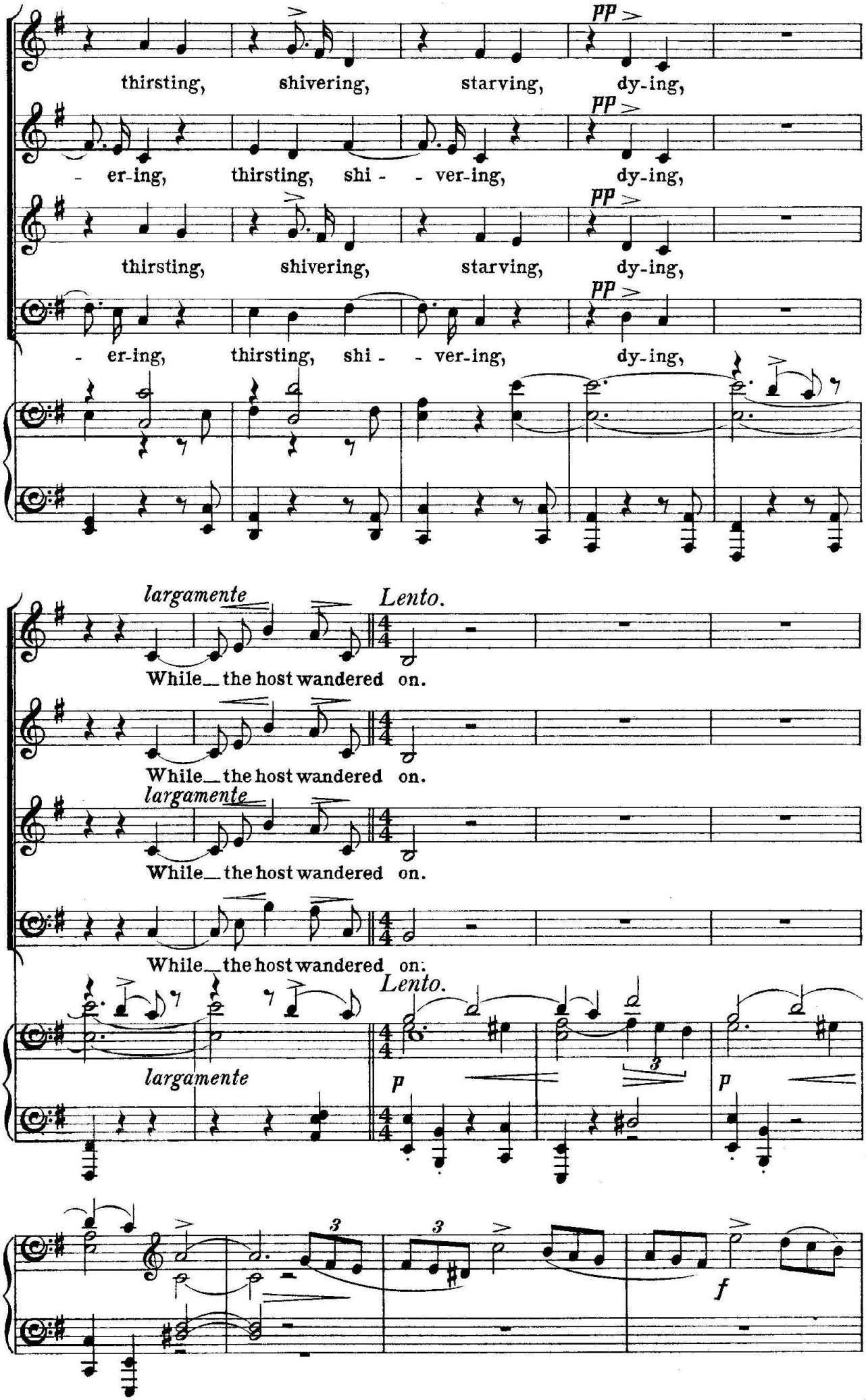

weapons; He shunned the light in
craft were his weapons; He shunned the light
were his weapons; He shunned the light in
craft were his weapons; He shunned the light
mf
se - cret pla - ces, And slew
in se - cret pla - ces, And slew
se - cret pla - ces, And slew
in se - cret pla - ces, And slew
ff
cresc.

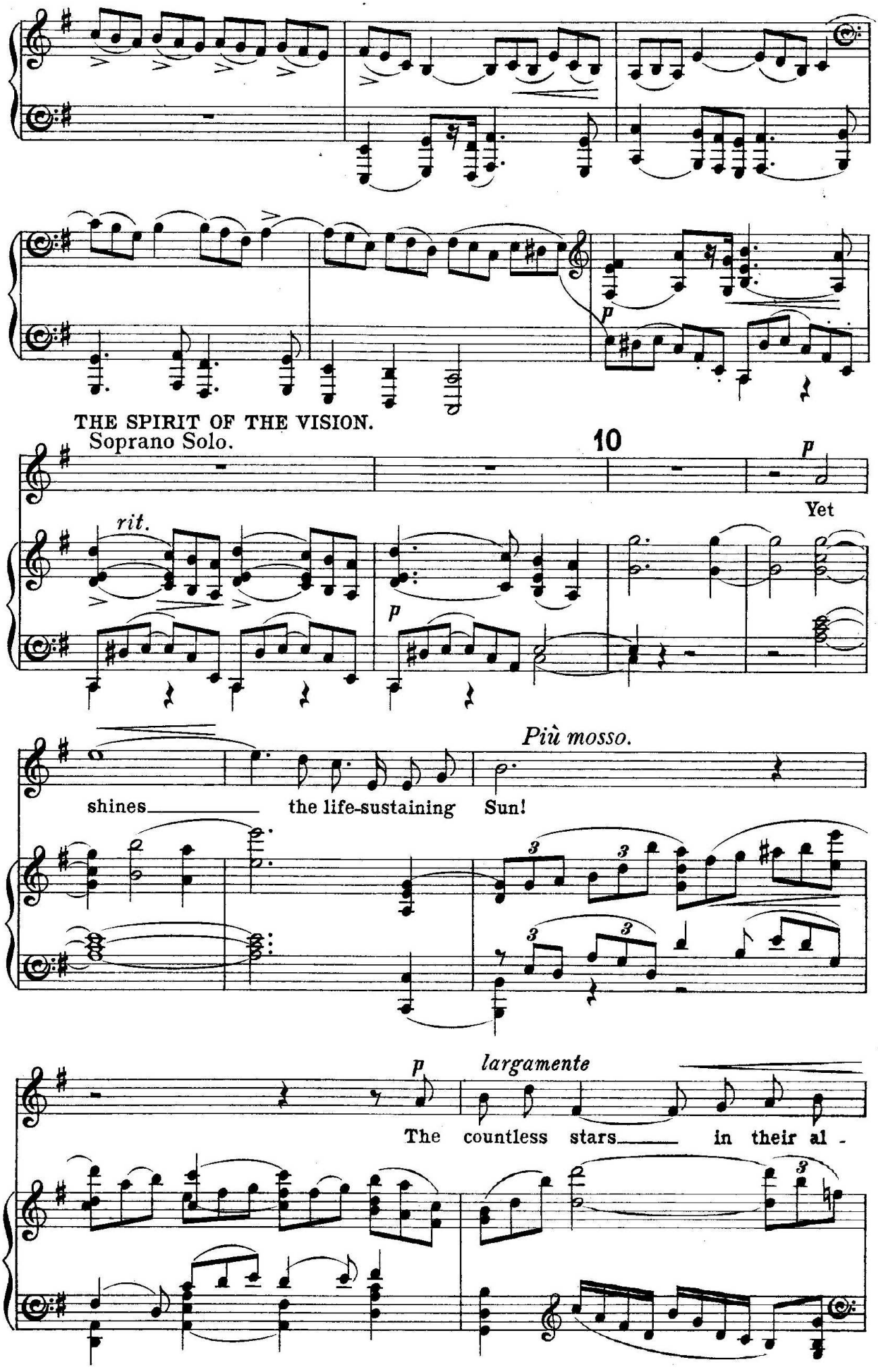

8
for safety, And found none!
for safety, And found none!
for safety, And found none!
for safety, And found none!
8
ff cresc.
The
ff cresc.
The
ff cresc.
The
ff cresc.
The

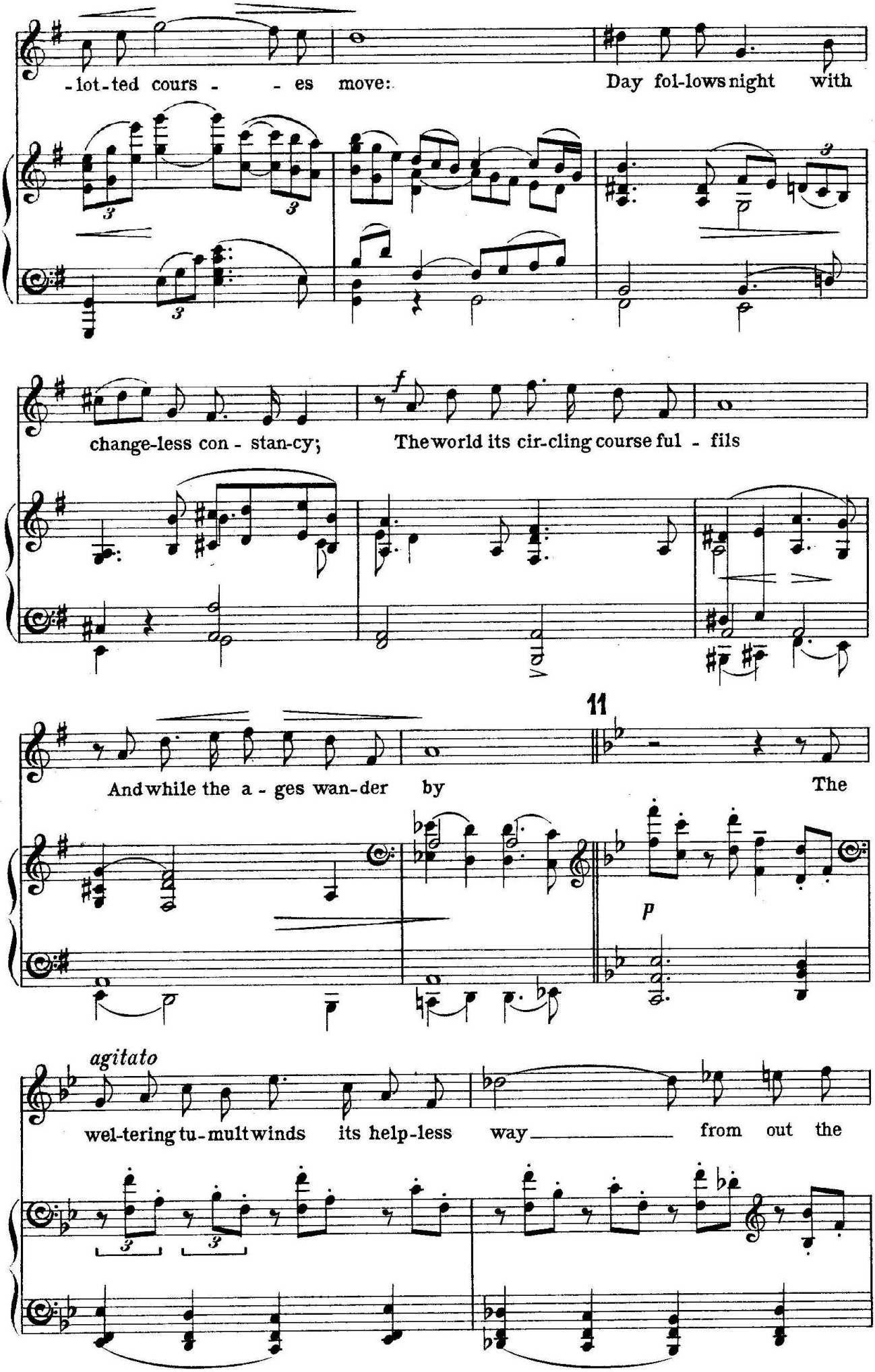

Lords of the tem - pest thun - - dered:
Lords of the tem - pest thun - - dered:
Lords of the tem - pest thun - - dered:
Lords of the tem - pest thun - - dered:
fff
ff
The flame from the cloud con - sumed us, The
The flame from the cloud con - sumed us, The
The flame from the cloud con - sumed us, The
The flame from the cloud con - sumed us, The

