

A birthday

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f Allegretto ♩ = 110 ♩ = ♩ sempre

My heart is like a sing - ing bird, a sing - ing, sing - ing bird Whose

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poco dimin.

nest is in a wa-tered shoot: _____ *mf legg.* an

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nest is in a... My heart is like an ap - ple - tree, an

ap - ple - tree, an ap - ple - tree — *mf* My

ap - ple - tree, ap - ple - tree, an ap - ple - tree *p subito* Whose boughs are bent with thick-set fruit;

ap - ple - tree, an ap - ple - tree —

ap - ple - tree, an ap - ple - tree —

poco più legato heart is like a rain — bow shell That pad - dles in a hal - cyon sea; *più* My

mf a rain — bow shell That pad - dles in a hal - cyon sea; My

mf My heart, a rain — bow shell That pad - dles in a hal - cyon sea; My

mf a rain — bow shell That pad - dles in a hal - cyon sea; My

cantabile heart — is glad - der than all these — Be - cause my love is *leggièro* *cresc.*

heart — is glad - der than all these — Be - cause my love is

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f *p subito e poco a poco cresc.*

come, is come to me. — Hang it with vair and pur-ple dyes;

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come, is come to... Raise me a dais of silk and down; Hang it with vair and pur-ple dyes;

molto *f* *mf*

Carve it in doves and po-me-gra-nates, — And pea-cocks with a

Carve it and carve it and po-me-gra-nates, — And pea-cocks with a

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f *mf* *poco dimin.*

hun-dred eyes, a hun-dred, hun-dred eyes; Work it in gold and

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sil-ver grapes, _____ in sil-ver, in
 sil-ver grapes, _____ and fleurs-de-lys; in sil-ver, sil-ver grapes, in
 sil-ver grapes, _____ and fleurs-de-lys; in sil-ver, in
 In leaves and sil-ver fleurs-de-lys; in sil-ver, in

gold and sil-ver the birth-day of my life, the day is
 gold and sil-ver, Be - cause the day, the birth-day of my life, the day is
 gold and sil-ver the birth-day of my life, the day is
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f come, *mf* my love is come to me, *poco a poco dimin.* me.
 come, my love is come to me, my love is come to me.
f come, *mf* my love is come to me, *poco a poco dimin.* me.
f come, *mf* my love is come to me, my love is come to me.

(*) :  at pleasure