



Opus 53. No. 1

There is Sweet Music

Sir Edward Elgar
(1857-1934)

Andante ♩ = 44

T 1 legato ed espress.

T 2 legato ed espress.

B 1 legato ed espress.

B 2 legato ed espress.

There is sweet music here that soft - er falls Than pet - als

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T 1 * — from blown ros - es——— on the grass; Or night - dews on

T 2 — from blown ros - es——— on the grass; Or night - dews on

B 1 pp 3 — from blown ros - es——— on the grass; Or night - dews on

B 2 pp — from blown ros - es——— on the grass; Or night - dews on

— from blown ros - es——— on the grass; Or night - dews on

* Composer's Note "Some Contraltos should sing with the 1st Tenors."

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T 1 still wat - ers be - tween walls Of shad - owy gran - ite,

T 2 still wat - ers be - tween walls Of shad - owy gran - ite,

B 1 still wat - ers be - tween walls Of shad - owy gran - ite,

B 2 still wat - ers be - tween walls Of shad - owy gran - ite,



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S 1 - legato ed express. *ppp* There is sweet mu - sic

S 2 - legato ed express. *ppp* There is sweet mu - sic

A 1 - legato ed express. *ppp* There is sweet mu - sic

A 2 - legato ed express. *ppp* There is sweet mu - sic

T 1 - in a gleam - ing pass; molto dim.

T 2 - in a gleam - ing pass; molto dim.

B 1 - in a gleam - ing pass; molto dim.

B 2 - in a gleam - ing pass;

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S 1 here that soft - er falls Than pet - als from blown ros - es on the

S 2 here that soft - er falls Than pet - als from blown ros - es on the

A 1 here that soft - er falls Than pet - als from blown ros - es on the

A 2 here that soft - er falls Than pet - als from blown ros - es on the

T 1 *ppp*

T 2 *ppp*

B 1 *ppp*

B 2 *ppp*

This section of the musical score consists of eight staves. The top four staves are soprano voices (S 1, S 2, A 1, A 2), each with lyrics: "here that soft - er falls", "Than pet - als from blown", "ros - es on the". The bottom four staves are bass voices (T 1, T 2, B 1, B 2), each marked with a dynamic of *ppp*. The music is in common time (indicated by a '4'). Measure 9 begins with a forte dynamic followed by a half note rest.

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S 1 grass; Mu - - - sic that gen - tlier on the spir - it

S 2 grass; Mu - - - sic that gen - tlier on the spir - it

A 1 grass; Mu - - - sic that gen - tlier on the spir - it

A 2 grass; Mu - - - sic that gen - tlier on the spir - it

T 1 *p*

T 2 *p*

B 1 *p*

B 2 *p*

This section of the musical score continues with the same vocal parts and instrumentation. The lyrics begin with "grass; Mu - - - sic that gen - tlier on the spir - it". The dynamics are marked with *p* (pianissimo). Measures 10 and 11 show a change in time signature between common time (4/4) and a 5/4 measure. Measure 11 includes dynamic markings *mf* and *ten.* (tempo).

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S 1 *dim.*
lies, _____ Than tir'd eye - lids up - on tir'd

S 2 *dim.*
lies, _____ Than tir'd eye - lids up - on tir'd

A 1
lies,

A 2
lies,

T 1 *pp*
Mu - sic that gen - tier on the spir - it lies, *dim.*

T 2 *pp*
Mu - sic that gen - tier on the spir - it lies, *dim.*

B 1 *pp*
Mu - sic that gen - tier on the spir - it lies, *dim.*

B 2 *pp*
Mu - sic that gen - tier on the spir - it lies,

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S 1 eyes, _____ That gen - tlier lies, Than tir'd **10**

S 2 eyes, _____ That gen - tlier lies, Than tir'd **10**

A 1
That gen - tlier lies, Than tir'd

A 2
That gen - tlier lies, Than tir'd **10**

T 1 *pp*
Mu - sic that gen - tier on the spir - it lies, **10**

T 2 *pp*
Mu - sic that gen - tier on the spir - it lies, **10**

B 1 *pp*
Mu - sic that gen - tier on the spir - it lies, **10**

B 2 *pp*
Mu - sic that gen - tier on the spir - it lies,

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S 1 eye - lids up - on tir'd eyes; *dim.*

S 2 eye - lids up - on tir'd eyes; *dim.*

A 1 eye - lids up - on tir'd eyes; *dim.*

A 2 eye - lids up - on tir'd eyes; *dim.*

T 1 *p* Than tir'd eye - lids up - on tir'd eyes; *dim.*

T 2 *p* Than tir'd eye - lids up - on tir'd eyes; *dim.*

B 1 *p* Than tir'd eye - lids up - on tir'd eyes; *dim.*

B 2 *p* Than tir'd eye - lids up - on tir'd eyes; *dim.*

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S 1 Mu - sic that brings sweet sleep, Mu - - - sic

S 2 Mu - sic that brings sweet sleep, Mu - - - sic

A 1 Mu - sic that brings sweet sleep,

A 2 Mu - sic that brings sweet sleep,

T 1 *mf* Mu - sic that brings sweet sleep, that brings sweet sleep Down from the

T 2 *mf* Mu - sic that brings sweet sleep, that brings sweet sleep Down from the

B 1 *mf* Mu - sic that brings sweet sleep, that brings sweet sleep Down from the

B 2 *mf* Mu - sic that brings sweet sleep, that brings

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S 1 that brings sweet sleep Down from the bliss - ful skies.

S 2 that brings sweet sleep Down from the bliss - ful skies.

A 1 that brings sweet sleep Down from the bliss - ful skies.