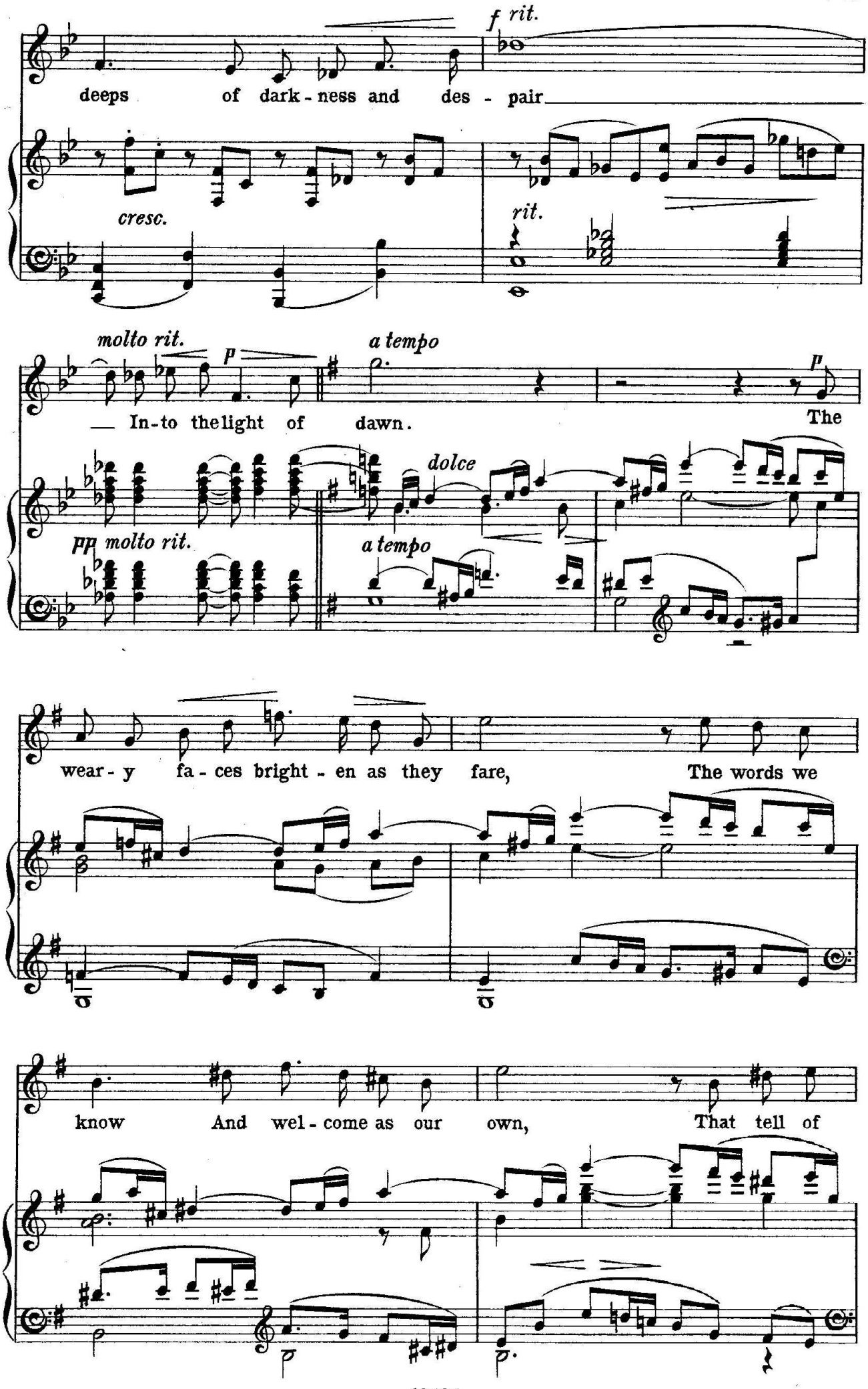

wield-er of winds o'er-whelmed us, The frosts of the night numbed
wield-er of winds o'er-whelmed us, The frosts of the night numbed
wield-er of winds o'er-whelmed us, The frosts of the night numbed
wield-er of winds o'er-whelmed us, The frosts of the night numbed
ff
9
us.
us.
us.
us.
9
dim.
mf
p dim.

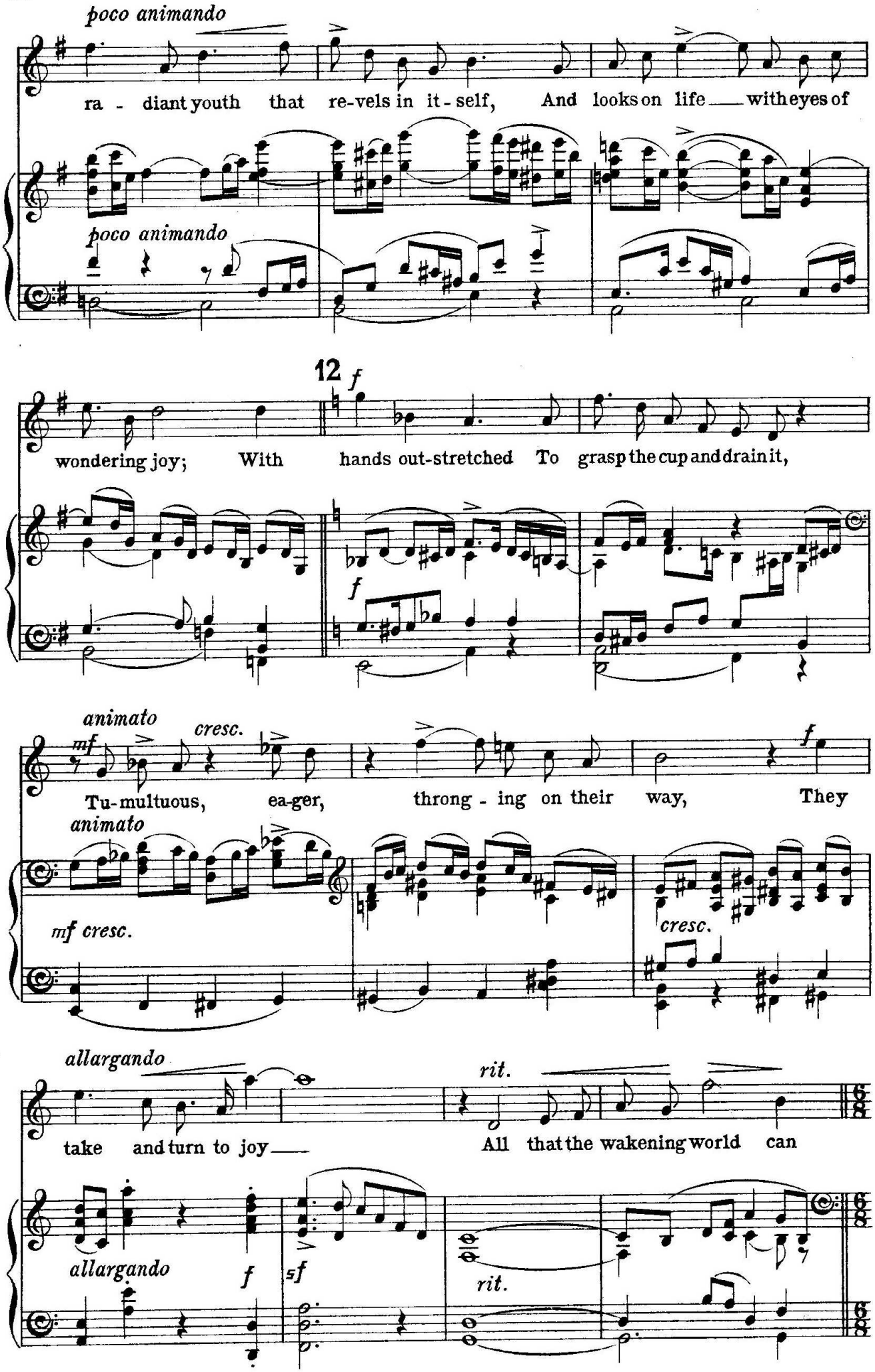

p
Homeless and houseless, in caves and in clefts, We
Homeless and houseless, in caves and in clefts, We
Homeless and houseless, in caves and in clefts, We
Homeless and houseless, in caves and in clefts, We
f
p
hid from the ter-ror of tempest and tor-rent Cowering,
hid from the ter-ror of tempest and tor-rent Cow-
hid from the ter-ror of tempest and tor-rent Cowering,
hid from the ter-ror of tempest and tor-rent Cow-
f
p

