



EPILOGUE

from *Meg Blane - A Rhapsody of the Sea*

for

Mezzo-Soprano Solo, Chorus and Orchestra

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Op. 48 (1902)

Viola

COVER IMAGE

“Lighthouse on a Cliff by Moonlight” by Hermann Eschke, 1879



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Viola

Meg Blane - A Rhapsody of the Sea: Epilogue

Lento molto espressivo

The musical score is written for Viola in 2/4 time, marked "Lento molto espressivo". It consists of five numbered sections:

- Section 1:** Measures 1-7. Dynamics: *p*, *ff*, *dim.*, *p*. Includes a fermata over measure 7.
- Section 2:** Measures 19-28. Dynamics: *mp*, *mf*, *pp*, *pp*, *dim.*. Includes triplets in measures 19-21.
- Section 3:** Measures 31-38. Dynamics: *pp*, *pp*, *mp*. Includes a fermata over measures 34-38 and an "accel." marking.
- Section 4:** Measures 45-55. Dynamics: *sf*, *f*, *mp*, *dim.*. Includes a "rall." marking at measure 45 and "a tempo" at measure 50.
- Section 5:** Measures 56-68. Dynamics: *pp*, *f*. Includes a fermata over measure 56 and another over measures 64-68.

Viola

Più agitato

69 **5** poco accel.
p *mp* *p* *p*

78 **6** rall..... poco agitato
sf *mf* *f* *pp*

80-82

89 molto accel..... rall.....
mf *sf* *sf* *sf* *ff*

98 **7** a tempo *tr*
mf *dim.*

105 **8** pizz. arco
mp *dim.* *p* *pp* *mf*

115 **1** **6**
pp *mf* *mp* *cresc.*

122 **9** **1** **1**
mf *mf* *sf*

129 **5** **2** **10** a tempo
f *dim.* *p* *fp* *pp*

132-136 137-138

Viola

143 rall.....

ppp dim.

154 11 a tempo

157-158 *p* *fp* *mf*

165 12 largamente

f *cresc.* *sf* *mf*

174 rall.....

ff *ppp* 183-184

185 13 a tempo Morendo.....

Morendo.....

191 rall.....

pp



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