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The Sailor-Boy.

THE SAILOR-BOY.

He rose at dawn, and, fired with hope,
Shot o'er the seething harbor-bar,
And reach'd the ship and caught the rope,
And whistled to the morning-star.

And while he whistled long and loud
He heard a fierce mermaid cry,
"O boy, though thou art young and proud,
I see the place where thou wilt lie.

"The sands and yeasty surges mix
In caves about the dreary bay,
And on thy ribs the limpet sticks,
And in thy heart the scrawl shall play."

"Fool," he answer'd, "death is sure
To those that stay and those that roam;
But I will nevermore endure
To sit with empty hands at home.

"My mother clings about my neck,
My sisters crying, 'Stay, for shame!'
My father raves of death and wreck:
They are all to blame, they are all to blame.

"God help me! save I take my part
Of danger on the roaring sea,
A devil rises in my heart,
Far worse than any death to me."

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W. G. CUSINS.

Adagio.

VOICE.

PIANO.

f

He

rose at dawn and, fired with hope, Shot o'er the seeth-ing har-bour-bar, And reach'd the ship and

mf

caught the rope, And whistled to the morn-ing star. And

L.H.

Ped.

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The first system of music features a vocal line in the upper staff and a piano accompaniment in the lower two staves. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats). The vocal line begins with a melodic phrase. The piano accompaniment consists of chords and single notes. A dynamic marking of *f* (forte) is present in the piano part.

young and proud, I see the place where thou wilt lie.

rit. *poco più mosso.*

dim. rit. *p* *poco più mosso.*

The second system continues the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The tempo markings *rit.* (ritardando) and *poco più mosso.* (a little more motion) are placed above the vocal line. The piano accompaniment includes a section marked *dim. rit.* (diminuendo ritardando) and another section marked *p* (piano) with *poco più mosso.* The piano part features some arpeggiated figures.

The sands and yeast - y sur - ges mix In caves a - bout the

The third system shows the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The piano accompaniment is more active, featuring several arpeggiated figures with fingerings and accents (marked with 'x') indicated. The key signature remains B-flat major.

drea - ry bay, And on thy ribs the lim - pet sticks, And in thy heart the

The fourth system concludes the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The piano accompaniment continues with arpeggiated figures and fingerings. The key signature remains B-flat major.

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meno mosso.

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sf *colla voce.* *sf*

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Adagio. *p molto espressivo.*

My mo - ther clings a - bout my neck, My

Adagio. *pp*

Ped.

cres. *f* *Agitato.*

sis - - ters cry - - ing, 'Stay for shame;' My fa - ther raves of death and wreck,

Agitato. *f*

cres. *f*

THE SAILOR-BOY.

Allegro molto. *ff*

They are all to blame, they are all to blame.

Allegro molto.

ff

Adagio. *ff quasi recitando.*

God help me! save I take my part Of

Adagio.

sf sf ff colla voce.

dan - ger on the roar - ing sea, A dev - il ris - es in my heart, Far

rit. molto.

worse than an - y death to me."

colla voce. *f*