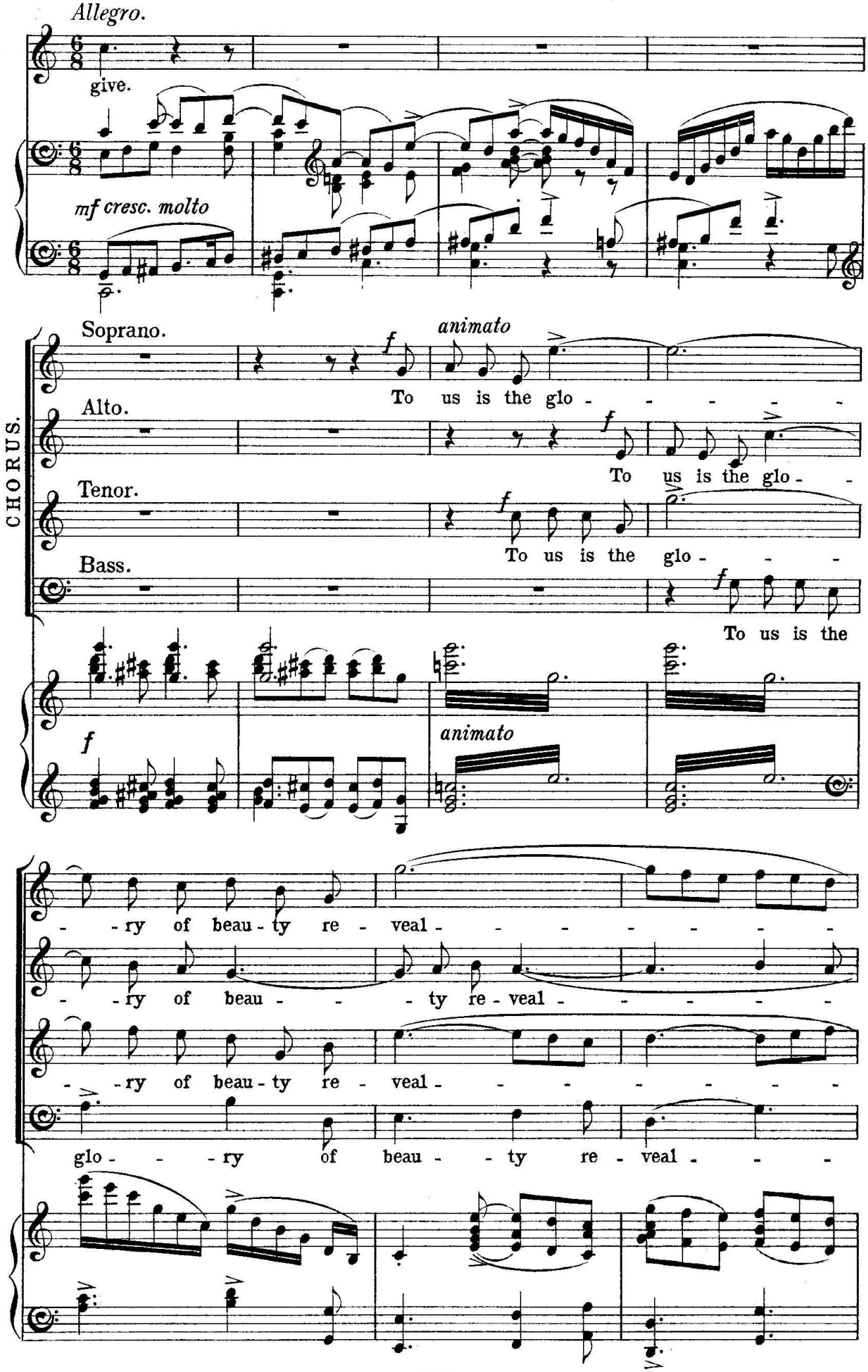

thirsting, shivering, starving, dy-ing,
- er-ing, thirsting, shi - - ver-ing, dy-ing,
thirsting, shivering, starving, dy-ing,
- er-ing, thirsting, shi - - ver-ing, dy-ing,
pp
largamente
Lento.
While the host wandered on.
While the host wandered on.
largamente
While the host wandered on.
While the host wandered on.
Lento.
largamente
p
p
3
3
3
f


THE SPIRIT OF THE VISION.
Soprano Solo.
10
p
Yet
rit.
p
Più mosso.
shines the life-sustaining Sun!
p
largamente
The countless stars in their al -


-lot-ted cours - - es move: Day fol-lows night with
change-less con - stan-cy; The world its cir-cling course ful - fils
And while the a - ges wan-der by The
11
agitato
wel-tering tu-mult winds its help-less way from out the


f rit.
deeps of dark - ness and des - pair
cresc.
rit.
molto rit.
p
a tempo
p
In - to the light of dawn.
The
dolce
pp molto rit.
a tempo
wear - y fa - ces bright - en as they fare,
The words we
know And wel - come as our own,
That tell of


poco animando
ra - diant youth that re-vels in it - self, And looks on life with eyes of
poco animando
12
f
wondering joy; With hands out-stretched To grasp the cup and drain it,
f
animato
mf
cresc.
Tu-multuous, ea-ger, throng - ing on their way, They
f
animato
mf cresc.
cresc.
allargando
take and turn to joy
rit.
All that the wakening world can
allargando
f
sf
rit.


