

# 5. "Let It Be Soon" (1882)

To Mrs Minnie Thorneburg-Cropper

♩ = 104  
MODERATO

*p*

6  
VOICE

*p*

Let it be

*pp*

11

soon! Life was not made..... to long for 'di stant hours of

16

*cres:.....*

dim..... fu-tu-ri-ty: Thy pre-sence soothes me

20

like..... some far-off song. Thy pre-sence soothes me

24

*rit.**a tempo*

like.....some far-off song. Oh! where my heart has rested..... let it

*col canto*

*rit.* *a tempo*

29

lie, oh! where my heart has rested..... let it lie,

34 *rit:*..... *pp*

Hope is the morning: love..... the after-noon. Let it be

*col canto* *pp*

39 *rit.*

soon! Let it be soon!

*col canto* *a tempo*

44

50

Let it be soon! The treasured day light dies And changes

55

sad - ly to the chill of night, But Summer reigns..... for

*cres.*

60

e - - ver in thine eyes, And at thy touch Grief

64

*rit.*  
steal - - eth out of sight. Af - ter sad years of longing,

*col canto*

*col canto* *a tempo*

68

Love must swoon. Af - ter sad years of longing, Love must

73

SWOON..... *rit:*..... Let it be  
*col canto*

*pp*

79

soon! Let it be soon! Love cannot live like this.....

*pp* *A tempo*

*col canto*

84

..... Lost in a maze of wild expect - an - cy: Life can en -

*pp*

89

-dure if solac — ed by a kiss, But Faith, if un - reward ed,

*cres. sempre*

*cres. molto*

94 *ritenuto* *con anima*

it must die..... Thou art cold Winter: I..... am suu in

*col canto*

99 *pp*

June. Let it be soon! Let it be soon!

*pp*

104 *pp*

Let it be soon!

*pp col canto* *ppp legatissimo*

di - - -

- mi - - - nu - - - en - - - do - - -

109

*ppp*