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Light Leaves Whisper

Gustav Holst
(1874-1934)

Light leaves whisper touched by the evening breeze,
Pale moon beams glimmer a-falling through the trees;
Sweet are these sights to weary hearts,
Sweet are these sights to me,
Though I can understand them ne'er
Unless I am with thee.

The nightingale may melt his soul in song,
Shed all the thoughts which his small bosom throng;
But, oh my love, my gentle love,
I ne'er can understand
The hidden meaning of these thing
Unless thou art at hand.

Fritz Bennicke Hart (1874-1949)

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Andante con moto

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S A T B

Light leaves whis - per touch'd by the eve - ning breeze,

Light leaves whis - per touch'd by the eve - ning breeze,

Light leaves whis - per touch'd by the eve - ning breeze, touch'd by the eve - ning

Light leaves whis - per touch'd by the eve - ning breeze,

Light leaves whis - per touch'd by the eve - ning breeze,

5 6

S A T B

Pale moon beams glim - mer a - fall - ing thro' the trees,

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S Sweet are these sights _____ to wear - y
Sweet are these sights to wear - y
A Sweet, sweet are these sights to wear - y
T Sweet are these sights to wear - y
B Sweet are these

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S hearts, Sweet are these sights _____ to
hearts, to wear - y hearts, Sweet are these sights _____ to
A hearts, Sweet are these sights _____ to
T hearts, Sweet are these sights _____ to
B sights to wear - y hearts, Sweet are these sights _____ to

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S me - Tho' I can un - der -
me, sweet are these sights to me Tho' I can un - der -
A me, sweet are these sights to me Tho' I can
T me - Tho' I can
B me -

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stand them ne'er Un - less,
 stand them ne'er Un - less, un - less I
 un - der - stand them ne'er Un - less, un - less I
 un - der - stand them ne'er Un - less, un - less I
 Tho' I can un - der - stand them ne'er Un - less, un - less I

f *dim.* *pp*

f *dim.* *pp*

f *dim.* *pp*

pp

Poco rit.
 am with thee. a tempo
 am with thee. The night - in - The night - in -
 am with thee. The night - in - gale may
 am with thee. The night - in - gale may
 am with thee. The night - in - gale may

pp

gale may melt his soul in song, Shed
 melt his soul in song, Shed all the
 melt his soul in song, Shed all the
 melt his soul in song, Shed all the

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S which his small bos - om throng; *p* | 6

A all the thoughts which his small bos - om throng; But, | 6

T thoughts which his small bos - - - om throng; | 6

B thoughts which his small bos - om throng; | 6

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S oh my love, my gen - tle | 6

A But, oh. my love, my gen - tle | 6

T But, oh. my love, my gen - tle | 6

B But, oh my | 6

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S love, I ne'er can un - - - der - | 6

A love, I ne'er can un - - - der - | 6

T love, I ne'er can un - - - der - | 6

B gen - tle love, I ne'er can un - - - der - | 6

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stand

S

A

T

B

cresc.

cresc.

stand, I ne'er can un - der - stand The hid - den

stand, I ne'er can un - der - stand The

stand

The

stand

these

S

A

T

B

mean - ing of these things Un -

hid - den mean - ing of these things Un -

hid - den mean - ing of these things Un -

The hid - den mean - ing of these things Un -

less,

S

A

T

B

un - less thou art at hand.

less, un - less thou art at hand.

less, un - less thou art at hand.

things Un - less thou art at hand.

pp dim.

pp dim.

pp dim.

pp dim.

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