Allegro.
give.
mf cresc. molto
CHORUS.
Soprano.
Alto.
Tenor.
Bass.
animato
To us is the glo - - - - -
To us is the glo - -
To us is the glo - - -
To us is the
animato
- - ry of beau - ty re - veal - - - - - - -
- - ry of beau - - - ty re - veal - - - - -
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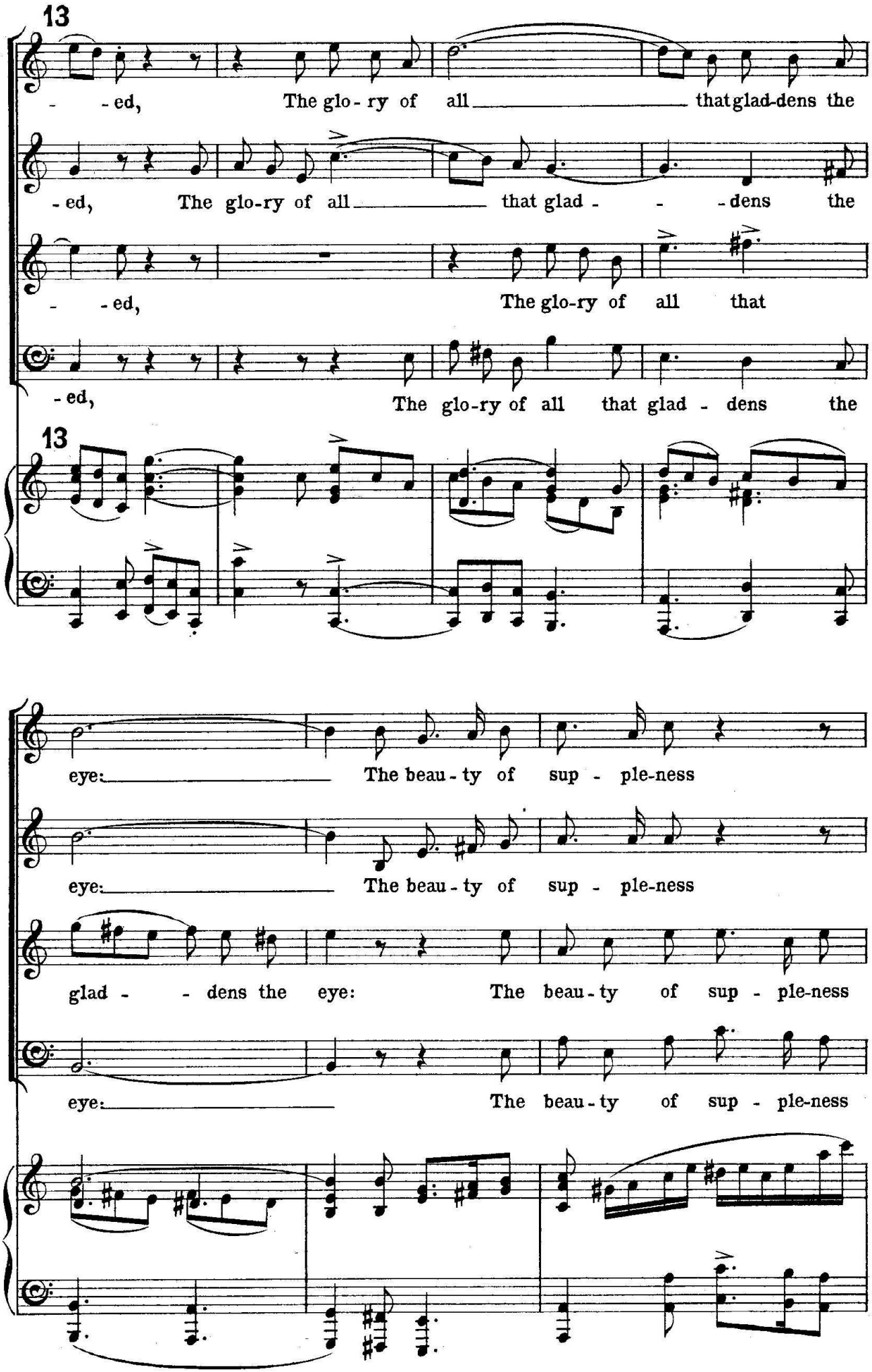
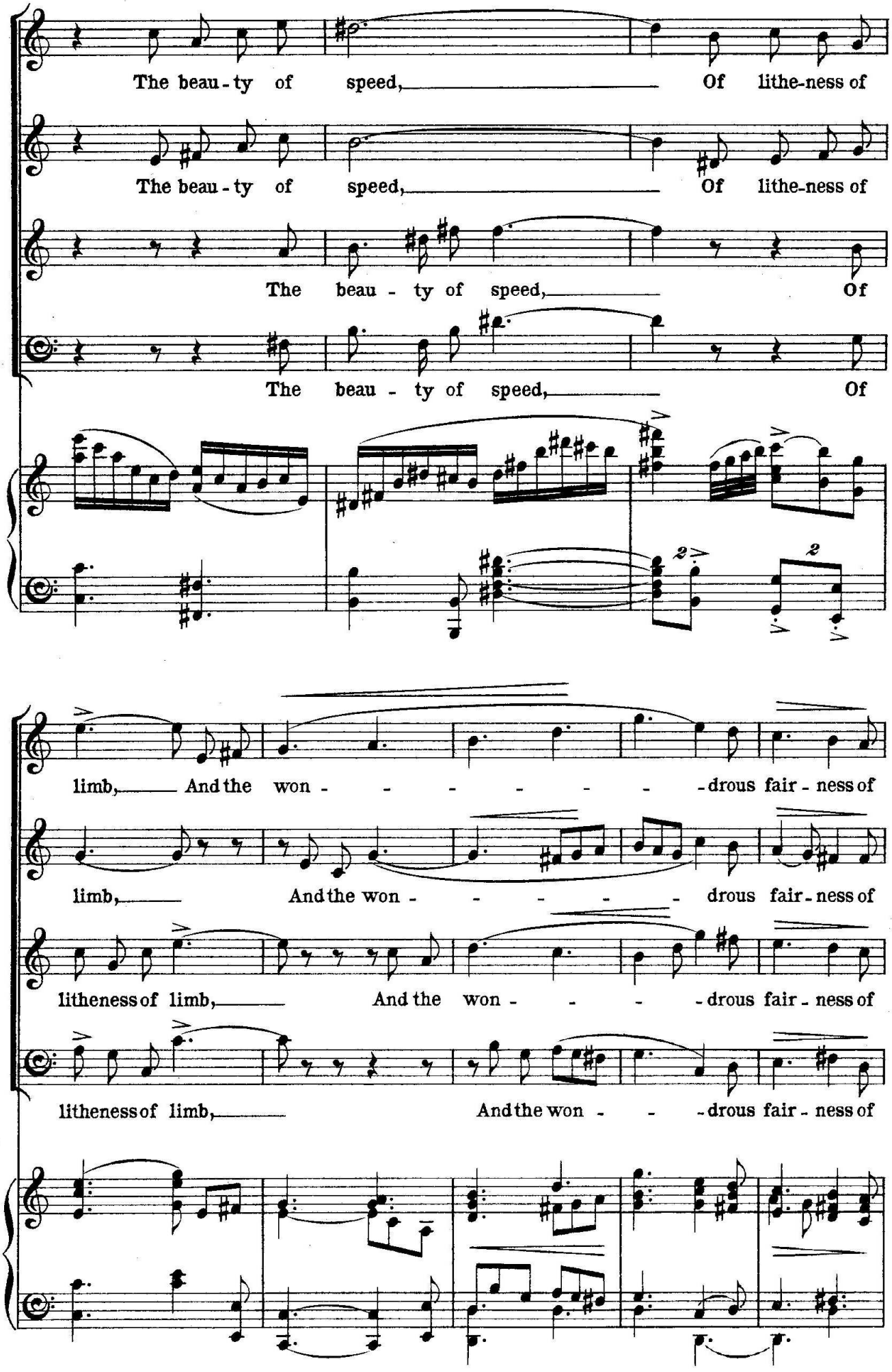
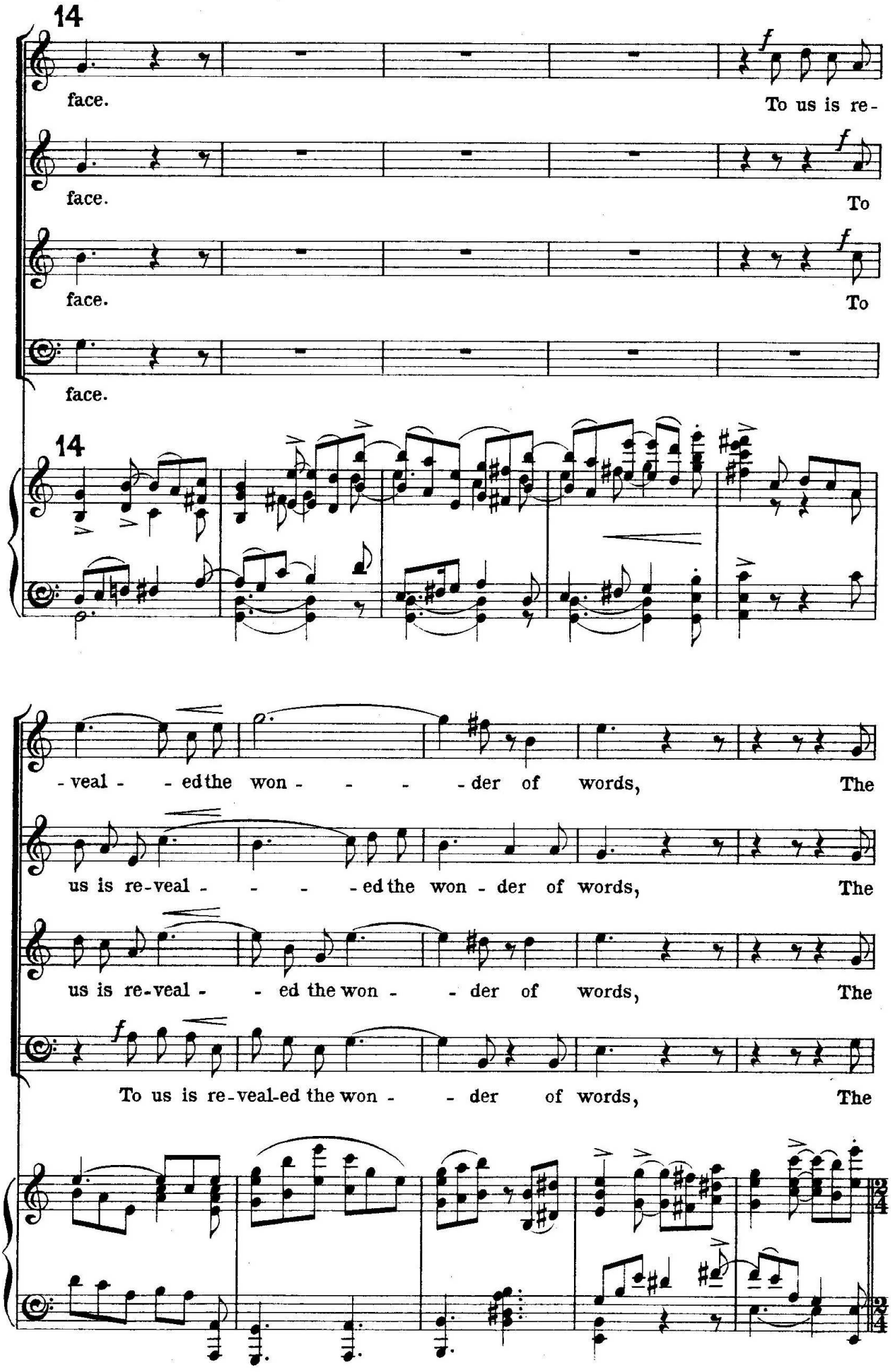
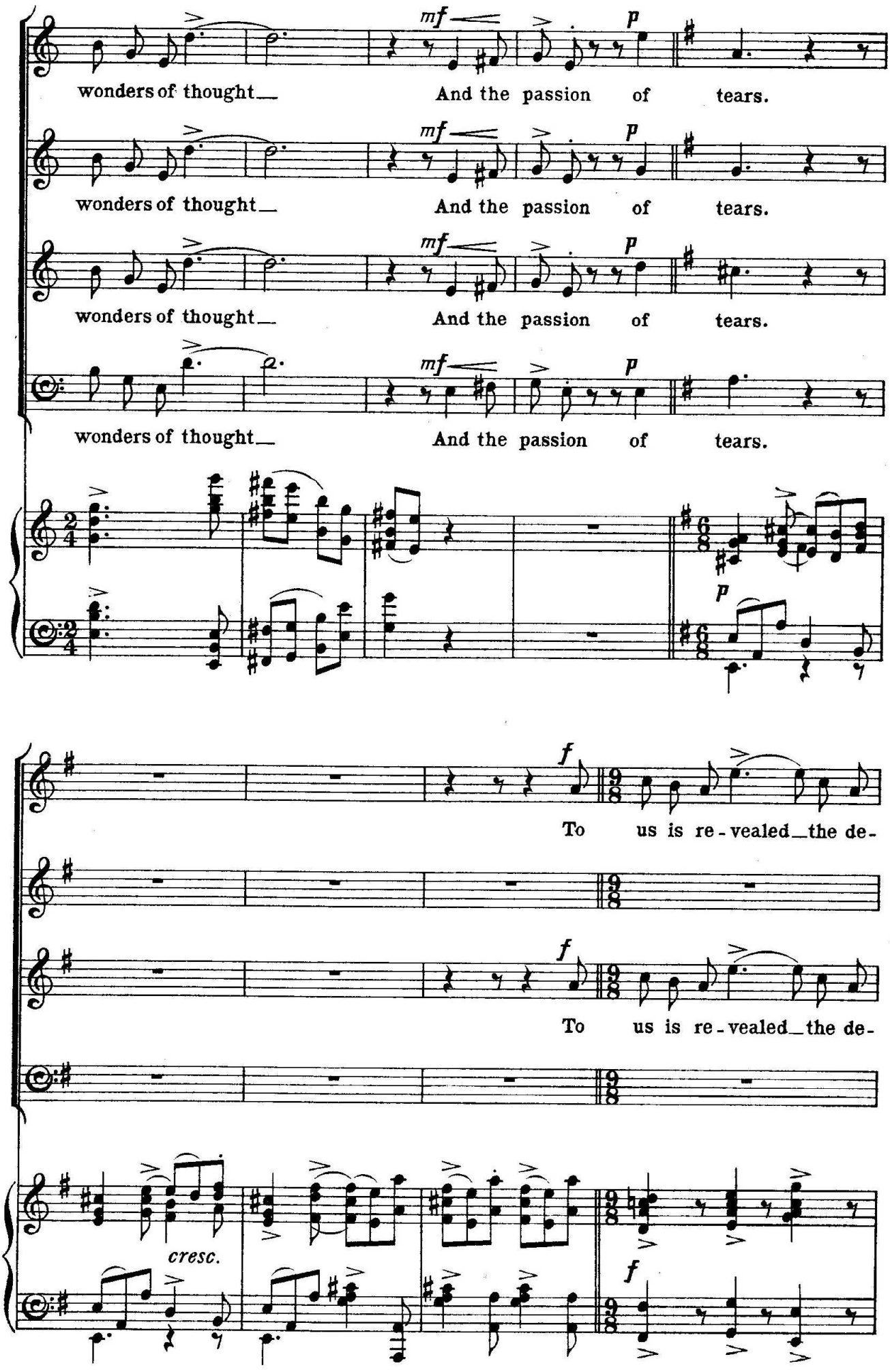
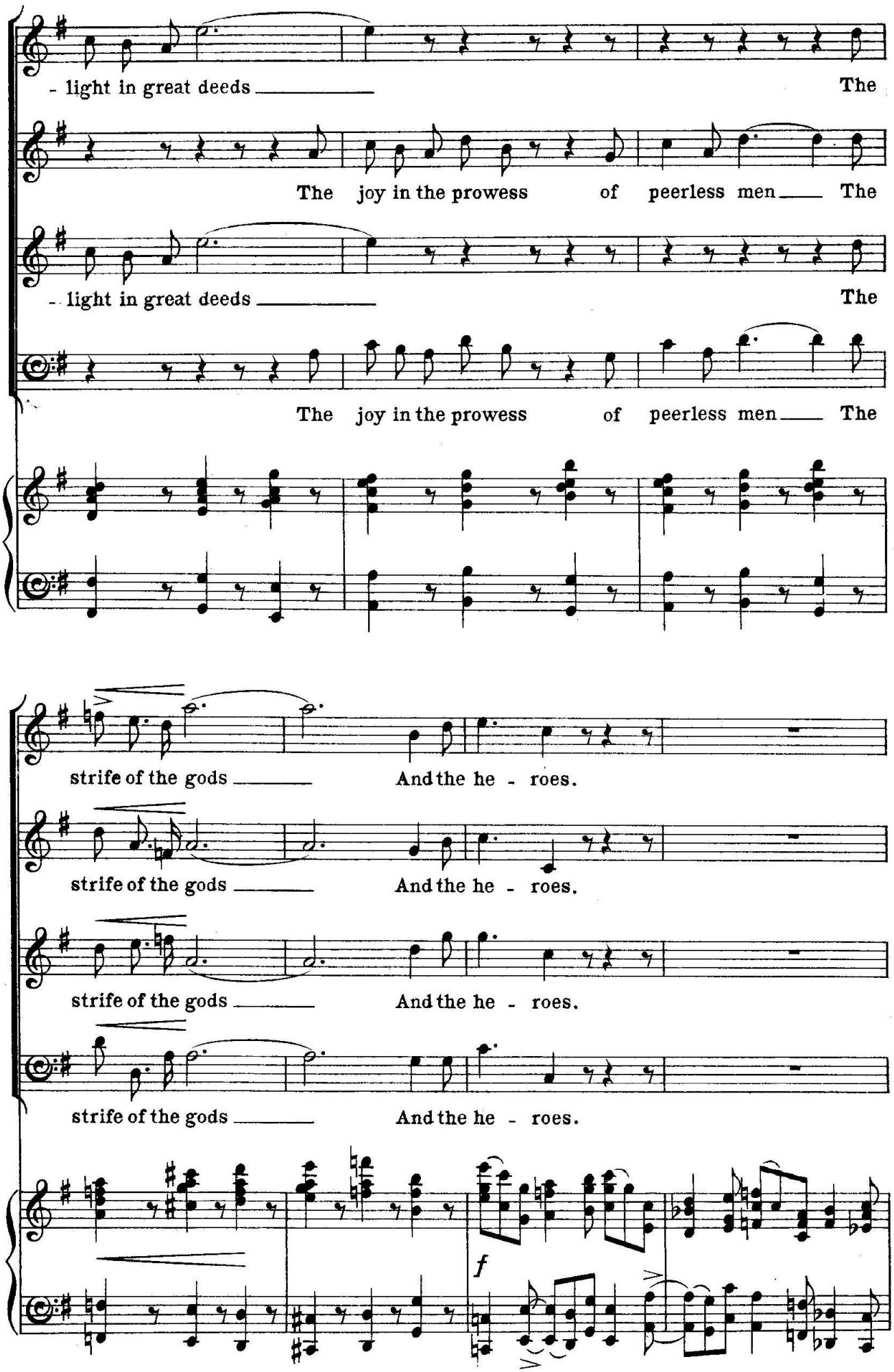
glo - - - ry of beau - - ty re - veal - - -

