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(1844-1930)

# I praise the tender flower, op.43 no.2

C. V. Stanford  
(1852-1924)

Voice *larghetto* *mp*

I praise the ten-der flower,— That on a mourn-ful

Piano *p*

5 *mp*

day— Bloomed in my gar-den bower,— And made the win-ter gay. Its

Piano *p*

10

love— li-ness con- tent-ed my heart tor- ment-ed.

Piano *p*

15 *p*

I praise the gen-tle maid,— whose hap-py voice and smile To con-fi-dence be- trayed— My

Piano *p*

20

dole-ful heart a - while: And gave my spi- rit de -

25

plor-ing Fresh wings for soar - ing. The maid for ve - ry

30

fear - of love I durst not tell; The rose could ne-ver hear, - though I be -

spake her well: So in my song I

35

bind them For all to find them.

40