



Eight
Four-Part Songs

No. 4

Home of my heart

Charles Hubert Hastings Parry
(1848-1918)

Home of my heart, when wilt thou ope
Thy silent doors to let me in?
What! not one glimpse to quicken hope
Of all that I aspire to win?

So near, and yet so oft denied!
The roses on my trellis throw
Their heedless scent from side to side,
Yet will not whisper what they know.

The yellow moon, that hangs and peers
Amid the icy horns on high,
Leans to the listening earth, yet fears
To tell the secret of the sky.

O pines, that whisper in the wind,
When lingering herds from pasture come,
Breathe somewhat of your steadfast mind:
The hour is yours: yet ye are dumb.

Sweet answering eyes, you too have learned
The secret that you will not tell—
I should have known it, but you turned
That moment, and the lashes fell!

Home of my heart, why stand so cold
And silent? There is mirth within:
The sun sinks low: the day is old:
Oh let the baffled wanderer in!

Arthur Christopher Benson (1862-1925)

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C. Hubert H. Parry

Moderato espressivo ♩ = 80

Soprano (S): Home of my heart, when wilt thou ope Thy si - lent doors to
Alto (A): Home of my heart, when wilt thou ope Thy si - silent doors to
Tenor (T): Home of my heart, when wilt thou ope Thy si - lent doors to
Bass (B): Home of my heart, when wilt thou ope Thy si - lent doors to

Soprano (S): let me in? What! not one glimpse to quick - en hope Of
Alto (A): let me in? What! not one glimpse to quick - en hope Of
Tenor (T): let me in? What! not one glimpse to quick - en hope Of
Bass (B): let me in? What! not one glimpse to quick - en hope Of

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S all that I as - pire to win? So near, and yet so oft de - nied!

A all that I as - pire to win? So near, and yet so oft de - nied!

T all that I as - pire to win? So near, and yet so oft de - nied!

B all that I as - pire to win? So near, and yet so oft de - nied!

II

S The ros - es on my trellis throw Their heed - less scent from dim.

A The ros - es on my trellis throw Their heed - less scent from dim.

T The ros - es on my trellis throw Their heed - less scent from dim.

B The ros - es on my trellis throw Their heed - less scent from dim.

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S side to side, Yet will not whis - per what they know.

A side to side, Yet will not whis - per what they know.

T side to side, Yet will not whis - per what they know.

B side to side, Yet will not whis - per what they know.

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Poco più animato ♩=90

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S The yel - low moon, moon, _____ that anpeers A - mid the ic - y horns on high,
A The yel - low moon, _____ that hangs and peers A - mid the ic - y horns on high,
T The yel - low moon, _____ that hangs and peers A - mid the ic - y horns on high,
B The yel - low moon, _____ that hangs and peers A - mid the ic - y horns on high,

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S Leans to the lis - t'ning earth, yet fears To tell the se - cret of the sky.
A Leans to the lis - t'ning earth, yet fears To tell the se - cret of the sky.
T Leans to the lis - t'ning earth, yet fears To tell the se - cret of the sky.
B Leans to the lis - t'ning earth, yet fears To tell the se - cret of the sky.

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S O pines, that whis-per in the wind, When lin - - g'ring herds from pas - ture come,
A O pines, that whis-per in the wind, When lin - - g'ring herds from pas - ture come,
T O pines, that whis-per in the wind, When lin - - g'ring herds from pas - ture come,
B O pines, that whis-per in the wind, When lin - - g'ring herds from pas - ture come,

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S Breathe some-what of your stead - fast mind: The hour is yours: yet ye are dumb.

A Breathe some-what of your stead - fast mind: The hour is yours: yet ye are dumb.

T Breathe some-what of your stead - fast mind: The hour is yours: yet ye are dumb.

B Breathe some-what of your stead - fast mind: The hour is yours: yet ye are dumb.

S Breathe some-what of your stead - fast mind: The hour is yours: yet ye are dumb.

34 *a tempo*

S Sweet ans - w'ring eyes, you too have learned The se - cret that you will not tell—

A Sweet ans - w'ring eyes, you too have learned The se - cret that you will not tell—

T Sweet ans - w'ring eyes, you too have learned The se - cret that you will not tell—

B Sweet ans - w'ring eyes, you too have learned The se - cret that you will not tell—

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S I should have known it, but you turned That mo - ment, and the lash - es fell!

A I should have known it, but you turned That mo - ment, and the lash - es fell!

T I should have known it, but you turned That mo - ment, and the lash - es fell!

B I should have known it, but you turned That mo - ment, and the lash - es fell!

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Meno mosso ♩ = 80

S 42 Home of my heart, why stand so cold And si - lent? There is
 A Home of my heart, why stand so cold And si - lent? There is
 T Home of my heart, why stand so cold And si - lent? There is
 B Home of my heart, why stand so cold And si - lent? There is

S 45 mirth with - in: The sun sinks low: the day is old: Oh
 A mirth with - in: The sun sinks low: the day is old: Oh
 T mirth with - in: The sun sinks low: the day is old: Oh
 B mirth with - in: The sun sinks low: the day is old: Oh

cresc.

S 48 let the baf - fled wan - d'r'er in! Oh let the baf - fled wan - d'r'er in!
 A let the baf - fled wan - d'r'er in! Oh let the baf - fled wan - d'r'er in!
 T let the baf - fled wan - d'r'er in! Oh let the baf - fled wan - d'r'er in!
 B let the baf - fled wan - d'r'er in! Oh let the baf - fled wan - d'r'er in!

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