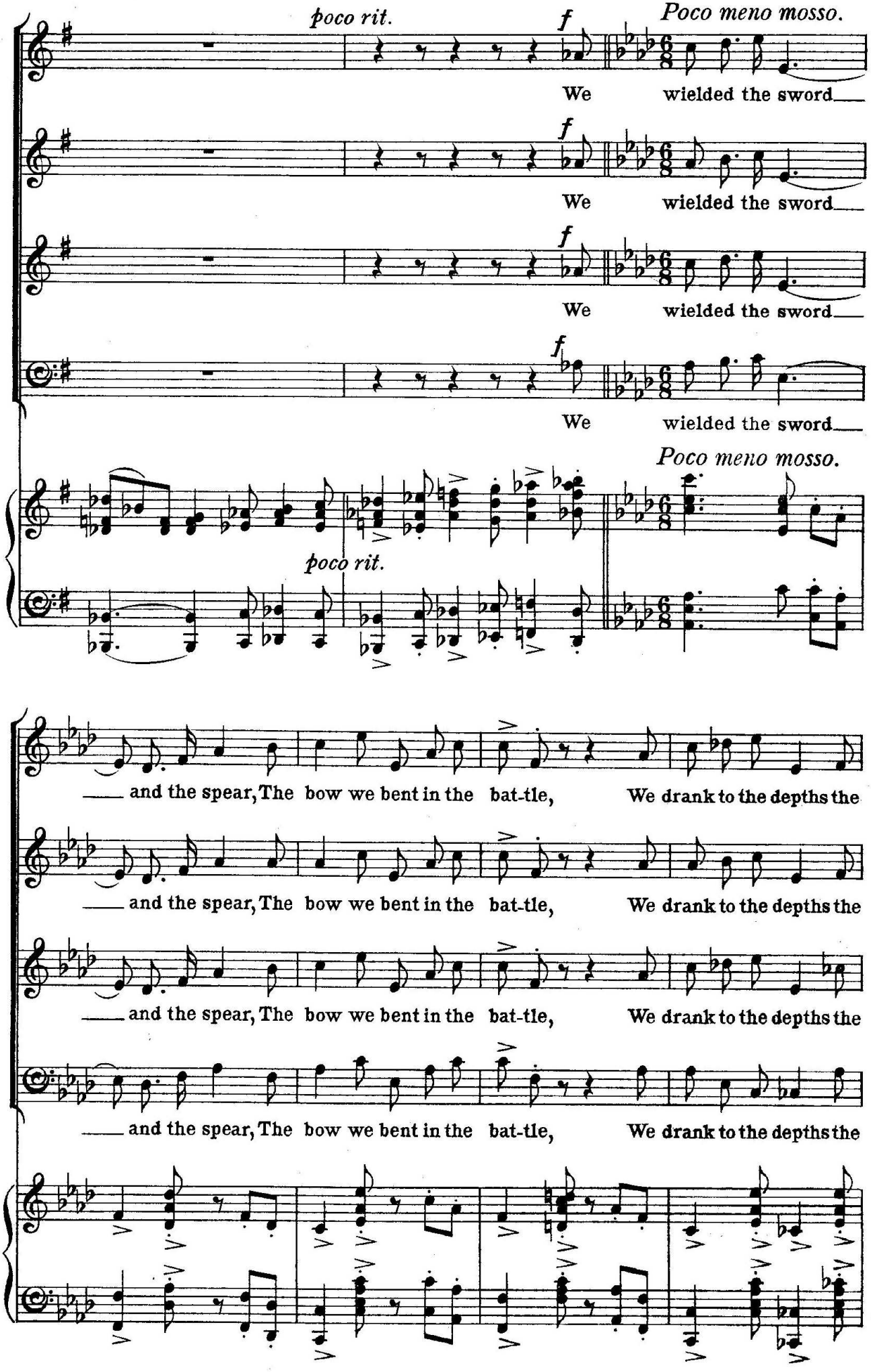

13
- - ed, The glo - ry of all that glad-dens the
- ed, The glo-ry of all that glad - - - dens the
- - ed, The glo-ry of all that
- ed, The glo-ry of all that glad - dens the
13
eye: The beau - ty of sup - ple-ness
eye: The beau - ty of sup - ple-ness
glad - - dens the eye: The beau - ty of sup - ple-ness
eye: The beau - ty of sup - ple-ness


The beau - ty of speed, Of lithe-ness of
The beau - ty of speed, Of lithe-ness of
The beau - ty of speed, Of
The beau - ty of speed, Of
limb, And the won - - - - - - drous fair - ness of
limb, And the won - - - - - drous fair - ness of
litheness of limb, And the won - - - drous fair - ness of
litheness of limb, And the won - - drous fair - ness of


14
face.
To us is re-
face.
To
face.
To
face.
14
-veal - - ed the won - - - - der of words, The
us is re-veal - - - - ed the won - der of words, The
us is re-veal - - ed the won - - der of words, The
To us is re-veal-ed the won - - der of words, The


wonders of thought_ And the passion of tears.
wonders of thought_ And the passion of tears.
wonders of thought_ And the passion of tears.
wonders of thought_ And the passion of tears.
To us is re-vealed_the de-
To us is re-vealed_the de-
cresc.


- light in great deeds
The
The joy in the prowess of peerless men
The
- light in great deeds
The
The joy in the prowess of peerless men
The
strife of the gods
And the he - roes.
strife of the gods
And the he - roes.
strife of the gods
And the he - roes.
strife of the gods
And the he - roes.
f


poco rit.
f
Poco meno mosso.
We wielded the sword
We wielded the sword
We wielded the sword
We wielded the sword
Poco meno mosso.
poco rit.
and the spear, The bow we bent in the bat-tle, We drank to the depths the
and the spear, The bow we bent in the bat-tle, We drank to the depths the
and the spear, The bow we bent in the bat-tle, We drank to the depths the
and the spear, The bow we bent in the bat-tle, We drank to the depths the

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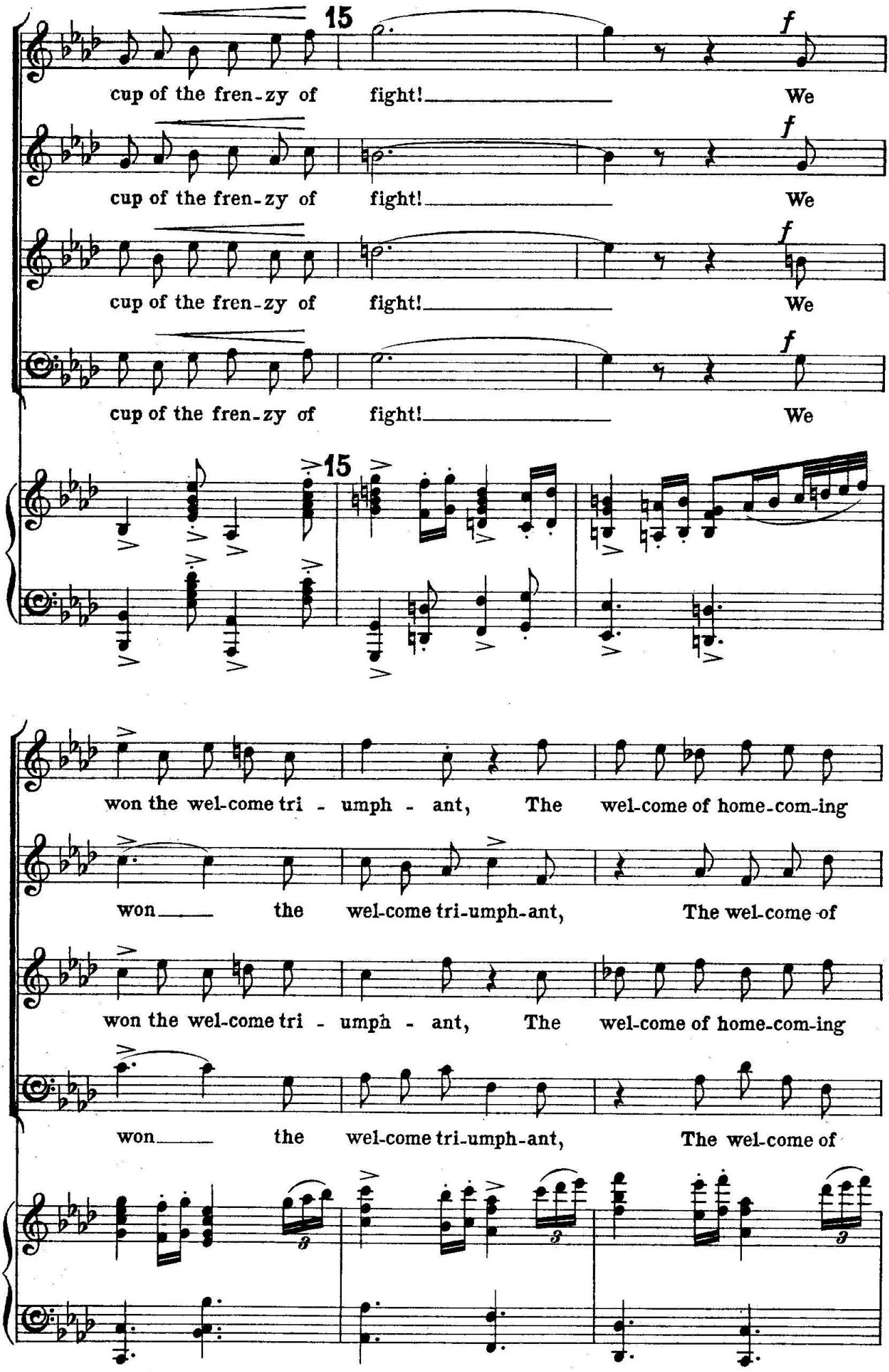
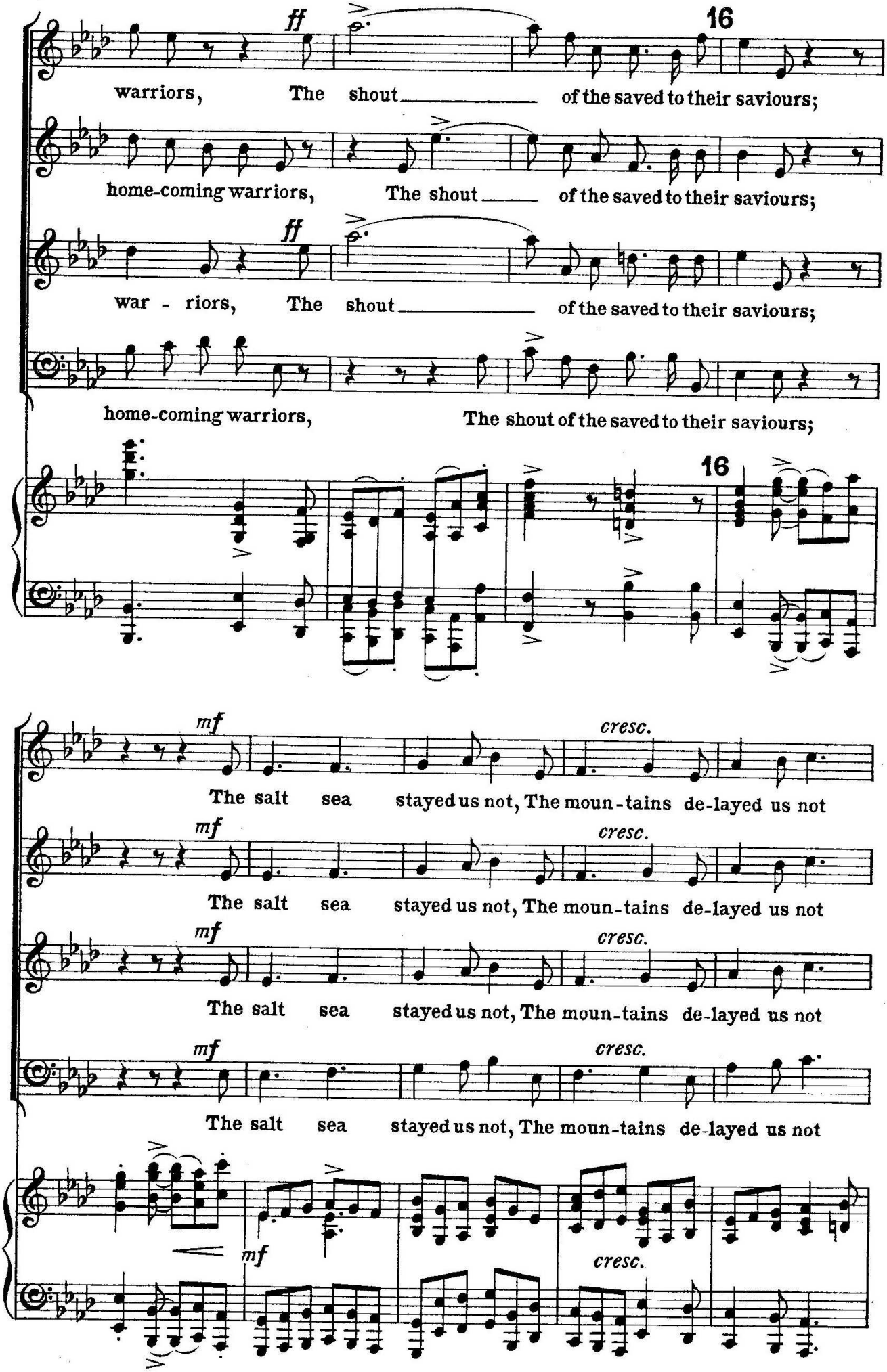

