



Six Pastoral Part-songs

No. 5

Behold!
the Moon

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(1834-1923)

Edward Bunnett (1834-1923) was born at Shipdham, Norfolk, England. He trained as a chorister at Norwich Cathedral and became assistant to Zechariah Buck at the Cathedral. He graduated from Cambridge. He was organist of St. Peter's, Mancroft, then appointed Borough Organist, serving for many years. He was conductor of the Norwich Musical Union and organist of the Norwich Musical Festivals. He was active as recitalist and lecturer. His compositions include a *De Profundis*, services, anthems, cantatas, a comedietta, Piano pieces, organ pieces, and part-songs. He celebrated his musical jubilee, April 18, 1890, when he was presented by the Mayor with "an address and handsome testimonial from his fellow citizens."

Behold! the moon now gently rises,
Filling with splendour the realms on high;
She with the dark earth sympathises,
Yields it her glory from out the sky!

Where was but gloom her beams are glowing,
Welcome, O welcome, this gift of light;
Let it be with us till morn is showing,
Gracious and beautiful orb of night!

*Shine on, O shine on,
Thy fair lustre bestowing,
Gracious and beautiful orb of the night!*

Upon the sea where ships are sailing,
Over the mountains and vales between,
Darkness no longer lies prevailing,
Potent the sway of her silvery sheen!

Lit are the streams to the ocean flowing,
Set are the wanderer's feet aright,
Manifold blessings to thee are owing,
Gracious and beautiful orb of night!

Edward Oxenford

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Andante con moto ♩ = 132

S
Be - hold! the moon now gen - tly ris - es, Fill - ing with

A
Be - hold! the moon now gen - tly ris - es, Fill - ing with

T
Be - hold! the moon now gen - tly ris - es, Fill - ing with

B
Now gen - tly ris - es, Fill - ing with

Andante con moto ♩ = 132

Piano

Accompaniment used, whenever it is obbligato.

Behold! the Moon

6

S
splen - dour the realms on high; She with the dark earth sym - pa -

A
splen - dour the realms on high; She with the dark earth sym - pa -

T
splen - dour the realms on high; She with the dark earth sym - pa -

B
splen - dour the realms on high; She with the dark earth sym - pa -

Pno.

12

S
this - es, Yields it her glo - ry from out the sky! Where was but

A
this - es, Yields it her glo - ry from out the sky! Where was but

T
this - es, Yields it her glo - ry from out the sky! Where was but

B
this - es, Yields it her glo - ry from out the sky! Where was but

Pno.

Behold! the Moon

18

S
gloom_ her beams_ are glow - ing, Wel - come, O wel - come, this gift of

A
gloom her beams are glow - ing, Wel - come, O wel - come, this gift of

T
gloom_ her beams_ are glow - ing, Wel - come, O wel - come, this gift of

B
gloom her beams_ are glow - ing, Wel - come, O wel - come, this gift ___ of

Pno.

24

S
light; Let it be with us till morn__ is show - ing, Gra - cious and

A
light; Let it be with us till morn__ is show - ing, Gra - cious and

T
light; Let it be with us till morn is show - ing, Gra - cious and

B
light; Let it be with us till morn__ is show - ing, Gra - cious and

Pno.

Behold! the Moon

30

S beau - ti - ful orb of night! Shine on, O shine

A beau - ti - ful orb of night! Shine on, O shine

T beau - ti - ful orb of night! Shine on, O shine

B beau - ti - ful orb of night! Shine on, O shine

Pno.

36

S on, Thy fair lus - tre be - stow - ing, Gra - cious and

A on, Thy fair lus - tre be - stow - ing, Gra - cious and

T on, Thy fair lus - tre be - stow - ing, Gra - cious and

B on, Thy fair lus - tre be - stow - ing, Gra - cious and

Pno.