A 2 that brings sweet sleep Down from the bliss - ful skies.

T 1 bliss - ful skies. that brings sweet sleep Down from the

T 2 bliss - ful skies. that brings sweet sleep Down from the

B 1 bliss - ful skies. that brings sweet sleep Down from the

B 2 sweet sleep, that brings sweet sleep Down from the bliss - ful

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S 1 Here are cool moss - es deep, *dim.*

S 2 Here are cool moss - es deep,

A 1 Here are cool moss - es deep, And thro' the moss the i - vies

A 2 Here are cool moss - es deep, And thro' the moss the i - vies

T 1 bliss - ful, bliss - ful skies. Here are cool

T 2 bliss - ful, bliss - ful skies. Here are cool

B 1 bliss - ful, bliss - ful skies, the bliss - ful

B 2 bliss - ful, bliss - ful skies, the bliss - ful

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S 1 And in the stream the long - leaved flow > *ppp* - ers weep,
 S 2 And in the stream the long - leaved flow > *ppp* - ers weep,
 A 1 creep, And in the stream the flow > *ppp* - ers weep,
 A 2 creep, And in the stream the flow > *ppp* - ers weep,
 T 1 moss - es deep, And in the stream the long - leaved
 T 2 moss - es deep, And in the stream the long - leaved
 B 1 skies. And in the stream the long - leaved
 B 2 skies. The long - leaved flow - ers

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S 1 And from the crag - gy ledge the pop - py *poco rit.* hangs in
 S 2 And from the crag - gy ledge the pop - py *poco rit.* hangs in
 A 1 And from the crag - gy ledge the pop - py *poco rit.* hangs in
 A 2 And from the crag - gy ledge the pop - py *poco rit.* hangs in
 T 1 flow - - - ers weep, *poco rit.*
 T 2 flow - - - ers weep, *poco rit.*
 B 1 flow - - - ers weep, *poco rit.*
 B 2 weep,

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S 1 *a tempo pp* sleep. Mu - sic ____ that brings sweet

S 2 *a tempo pp* sleep. Mu - sic ____ that brings sweet

A 1 *pp a tempo* sleep. Mu - sic ____ that brings sweet

A 2 *pp a tempo* sleep. Mu - sic ____ that brings sweet

T 1 *a tempo pp* And in the stream the long - leaved flow - ers weep,

T 2 *a tempo pp* And in the stream the long - leaved flow - ers weep,

B 1 *a tempo pp* And in the stream the long - leaved flow - ers weep,

B 2 *a tempo pp* And in the stream the long - leaved flow - ers weep,

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S 1 *ppp* sleep Down from the bliss - ful

S 2 *ppp* sleep Down from the bliss - ful

A 1 *ppp* sleep Down from the bliss - ful

A 2 *ppp* sleep Down from the bliss - ful

T 1 *ppp* And from the crag - gy ledge the pop - py hangs in sleep.

T 2 *ppp* And from the crag - gy ledge the pop - py hangs in sleep.

B 1 *ppp* And from the crag - gy ledge the pop - py hangs in sleep.

B 2 *ppp* And from the crag - gy ledge the pop - py hangs in sleep.

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S 1 skies.

S 2 skies.

A 1 skies.

A 2 skies.

T 1 There is sweet music here that

T 2 There is sweet music here that

B 1 There is sweet music here that

B 2 There is sweet music here that

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S 1

S 2

A 1

A 2

T 1 soft - er falls Than pet - als from blown ros - es on the

T 2 soft - er falls Than pet - als from blown ros - es on the

B 1 soft - er falls Than pet - als from blown ros - es on the

B 2 soft - er falls Than pet - als from blown ros - es on the

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S 1 flow - ers weep, *dim.* And from the *poco* crag - gy

S 2 flow - ers weep, *dim.* And from the *poco* crag - gy

A 1 flow - ers weep, *dim.* And from the *poco* crag - gy

A 2 flow - ers weep, *dim.* And from the *poco* crag - gy

T 1 8 *pp* And in the stream

T 2 8 *pp* And in the stream

B 1 *pp* the flow - ers weep,

B 2 *pp* the flow - ers weep,

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S 1
ledge the pop - py hangs in sleep,
dim.

S 2
ledge the pop - py hangs in sleep,
dim.

A 1
ledge the pop - py hangs in sleep,
dim.

A 2
ledge the pop - py hangs in sleep,
dim.

T 1
And from the crag

T 2

B 1
And from the

B 2

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S 1
hangs in sleep,
dim.

S 2
hangs in sleep,
dim.

A 1
hangs in sleep,
dim.

A 2
hangs in sleep,
dim.

T 1
sleep, *rit. e dim.*

T 2
the pop - py hangs in sleep,

B 1
crag gy ledge

B 2
the pop - py hangs in

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S 1 sleep, sleep, sleep.

S 2 sleep, sleep, sleep.

A 1 sleep, sleep, sleep.

A 2 sleep, sleep, sleep.

T 1 sleep, sleep, sleep, sleep.

T 2 sleep, sleep, sleep, sleep.

B 1 sleep, sleep, sleep, sleep.

B 2 sleep, sleep, sleep, sleep.

Novello and Company
(1908)

There is sweet music here that softer falls
Than petals from blown roses on the grass,
Or night-dews on still waters between walls
Of shadowy granite, in a gleaming pass;
Music that gentlier on the spirit lies,
Than tired eyelids upon tired eyes;
Music that brings sweet sleep down from the blissful skies.
Here are cool mosses deep,
And thro' the moss the ivies creep,
And in the stream the long-leaved flowers weep,
And from the craggy ledge the poppy hangs in sleep.

Alfred, Lord Tennyson (1809–1892)

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