15
f
cup of the fren-zy of fight! We
cup of the fren-zy of fight! We
cup of the fren-zy of fight! We
cup of the fren-zy of fight! We
15
won the wel-come tri - umph - ant, The wel-come of home-com-ing
won the wel-come tri-umph-ant, The wel-come of
won the wel-come tri - umph - ant, The wel-come of home-com-ing
won the wel-come tri-umph-ant, The wel-come of


ff
16
warriors, The shout of the saved to their saviours;
home-coming warriors, The shout of the saved to their saviours;
ff
war - riors, The shout of the saved to their saviours;
home-coming warriors, The shout of the saved to their saviours;
16
mf
cresc.
The salt sea stayed us not, The moun-tains de-layed us not
mf
cresc.
The salt sea stayed us not, The moun-tains de-layed us not
mf
cresc.
The salt sea stayed us not, The moun-tains de-layed us not
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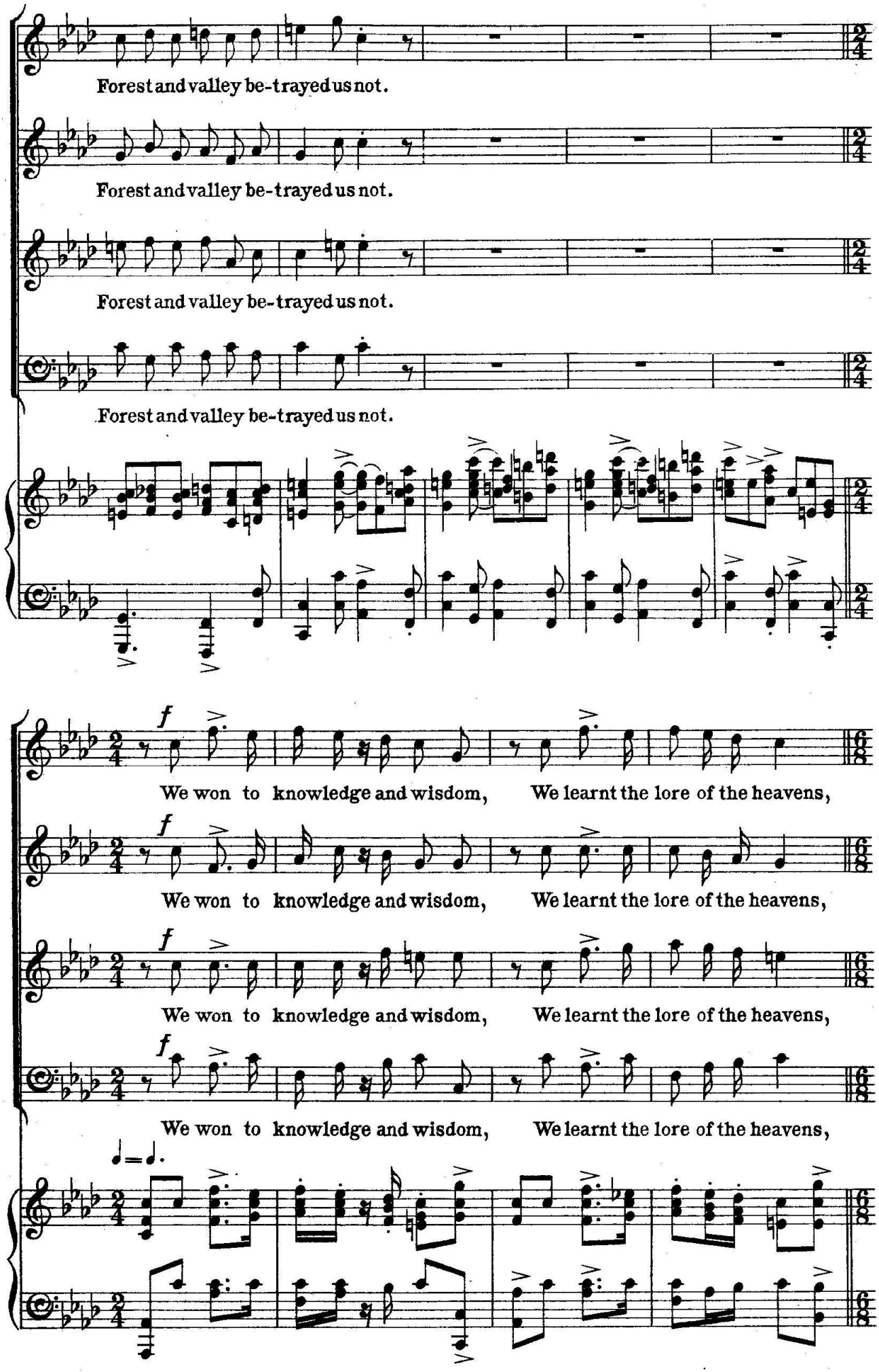
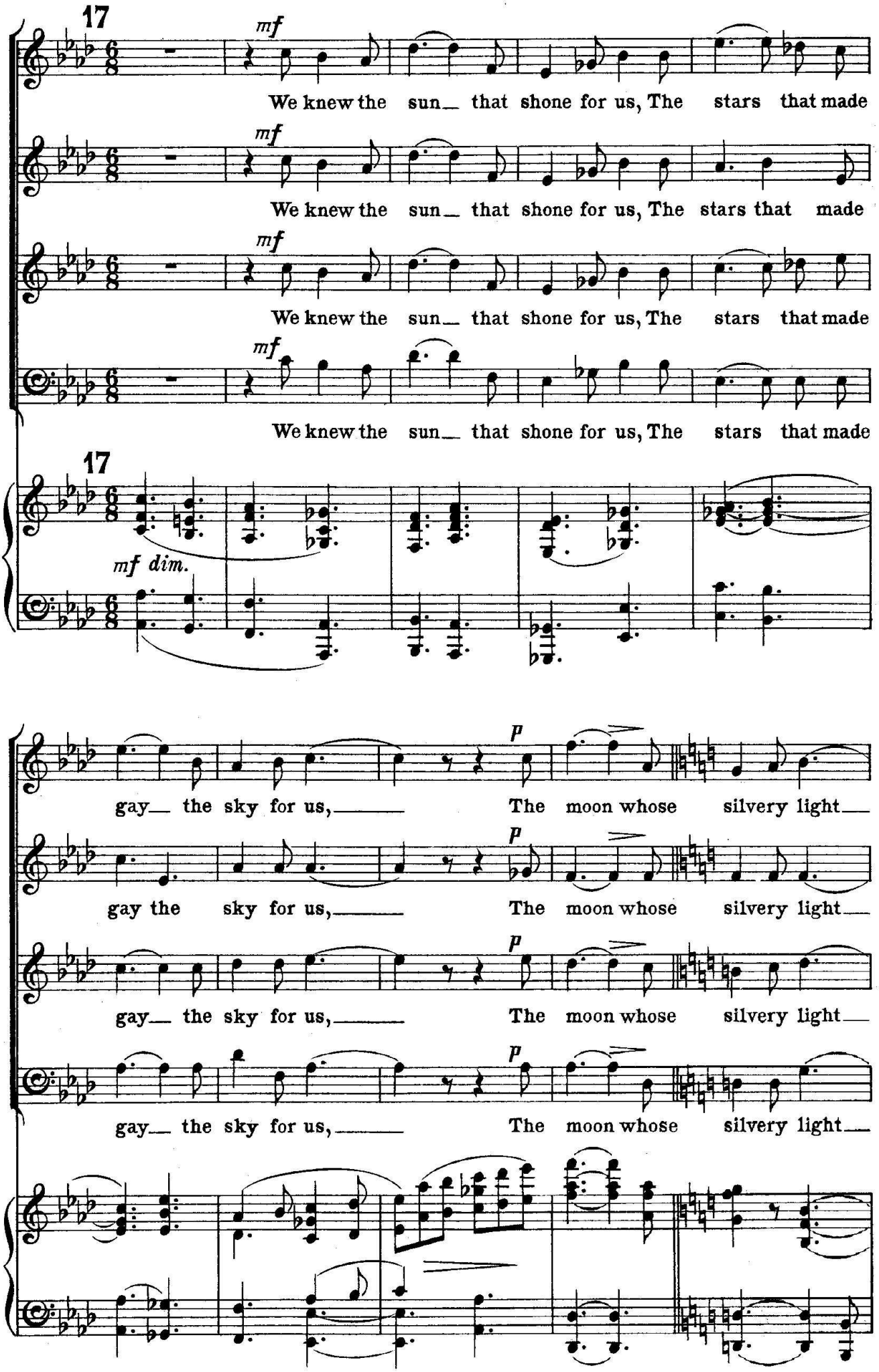

Forest and valley be-trayed us not.
Forest and valley be-trayed us not.
Forest and valley be-trayed us not.
Forest and valley be-trayed us not.
f
We won to knowledge and wisdom, We learnt the lore of the heavens,
We won to knowledge and wisdom, We learnt the lore of the heavens,
We won to knowledge and wisdom, We learnt the lore of the heavens,
We won to knowledge and wisdom, We learnt the lore of the heavens,