Behold! the Moon

42

S beau - ti - ful orb of the night! Gra - cious and beau - ti - ful orb of the night! *rall.*

A beau - ti - ful orb of the night! Gra - cious and beau - ti - ful orb of the night! *rall.*

T beau - ti - ful orb of the night! Gra - cious and beau - ti - ful orb of the night! *rall.*

B beau - ti - ful orb of the night! Gra - cious and beau - ti - ful orb of the night! *rall.*

Pno. *p* *rall.*

S *mf* Up - on the sea where ships are sail - ing, *f* O - ver the

A *mf* Up - on the sea where ships are sail - ing, *f* O - ver the

T *mf* Up - on the sea where ships are sail - ing, *f* O - ver the

B *mf* Where ships are sail - ing, *f* O - ver the

Pno. *mf* *f*

Behold! the Moon

54

S
moun - tains and vales be - tween, Dark - ness no long - er lies pre -

A
moun - tains and vales be - tween, Dark - ness no long - er lies pre -

T
moun - tains and vales be - tween, Dark - ness no long - er lies pre -

B
moun - tains and vales be - tween, Dark - ness no long - er lies pre -

Pno.
p *f*

60

S
vail - ing, Po - tent the sway of her sil - v'ry sheen! Lit are the

A
vail - ing, Po - tent the sway of her sil - v'ry sheen! Lit are the

T
vail - ing, Po - tent the sway of her sil - v'ry sheen! Lit are the

B
vail - ing, Po - tent the sway of her sil - v'ry sheen! Lit are the

Pno.
p

Behold! the Moon

66

S
streams to the o - cean flow - ing, Set are the wan - der - er's feet a -

A
streams to the o - cean flow - ing, Set are the wan - der - er's feet a -

T
streams to the o - cean flow - ing, Set are the wan - der - er's feet a -

B
streams to the o - cean flow - ing, Set are the wan - der - er's feet ___ a -

Pno.

72

S
right, Man - i - fold bless - ings to thee ___ are ow - ing, Gra - cious and

A
right, Man - i - fold bless - ings to thee ___ are ow - ing, Gra - cious and

T
right, Man - i - fold bless - ings to thee are ow - ing, Gra - cious and

B
right, Man - i - fold bless - ings to thee ___ are ow - ing, Gra - cious and

Pno.

Behold! the Moon

78

S beau - ti - ful orb of night! Shine on, O shine

A beau - ti - ful orb of night! Shine on, O shine

T beau - ti - ful orb of night! Shine on, O shine

B beau - ti - ful orb of night! Shine on, O shine

Pno.

84

S on, Thy fair lus - tre be - stow - ing, Gra - cious and

A on, Thy fair lus - tre be - stow - ing, Gra - cious and

T on, Thy fair lus - tre be - stow - ing, Gra - cious and

B on, Thy fair lus - tre be - stow - ing, Gra - cious and

Pno.

Behold! the Moon

90

S
beau - ti - ful orb of the night! _____ Gra - cious and beau - ti - ful orb of the night! *rall.*

A
beau - ti - ful orb of the night! _____ Gra - cious and beau - ti - ful orb of the night! *rall.*

T
beau - ti - ful orb of the night! _____ Gra - cious and beau - ti - ful orb of the night! *rall.*

B
beau - ti - ful orb of the night! _____ Gra - cious and beau - ti - ful orb of the night! *rall.*

Pno.
p *rall.*

Detailed description: This is a musical score for a four-part vocal setting of 'Behold! the Moon'. The score is written for Soprano (S), Alto (A), Tenor (T), and Bass (B) voices, along with a Piano (Pno.) accompaniment. The music is in the key of D major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The vocal parts are written in treble clef, while the piano accompaniment is in grand staff (treble and bass clefs). The lyrics are: 'beau - ti - ful orb of the night! _____ Gra - cious and beau - ti - ful orb of the night!'. The score includes dynamic markings such as *p* (piano) and *rall.* (rallentando). The number '90' is written above the first measure of the vocal staves. The piano accompaniment features a simple harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes.

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