

Scenes from Shelley's  
**PROMETHEUS UNBOUND**

SET TO MUSIC FOR

Soprano, Contralto, Tenor & Bass soli, Chorus and Orchestra

by

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Horn 4

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## SCENE ONE

Act I - "A ravine of icy rocks in the Indian Caucasus. Prometheus is discovered bound to the precipice. Panthea and Ione are seated at this feet. Time, night. During the Scene, morning slowly breaks."

Horn in E $\flat$ 

♩ = 50

**A** **3** **21** **B** *rit.*

1-3 *p* *dim.* 6-26 *f*

29 *mf* *rit.* **C** **Tempo primo** *p* *p*

**Maestoso ma non troppo lento** ♩ = 60-72 **A**

**6** **16** *sf* *sf p*

40-45 46-61

66 **B** *Poco più moto.* **3** *sf p* *mf sf* 70-72

73 *rit.* **C** **Andante con moto.** **D** *Più moto.* **8** *p* 75-78 79-86 88-95

96 **E** **3** *mf cresc.* *f* 98-100

**8** **5** *p* *mf* *f* 104-111 115-119

122 *largamente.* **F** Allegro

Musical staff 122-130. Treble clef, key signature of one sharp (F#). Dynamics: *sf*, *mf*, *sf*, *f*. Includes a fermata over the first measure.

**G** Adagio

Musical staff 129-130. Treble clef, key signature of one sharp (F#). Time signature 2/4. Dynamics: *pp*. Includes a fermata over the first measure.

138

Musical staff 138-145. Treble clef, key signature of one sharp (F#). Dynamics: *mp*, *f*. Includes triplets.

146 **H**

Musical staff 146-151. Treble clef, key signature of one sharp (F#). Dynamics: *ff*, *mp*. Includes triplets and a fermata.

**K** **L** *poco rit.*

Musical staff 154-162. Treble clef, key signature of one sharp (F#). Dynamics: *f*, *p*, *pp*. Includes a fermata and a 5-measure rest.

**M** **N** *rit.*

Musical staff 167-177. Treble clef, key signature of one sharp (F#). Dynamics: *sf*, *mf*. Includes a fermata and rests.

A Tempo ♩ = 76 - 80 **O** *Molto sostenuto.*

Musical staff 204-218. Treble clef, key signature of one sharp (F#). Time signature 3/4. Dynamics: *mf*, *p*. Includes rests and a fermata.

219 **10** **4** ♩ = 80

Musical staff 222-236. Treble clef, key signature of one sharp (F#). Time signature 4/4. Dynamics: *p*, *pp*. Includes rests.

**P**

Allegro  $\text{♩} = \text{♩}$

237 7

239-245 *mf* *cresc.* *sf* *sf* >

249

*ff* *mf* < *sf* *f* < *cresc.*

**R**

256 3

258-260 *p* *f* < *sf*

**S**

265

*sf* *sf* *sf* *sf* *sf* *sf* *sf* *mf*

271 2

274-275

**T**

**V**

278 Con motto.

*ff* 16 5 7

280-295 296-300 *sf* 302-308

**W**

309 13

*sf* 4 ff *ff* *ff* 13 *f*

310-313 317-329

**X**

**Y**

332 A tempo

*mf* *cresc.* *sf* *mf* *sempre cresc.*

338

Musical staff for measures 338-342. The staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody consists of eighth and quarter notes. Measures 338-341 feature a series of eighth notes with accents (>). Measure 342 contains a half note with a forte dynamic marking (*ff*). The staff concludes with a quarter note marked *f*.

343

Musical staff for measures 343-347. The staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody consists of quarter and half notes. Measures 343-344 feature quarter notes with accents (>). Measure 345 contains a quarter note with a forte dynamic marking (*ff*). Measures 346-347 feature a half note with a sforzando dynamic marking (*sf*). The staff concludes with a quarter rest.

# SCENE TWO

Act I (cont'd) and Act II Scene V - "Morning. A lovely vale in the Indian Caucasus.

The Car pauses within a Cloud on the top of a snowy Mountain)"

## Horn in F

Andante con moto. ♩ = 76

*poco rit.*

Musical staff with notes and dynamics *p*, *mp*, *pp*. Includes a boxed letter **B**.

**A** *a tempo*

6 10

355-360 363-372

*p*

Musical staff with rests and notes, dynamics *p*. Includes a boxed letter **A**.