17
mf
We knew the sun_ that shone for us, The stars that made
mf
We knew the sun_ that shone for us, The stars that made
mf
We knew the sun_ that shone for us, The stars that made
mf
We knew the sun_ that shone for us, The stars that made
17
mf dim.
p
gay_ the sky for us,_____ The moon whose silvery light_
p
gay the sky for us,_____ The moon whose silvery light_
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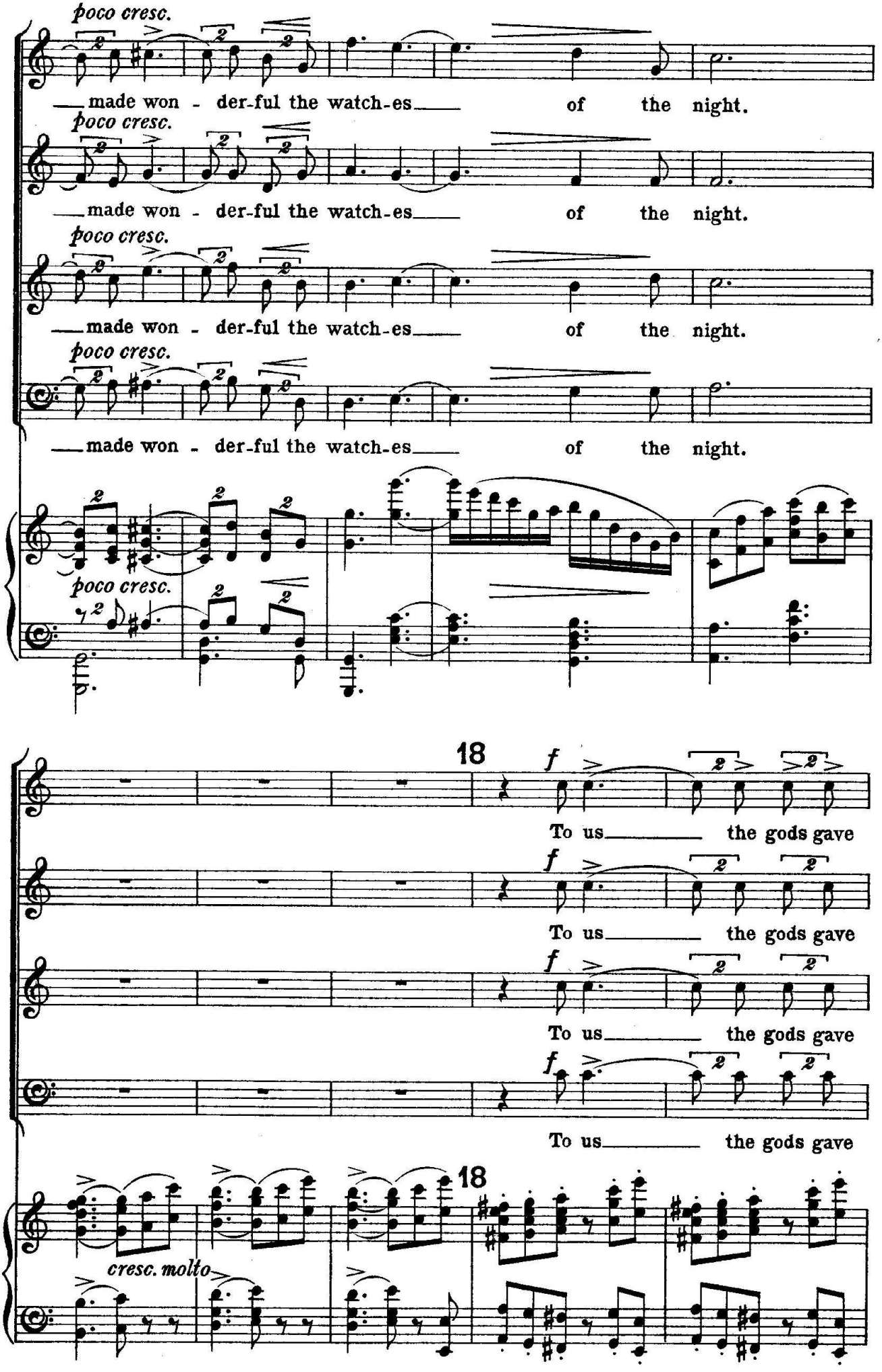
gay_ the sky for us,_____ The moon whose silvery light_
p
gay_ the sky for us,_____ The moon whose silvery light_


