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5. Music for a while

(Slow)

The musical score consists of three staves. The top staff is treble clef, 4/4 time, with a dynamic of *p*. The middle staff is also treble clef, with dynamics *espr.* and *p*, and a tempo marking *sempre legato e poco marcato*. The bottom staff is bass clef, 4/4 time. The vocal line begins with a short rest followed by eighth-note pairs. The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support with sustained notes and eighth-note chords.

The musical score continues with three staves. The vocal line begins with a quarter note followed by a half note, with lyrics "Mu - sic," and "mu - sic for a -". The piano accompaniment maintains its harmonic function with eighth-note chords. The dynamic *pp* is indicated at the beginning of the second measure of this system.

The musical score concludes with three staves. The vocal line continues with lyrics "while shall all your cares be - guile, shall all, all, all, shall all, shall". The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support throughout the final measures.

all, — shall all your cares be - guile: Won - d'ring, won -

- d'ring how your pains — were eas'd, — eas'd, — eas'd — And dis -

dain - ing_ to be _ pleas'd Till A - lec - to free _ the

dead, till A - lec - - - - - to _ free the dead from

their e - ter - - - - nal. e - ter - - - - - - - - - nal

bands, Till the snakes drop, drop, drop, drop, drop,

(p) (pp)

drop, drop, drop, drop from — her head. And the

whip, and the whip from out her hands.

(p)

A handwritten musical score for a solo voice and piano. The vocal line is in soprano clef, and the piano accompaniment is in bass clef. The score consists of six staves of music, each with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are:

Mu - sic, mu - sic for a _ while shall all your cares be -

(pp)

guile, — shall all, all, all, shall all, all,

all, — shall all_ your cares be - guile, all, all, all,

all, all, all, shall all_ your cares be - guile.

The score includes dynamic markings such as (pp) and various slurs and grace notes. The piano part features harmonic changes indicated by key signatures.