



The Song of the Gale

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Myles Birket Foster (1851-1922) was born in London, England. His father was Myles Birket Foster (1825-1899), a well known illustrator watercolourist and engraver. He trained at the Royal Academy of Music, studying under Ebenezer Prout, Hamilton Clarke, and Sir Arthur Sullivan. He was organist at Haweis' church and at the Foundling Hospital, and was editor for Boosey. He became an Examiner of Trinity College, London, requiring him to spend many years in Australia and South Africa. He authored the books *Anthems and Anthem Composers* and *History of the Philharmonic Society*. His compositions include service music, anthems, cantatas for children's voices, songs, and part-songs, mostly two-part or patriotic.

I waken the slumbering ocean,
He rises in rage and might,
But I laugh at his foaming fury,
I laugh at his foaming fury,
And sport with the billows white;
They rear and dash, with a thunder crash,
As I speed on my long, wild flight.

I shout in the gloomy forest!
The trees in my grasp I shake,
The yellow leaves dance before me,
The green from their boughs I break;
My clarions sound in the deeps profound,
As my way through the woods I take.

Afar through the boundless heavens,
The white-winged clouds I chase,
And I laugh! As I see them flying
Across the old moon's white face;
In wild delight I mock at their fright,
And I cry — "O ye clouds, give place!"

Shapcott Wensley [Henry Shapcott Bunce] (1854-1917)

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Piano

Con moto agitato

f

cresc.

Pno.

mp poco rit.

f a tempo



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7 *con forza*

S I wak - en the slum - b'ring o - cean, He_

A I wak - en the o - cean, He_

T I wak - en the o - cean, He_

B I wak - en the o - cean, He_

Pno.

11

S ris - es in rage and might, But I laugh at his foam - ing

A ris - es in rage and might, But I laugh, laugh at his

T ris - es in rage and might, But I laugh at his foam - ing

B ris - es in rage and might, But I laugh, laugh at his

Pno.

14 *poco dim.*

S fu - ry, I laugh at his foam - ing fu - ry,

A fu - ry, Laugh at his foam - ing fu - ry,

T fu - ry, I laugh at his foam - ing fu - ry,

B fu - ry, laugh at his fu - ry, his foam - ing fu - ry, And *mf*

Pno. *poco dim.*

17 *cresc.*

S And sport with the bil - lows white; They *più f*

A And sport with the bil - lows white; They *più f*

T *mf cresc.* And sport with the bil - lows, *cresc.* sport with the bil - lows white; They *più f*

B *cresc.* sport with the bil - lows white, *cresc.* and sport with the bil - lows white; They *più f*

Pno. *cresc.* *f cresc.* *più f*

21

S rear and dash, with a thun - der crash, As I speed on my long, wild flight. _____

A rear and dash, with a thun - der crash, As I speed on my long, wild flight. _____

T rear, dash, with a thun - der crash, As I speed on my long, wild flight. _____

B rear, dash, with a thun - der crash, As I speed on my long, wild flight. _____

Pno.

f *rit.* *a tempo*

25

S I shout in the gloom - y

A I shout in the gloom - y

T I shout in the gloom - y

B I shout in the gloom - y

Pno.

f

29

S
for - est! The trees in my grasp I shake, The

A
for - est! The trees I shake, The

T
for - est! The trees I shake, The

B
for - est! The trees I shake, The

Pno.

32

S
yel - low leaves dance be - fore me, the *poco dim.*

A
yel - low leaves dance be - fore me, the *poco dim.*

T
leaves dance be - fore me, the *poco dim.*

B
leaves dance be - fore me, the *poco dim.*

Pno.

leggiero

leggiero

34

S
yel - low leaves dance be - fore me,

A
leaves dance be - fore me,

T
leaves dance be - fore me, The

B
leaves dance be - fore me, The green from their boughs I

Pno.

37

S
The green from their boughs I break;

A
I break, break, break; My

T
green from their boughs I break, break, break; My

B
break, I break, break, break;

Pno.

40

S In the deeps pro - found, As my way thro' the woods I take.

A clar - ions sound in the deeps pro - found, As my way thro' the woods I take.

T clar - ions sound in the deeps pro - found, As my way I take.

B In the deeps pro - found, As my way thro' the woods I take.

Pno. *mf* *cresc. molto*

44

Rather slower

S Thro' the bound - less hea - vens, The

A A - far thro' the hea - vens, The

T A - far thro' the hea - vens, The

B Thro' the bound - less hea - vens, The

Pno. *ff* **Rather slower**

48 *accel. al* **Tempo 1**

S white-wing'd clouds I chase, And I laugh! I laugh! As I

A clouds I chase, And I laugh! I laugh! As I

T white-wing'd clouds I chase, And I laugh! I laugh! As I

B white-wing'd clouds I chase, And I laugh! I laugh! As I

Pno. *accel. al* **Tempo 1**

52

S see_ them fly - ing, fly - ing A - cross the old moon's white face; In

A see them fly - ing, I see_ them fly - ing A - cross the old moon's white face; In

T see them fly - ing, I see them fly - ing A - cross the old moon's white face; In

B see them fly - ing, I see them fly - ing A - cross the old moon's white face; In

Pno.

56 **Lento**

S wild de - light I mock at their fright, And I cry— "O ye clouds, give

A wild de - light I mock at their fright, And I cry— "O ye clouds, give

T wild de - light I mock at their fright, And I cry— "O ye clouds, give

B wild de - light I mock at their fright, And I cry— "O ye clouds, give

Pno. **Lento**

59 **Allegro subito**

S place!"

A place!"

T place!"

B place!"

Pno. **Allegro subito**

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