375 *sostenuto ad lib.* **C** *Tempo primo*

6 3

378-383 387-389

*p*

Musical staff with notes and rests, dynamics *p*. Includes a boxed letter **C**.

390 **D** *Andante molto sostenuto.* ♩ = 96

2 2

392-393 395-396

*p* *15<sup>ma</sup>*

**Begin Horn in E $\flat$**

Musical staff with notes and rests, dynamics *p*. Includes a boxed letter **D**.

2 *poco rit.*

399-400

*15<sup>ma</sup>*

Musical staff with notes and rests, dynamics *p*. Includes a boxed letter **E**.

**E** *A tempo* **F** *rit. molto*

7 2

407-413 418-419

*mf dim.* *p*

Musical staff with notes and rests, dynamics *mf dim.*, *p*. Includes boxed letters **E** and **F**.

**G** *tempo* **H**

3

420-422

*f* *p* *mp* *f* *dim.* *p*

Musical staff with notes and rests, dynamics *f*, *p*, *mp*, *f*, *dim.*, *p*. Includes boxed letters **G** and **H**.

429 *Animato.* K *Sostenuto.*

*poco rit.*

434 *tempo* L

*p* *pp*

442 *Ma poco più sostenuto.*  $\text{♩} = \text{♩}$  *Sostenuto.*

2 444-445 *p*

**Begin Horn in E** M *tempo*

2 5 13 452-453 454-458 459-471 *sf*

474 *rit.* N

2 476-477 *sf* *p* *mf* *mf* *f* *ff*

O *Adagio.*  $\text{♩} = \text{♩}$  P *Andante con moto moderato.*  $\text{♩} = 80$

3 5 2 482-484 485-489 490-491 *p*

496

*pp*

Q R

10 6 2 503 505-514 516-521 522-523 *p <> pp* *p*

524 S T

528-535 536-540

*p* *p* < >

**Begin Horn in E<sub>b</sub>** W

4 *poco rit.* *tempo* 2 3 6 *rit.*

544-547 550-551 552-554 555-560

*p* *mf*

X *Meno mosso.*

8

563-570

576 *poco rit.*

582 Y

585-589

*cresc.* *pp*

592

598

*poco a poco cresc.*

604

*dim.* *p*

Z

5 8

611-615 616-623

*pp* < > *pp* < >

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# SCENE THREE

Act III Scene I - "Heaven. Jupiter on is throne. Thetis and the other Deities assembled."

## Horn in F

Allegro moderato ♩ = 76

10 **A** 5

627-636 637-641

*mf* *f*

646

*mp* *dim.* 2 *p* *cresc.*

650-651

**B** *largamente.* 2

654

*mf* *ff* 656-657 *f*

**C** *Allegro (much faster)* ♩ = 132 **D** *Meno mosso.* ♩ = 96

662

18 664-681 *ff* *p*

686

6 688-693 *p*

*Sostenuto.* **E** *Poco meno mosso.* 8

698

*sf* 699-706 *f*

**F** *Allegro* ♩ = 126

710

*sf* *mf*

717

*mf*

725

*mf*

733

*f* *poco rit.*

**G** **Maestoso** ♩ = ♩ (♩ = 63)

741

*p*

**H**

Clarinet 1 & 2

**K**

749

*p* *dim.* *pp* 15

753-767

775 **Allegro** ♩ = ♩ (♩ = 132)

**L**

*ff* 6 3 *mp*

776-781

782-784

**M** **Allegro molto.** (♩ = 140)

789

*ff* 13

794-806

**N**

807

Musical staff for measures 807-814. The staff contains notes for measures 807, 808, 809, 810-814 (a whole rest), 811, 812, 813, and 814. A fermata is placed over the whole rest in measure 810-814. The number '5' is written above the staff in measure 810-814. The word 'rit.' is written at the end of the staff.

*sf*  $\rightrightarrows$  *p*

810-814

*mf* *cresc.*

*largamente ad lib.*

817

Musical staff for measures 817-824. The staff contains notes for measures 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, and 824. The piece ends with a double bar line at the end of measure 824.

