La Belle Dame Sans Merci

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Score

Slow, dreamlike; con poco rubato throughout

Soprano 1

Soprano 2

Mezzo-soprano 1

Mezzo-soprano 2

Harp

\( q = 63 \)

Sum

\( j \)

Gently mocking

O what can all thee, knight-at arms, alone and palely

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The sedge is wi-ther’d on the
lake, and no
birds
sing.

Loitering? The sedge is
wi-ther’d on the
lake, and no
birds
sing.

(damp all notes
currently sounding)
Gently mocking

O what can

Gently mocking

O what can

ail thee, knight-at-arms, So gguard, so woe-be-gone?

ail thee, knight-at-arms, so ggard and so woe-be-gone?

Gently mocking

ha gguard, so woe-be-gone?
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The squirrel's granary is full,

and the harvest's done.

I see a lily on thy brow with

and the harvest's done.

With pathos

pp

subito
an-guish moist and fe-ver dew,  And on thy lips a fa-ding rose fast  wi-the-reth too.

With pathos mp

And on thy lips a fa-ding rose fast  wi-the-reth too.

Peu a peu pres de la table
These 6 pages are provided as a preview. For full score (22 pages, harp part available separately), please contact Chris Hutchings (hutchingsmusic@hotmail.com, chris@hutchingsmusic.co.uk, or phone 07811 395 488). Please look at www.hutchingsmusic.co.uk for recordings of other works, soon to include this piece also (performance scheduled for June 2008).