poco cresc.
made won - der-ful the watch-es of the night.
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poco cresc.
made won - der-ful the watch-es of the night.
poco cresc.
18
f
To us the gods gave
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To us the gods gave
f
To us the gods gave
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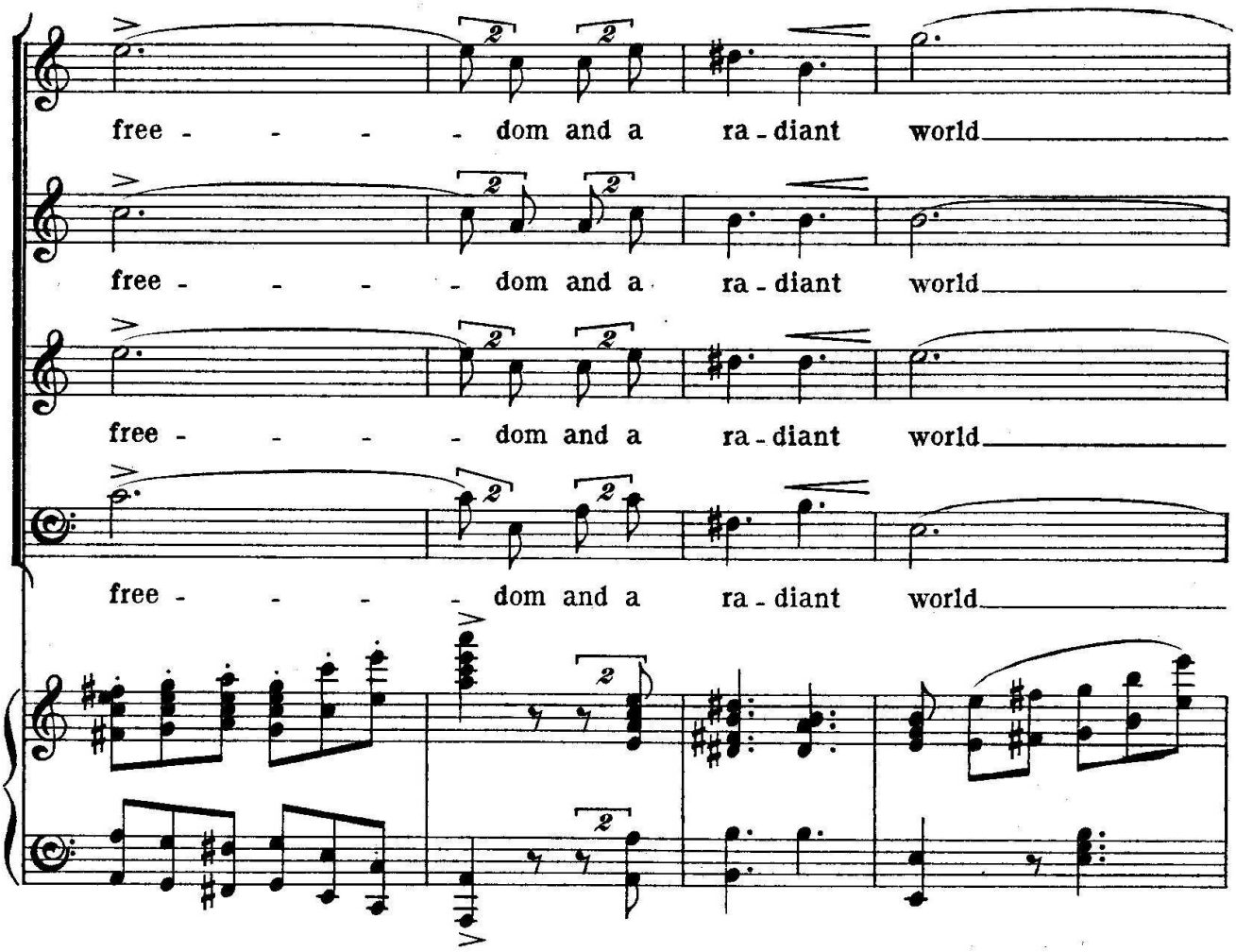
To us the gods gave
18
cresc. molto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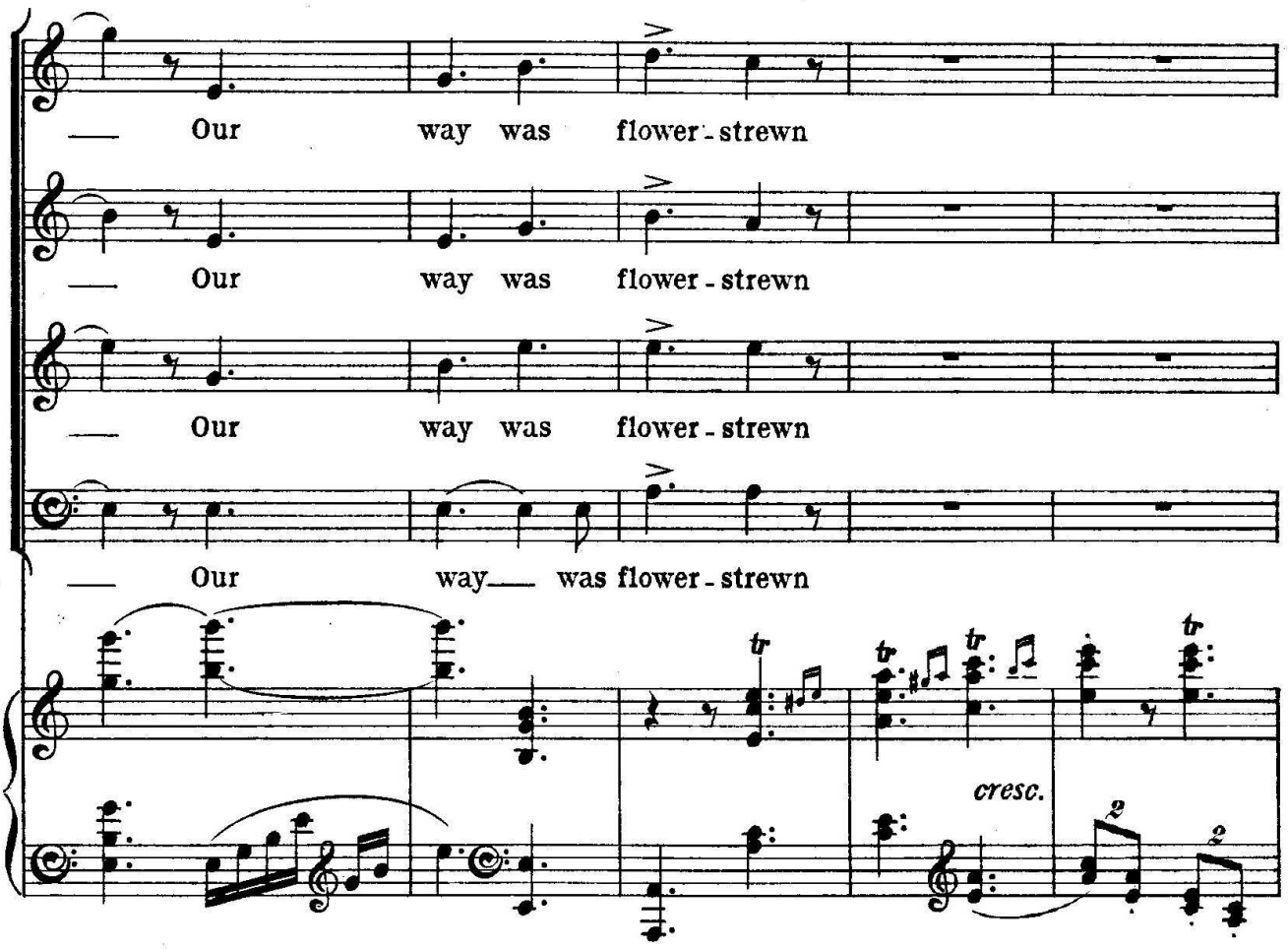
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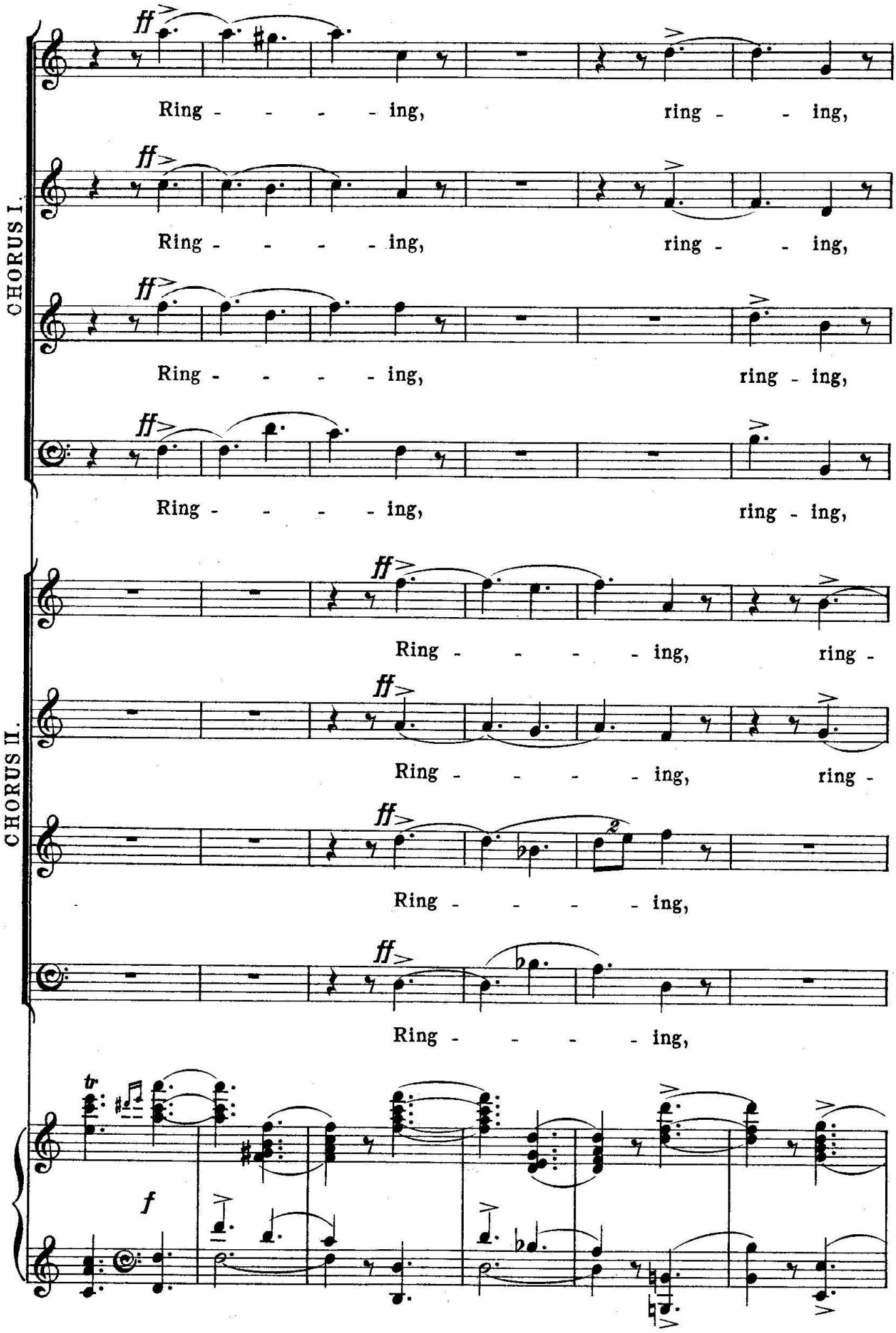
CHORUS I.
CHORUS II.
ff
Ring - - - - ing, ring - - ing,
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Ring - - - - ing, ring -
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Ring - - - - ing,
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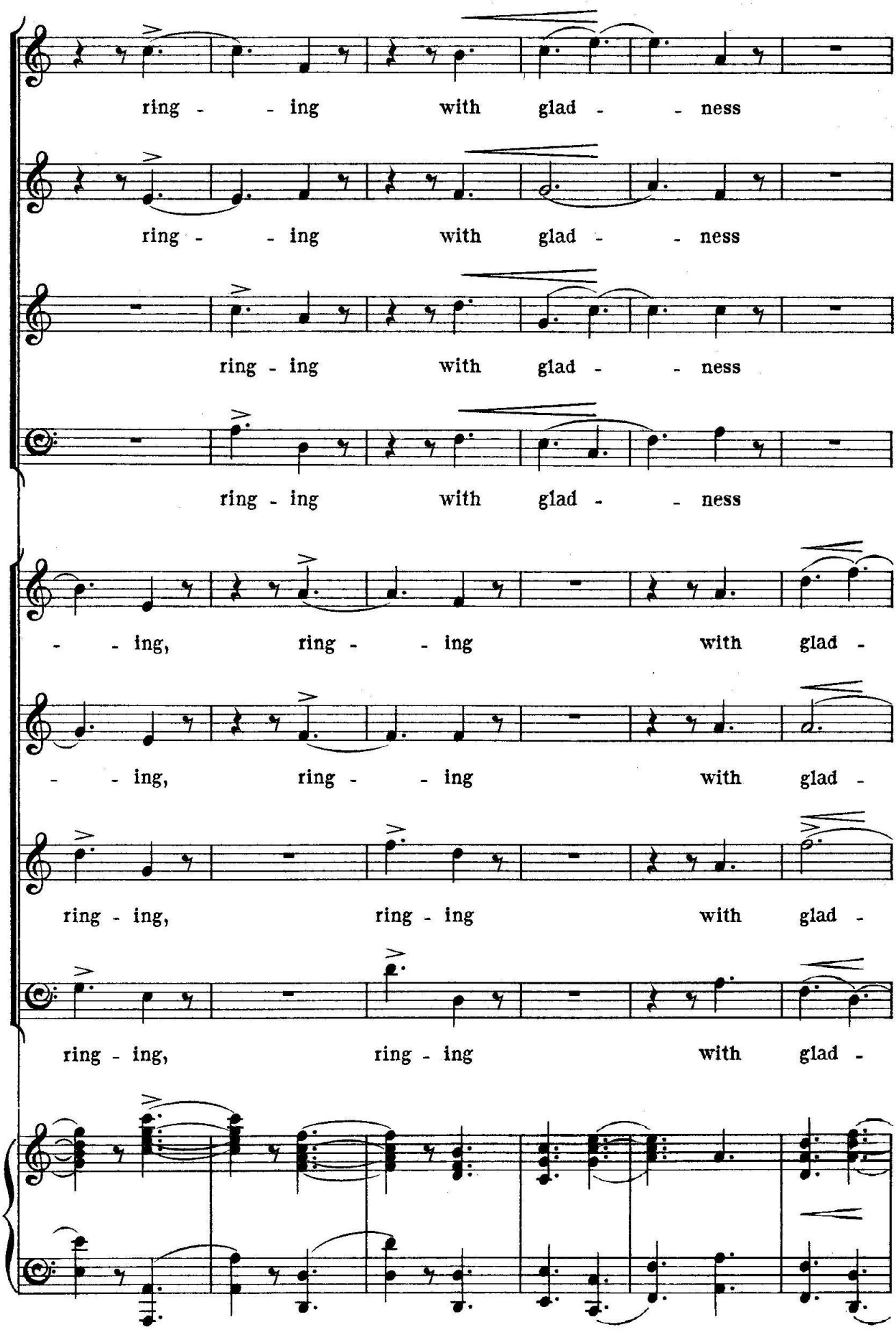
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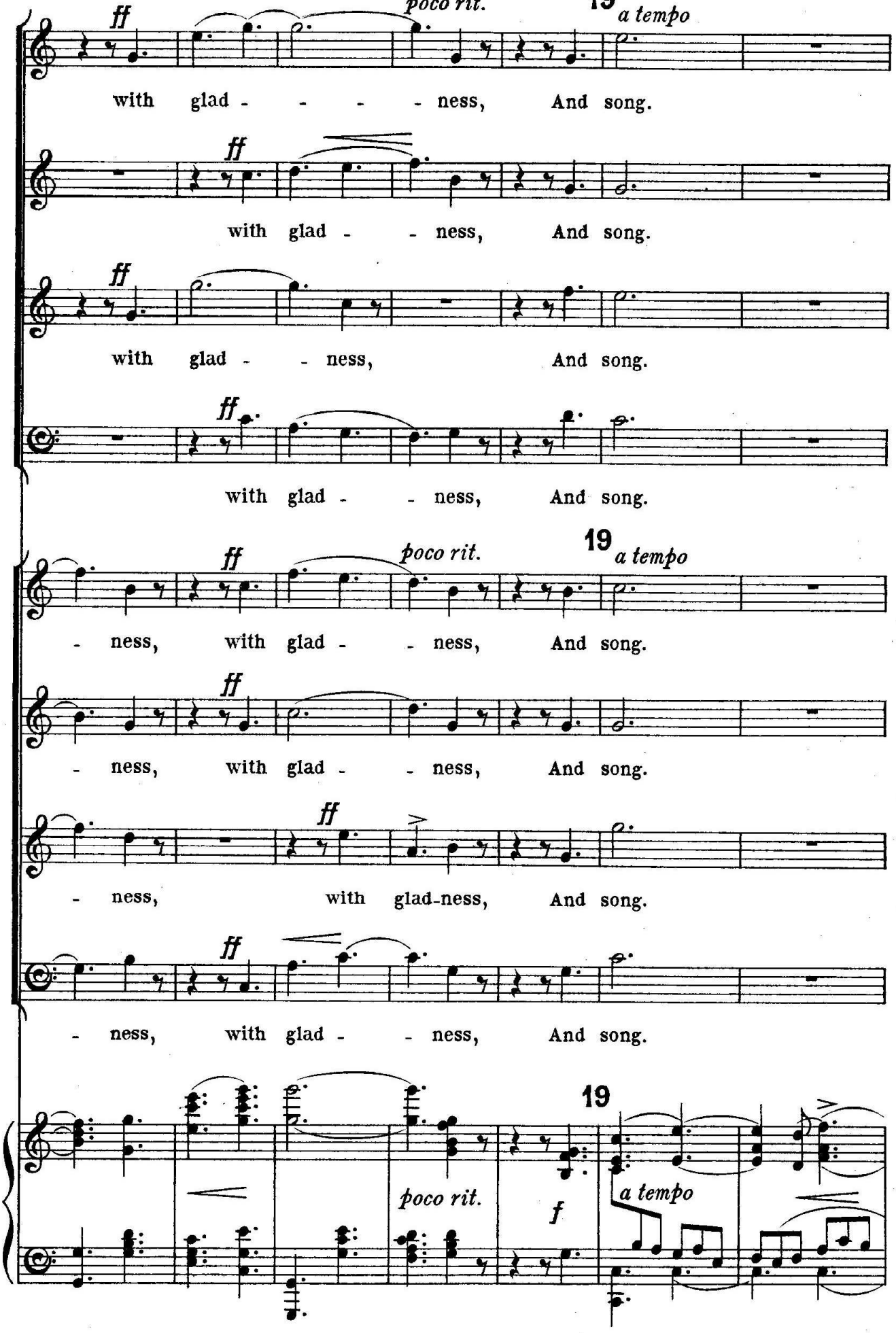
ff
poco rit.
19
a tempo
with glad - - - - ness, And song.
ff
with glad - - ness, And song.
ff
with glad - - ness, And song.
ff
with glad - - ness, And song.
ff
poco rit.
19
a tempo
- ness, with glad - - ness, And song.
ff
- ness, with glad - - ness, And song.
ff
- ness, with glad-ness, And song.
ff
- ness, with glad - - ness, And song.
19
poco rit.
f
a tempo