

# 1. "For Ever and For Ever!" (1879)

Composed for Mrs L. Moncrieff  
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*ASSAI MODERATO*



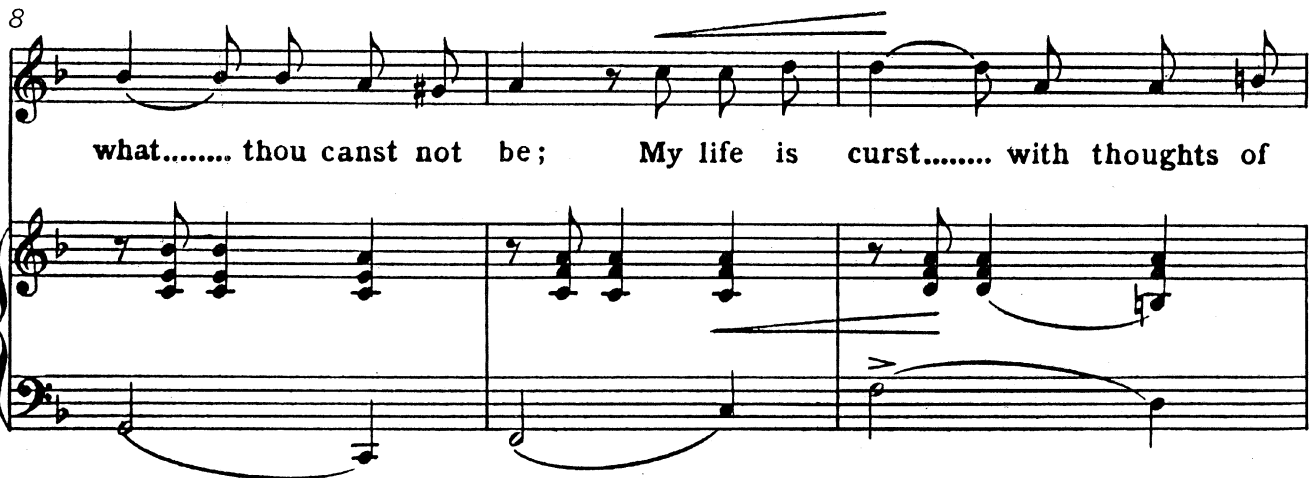
4 *VOICE* *pp e assai legato*

I THINK of all..... thou art to me,..... I dream of



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what..... thou canst not be; My life is curst..... with thoughts of



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*p* *Più animato*  
*p*

thee..... For e - ver and for e - - ver! My heart is full..... of grief and

*Più animato*  
*p* *p*

15

*1.º tempo*  
*pp*

woe,..... I see thy face where'er I go;..... I would, a - las!..... it were not

*1.º tempo*  
*pp* *pp*

19

*p rit.*

so..... For e - ver and for e - - ver!

*col canto* *p*

23

*p*

Perchance if we..... had ne-ver

27

met,..... I had been spared..... this mad re-gret, This en-dless

30

stri - ving to for - get,..... For e-ver and for e - - ver! Perchance if

34 *Più Animato* *cres:.....* *I.º tempo*

thou..... wert far a - way,..... Did I not see..... thee day by day,..... I might a -

*Più Animato* *I.º tempo*

38 *p* *rit.*

- gain..... be blithe and gay,..... For e - ver and for e - - ver! Ah,

*p* *col canto*

42 *affrett.*

no!..... I could not bear the pain Of never seeing thee a - gain! I

*affrett.* *col canto*

46 *rit.*, *Lento ppp*

cling..... to thee with might and main, For e-ver and For e-ver! Ah, leave me

*col canto* *Lento*

50 *cres:.....*

not !.... I love but thee!.... Bles-sing or curse,.... which e'er thou be, Oh! be as

*ppp leggerissimo* *cres:.....*

54 *f* *ff e rit.* *ten.*

thou..... hast been to me, For e-ver and for e-ver!

*f* *ff* *col canto* *col canto*