



The evening star

Alexander Campbell Mackenzie
(1847~1935)

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Andantino tranquillo ♩ = 80

Soprano (S): How sweet thy mo - dest light to view, Fair star! to
Alto (A): How sweet, how sweet thy mo - dest light to view, Fair star! to
Tenor (T): How sweet, how sweet thy mo - dest light to view, Fair star! to
Bass (B): How sweet, how sweet thy mo - dest light to view, Fair star! to

Soprano (S): love and lov - ers dear; While tremb - ling on the fall - ing dew, Like
Alto (A): love and lov - ers dear; While tremb - ling on the fall - ing dew, Like
Tenor (T): love and lov - ers dear; While tremb - ling on the fall - ing dew, Like
Bass (B): love and lov - ers dear; While tremb - ling on the fall - ing dew, Like

II

Soprano (S) vocal line:

beau - ty shin - ing through the tear, like beau - ty shin - ing,

Alto (A) vocal line:

Like beau - ty shin - ing through the tear, like beau - ty shin - ing

Tenor (T) vocal line:

Like beau - ty shin - ing through the tear, like beau - ty shin - ing

Bass (B) vocal line:

Like beau - ty shin - ing through the tear, shin - ing

Musical markings: cresc., mf.

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Soprano (S) vocal line:

dolce calando shin - ing through the tear; Or hang - ing o'er _____ that mir - ror

Alto (A) vocal line:

dolce calando through the tear; Or hang - ing o'er _____ that mir - ror

Tenor (T) vocal line:

dolce calando through _____ the tear; Or hang - ing o'er _____ that mir - ror

Bass (B) vocal line:

dolce calando through _____ the tear; Or hang - ing o'er _____ that mir - ror

Musical markings: dolce calando, mf.

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Soprano (S) vocal line:

stream, To mark each im - age, each im - age tremb - ling there, Thou

Alto (A) vocal line:

stream, To mark each im - age tremb - ling there, _____

Tenor (T) vocal line:

stream, To mark each im - age tremb - ling there, _____

Bass (B) vocal line:

stream, _____ To mark each im - age tremb - ling there, _____

Musical markings: cresc., mf., rit.

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27 *a tempo*

S seem'st, thou seem'st to smile with soft - er gleam, To see thy love - ly face so

A Thou seem'st to smile with soft - er gleam, To see thy love - ly

T Thou seem'st to smile with soft - er gleam, To see thy love - ly

B Thou seem'st to smile with soft - er gleam, To see thy love - ly

cresc.

a tempo pp

cresc.

f

32 *dim.*

S fair, to see, to see thy love - ly face so

A face, to see, to see thy love - ly face so

T face, to see, to see thy love - ly face so

B face so fair, to see, to see thy face so

dim.

dim.

dim.

dim.

37 *p*

S fair, to see thy love - ly face so fair.

A fair, to see thy love - ly face so fair.

T fair, to see thy love - ly face so fair.

B fair, thy love - ly face so fair.

mf

rit.

<>

p

rit.

<>

p

rit.

<>

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42 *a tempo*

Soprano: Though, blaz - ing o'er the arch of night, The moon thy
 Alto: Though, blaz - ing o'er the arch of night, of night, The moon thy
 Tenor: Though, blaz - ing o'er the arch of night, of night, The moon thy
 Bass: Though, blaz - ing o'er the arch of night, of night, The moon thy

47 *mf pp*

Soprano: tim - id beams out - shine, As far as thine each star - ry light;- Her
 Alto: tim - id beams out - shine, As far as thine each star - ry light;- Her
 Tenor: tim - id beams out - shine, As far as thine each star - ry light;- Her
 Bass: tim - id beams out - shine, As far as thine each star - ry light;- Her

52 *cresc.*

Soprano: rays can nev - er vie with thine, her rays can
 Alto: Her rays can nev - er vie with thine, her rays can
 Tenor: Her rays can nev - er vie with thine, her rays can
 Bass: Her rays can nev - er vie with thine, her rays can

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Soprano (S) *p* *calando*
never, never vie with thine.
Thine are the soft _____ en -

Alto (A) *p* *calando*
er vie with thine.
Thine are the soft _____ en -

Tenor (T) *p* *calando*
nev - er vie with thine. Thine are the soft _____ en -

Bass (B) *p* *calando*
nev - er vie with thine.
Thine are the soft _____ en -

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Soprano (S)
chant - ing hours, When twi - light lin - gers, lin - gers on the

Alto (A)
chant - ing hours, When twi - light lin - gers on the

Tenor (T)
chant - ing hours, When twi - light lin - gers on the

Bass (B)
chant - ing hours, When twi - light lin - gers on the

67

Soprano (S) *rit.* *pp* *a tempo*
plain, And whis - pers to the clos - ing flow'rs, That soon the

Alto (A) *rit.* *pp* *a tempo*
plain, And whis - pers to the clos - ing flow'rs, That soon the

Tenor (T) *rit.* *pp* *a tempo*
plain, And whis - pers to the clos - ing flow'rs, That soon the

Bass (B) *rit.* *pp* *a tempo*
plain, And whis - pers to the clos - ing flow'rs, That soon the

72

S sun will rise a - gain, _____ that soon, _____ that soon the sun _____ will
A sun will rise, _____ that soon, _____ that soon the sun will sun will
T sun will rise, that soon, _____ that soon the sun sun will
B sun will rise a - gain, _____ that soon, that soon the sun sun will

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S rise a - gain, that soon the sun will rise a - gain.
A rise a - gain, that soon the sun, the sun will rise a - gain.
T rise a - gain, that soon the sun will rise a - gain.
B a - gain, the sun will rise a - gain.

Novello, Ewer and Company
(1881)

Sir Alexander Campbell Mackenzie (1847-1935) was born in Edinburgh, Scotland, to a musical family. Mackenzie's talent emerged early: at the age of eight he was playing nightly in his father's orchestra. He was sent for his musical education to Germany, and, in 1862, he successfully applied for admission to the Royal Academy of Music in London. Shortly after starting at the Academy, he was awarded a King's Scholarship, the income from which Mackenzie augmented by playing in theatre and music hall pit-bands, as well as in classical concerts.

In 1865 Mackenzie returned to Edinburgh, teaching privately and in local colleges. In 1873 he took on the conductorship of the Scottish Vocal Association. Mackenzie's heavy workload began to undermine his health. Mackenzie began composing full-time, spending much time in the company of Franz Liszt. In early 1888 Mackenzie was appointed as the principal of the Royal Academy of Music. He held the post for 36 years until his retirement in 1924. Together with Hubert Parry and Charles Villiers Stanford, he was regarded as one of the fathers of the British musical renaissance in the late nineteenth century.

Ode to the evening star

How sweet thy modest light to view,
Fair star! to love and lovers dear;
While trembling on the falling dew,
Like beauty shining through the tear;

Or hanging o'er that mirror stream,
To mark each image trembling there,
Thou seem'st to smile with softer gleam,
To see thy lovely face so fair.

Though, blazing o'er the arch of night,
The moon thy timid beams outshine,
As far as thine each starry light;—
Her rays can never vie with thine.

Thine are the soft enchanting hours,
When twilight lingers on the plain,
And whispers to the closing flowers
That soon the sun will rise again.

John Leyden (1775-1811)

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