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To Sandra Von Valtier

Farewells from Paradise

a "Ten-minute Opera"
for Lyric Soprano, Baritone,
Violoncello and Piano

Elizabeth Barrett Browning
(1806–1861)

Frank Ferko

Moderately ♩ = 88

Soprano

Baritone

Violoncello

Moderately ♩ = 88

p *espressivo*

Piano

pp

Moderately ♩ = 88

Vc.

Pno.

3

The musical score is presented in a standard format with five staves. The top two staves are for the vocalists, Soprano and Baritone, both in 2+3+3 time. The third staff is for the Violoncello, also in 2+3+3 time, with a dynamic marking of *p* *espressivo*. The fourth and fifth staves are for the Piano, in 2+3+3 time, with a dynamic marking of *pp*. The bottom two staves are for the Violoncello (Vc.) and Piano (Pno.), with a dynamic marking of *pp*. The tempo is marked 'Moderately' with a quarter note equal to 88 beats per minute. A large watermark 'COPYRIGHT IS ILLEGAL' is overlaid diagonally across the score.

6 $\text{♩} = 56$
River-spirits: *p*

S. Hark! the flow of the four riv-ers—

Bar. Hark! the flow of the four riv-ers—

Vc. $\text{♩} = 56$

Pno. $\text{♩} = 56$

Ped. ** Ped.*

10

S. Hark the flow! How — the si - lence round you shiv - ers, While our voic - es through

Bar. Hark the flow! How — the si - lence round you shiv - ers, While our voic - es through

Vc. *p* *am Steg* *mp*

Pno. *mf*

** Ped.* ** Ped.* ** Ped.*

14

S. — it go,

Bar. — it go,

Vc. *pp* *p*

Pno. *p* *pp*

2+3+3
8

17

S. Cold _____ and

Bar. Cold _____ and

Vc. *mp*

Pno. *mp*

mp

* Ped.

19

S. *clear.* *poco rit.* *a tempo*

Bar. *clear.* *poco rit.* *a tempo*

Vc. *poco rit.* *a tempo*

Pno. *poco rit.* *a tempo*

22

Vc. *lyrical* *mf* *pp*

Pno. *mf* *8va* *l.v.*

25

Vc. *lyrical* *mf* *pp*

Pno. *mf* *8va* *l.v.*

Ped. *

29 $\text{♩} = \text{ca. } 56$
lyrical

Pno. *p*

33 *with some feeling of nostalgia*
A softer voice: *p*

Bar. Think a lit-tle, — while ye hear, — Of the banks Where the wil-lows and the

Vc. *p*

Pno.

36 *mf*

Bar. deer — Crowd in in-ter-min-gled ranks, — As if all would drink at once Where the liv-ing wa-ter

Vc. *mf*

Pno. *mf*