*f*

*ff*

*sf*

# SCENE FOUR

Act III Scene IV - "A Forest. In the background a cave. Prometheus, Asia, Panthea, Ione, and the Spirit of the Earth"

## Horn in F

Andante ♩ = 80

6

822-827

*p*

*dim.*

**A** 10 **B** 3 **C** *Poco più moto.* 2

834-843

844-846

*p*

851-852

853 **D** 2 4

857-858

859-862

*p*

**E** 863 **F** 10 3 2

865-874

875-877

878-879

*f*

880 *largamente.* **G**

*p*

*p*

**H** *poco sostenuto* 4 2 *rit.*

885-888

889-890

*p*

896 **K** *tempo* 2

898-899

*mp*

*p*

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# SCENE FIVE

Act IV – “A part of the forest near the cave of Prometheus.

Panthea and Ione are sleeping; they awaken gradually during the chorus singing”

## Horn in F

**Allegro comodo.** ♩ = 126

*poco sostenuto*

10 **A** 5

902-911 912-916

*mf*

923 *poco rit.* **B** 16

931-946

**C** **D** Horn 1 **H**

16 947-962

972 **E** **F**

*mp* *cresc.* *f* *cresc.*

14 **G** 4

981-994 1002-1005

*p* *p*

1006

*mf* *f*

1015 **H** *L'istesso Tempo*

2 21

1018-1019 1021-1041

*sf*

1042 K **11** *rit.*

1045-1055 *ff* *ff*

*p* < >

1061 L **Allegro molto.** ♩ = 84

1063-1064 **2** *f*

1069

*ff*

1076 M **Più Allegro** N

1077-1091 **15** 1092-1093 **2**

1098 **Presto**

*ff*

1105

*f*

O

1112

*f*

1119

**P** Allegro Moderato ♩ = ♩ (♩ = about 96)

1127

1132-1136 *p*

**R** Andantino ♩ = ♩ (♩ = 96)

1138 *rit.* *rall.*

1140-1142 *mp* > *p*

**S**

1148-1150 **3** 1152-1186 **35** Sopranos

Our feet now ev'-ry palm, Are san-dall'd with calm, And the

1192

dew of our wings is a rain of balm, And be-yond our eyes The hu - man love

**T**

1199

lies Which makes all it gaz - es on Pa - ra - dise.

1205 *Poco più mosso.*

*p*

1212 **Allegro moderato.** ♩ = 96

*mf* *cresc.* *f* *f*

*Poco più molto ed accelerando.*

1219 U

< *f*

1226 V

*mf* < *f* > *mp*

W **Allegro molto. tempo giusto**

1233 6 8

1236-1241 *f* 1243-1250 *f*

1252 X

> *f*

1259

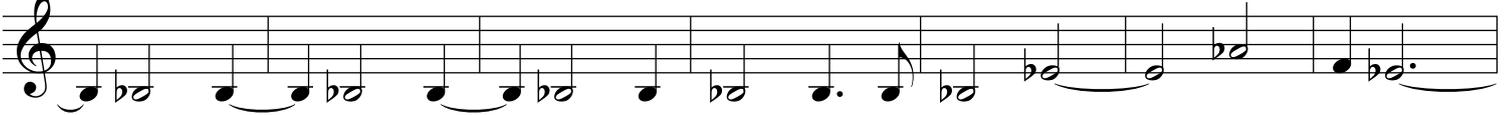
*f*

1266 Y

*f*

**Z** Alla breve.

1273



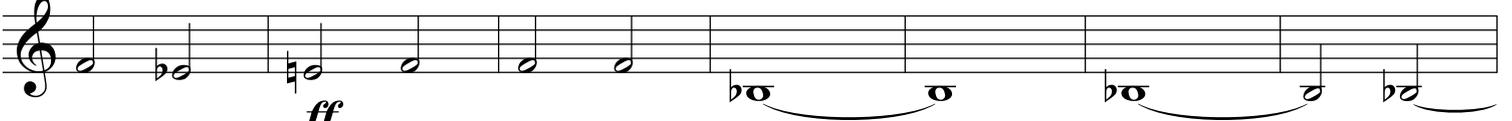
*mp cresc.*

1280



*sempre cresc.*

1287



*ff*

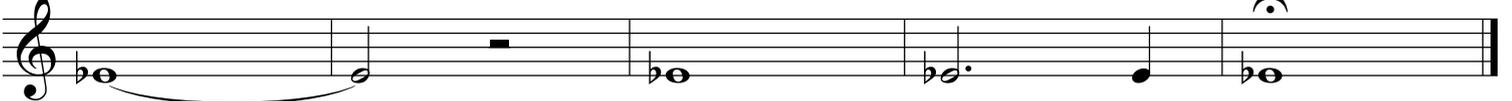
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