



MEG BLANE

A Rhapsody of the Sea

FOR MEZZO SOPRANO SOLO, CHORUS , ORCHESTRA

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CLARINET 1

COVER IMAGE

Tempête de mer avec épaves de navires

by

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1770

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The “renaissance” in English music is generally agreed to have started in the late Victorian period, beginning roughly in 1880. Public demand for major works in support of the annual choral festivals held throughout England at that time was considerable which led to the creation of many large scale works for orchestra with soloists and chorus.

Although a number of those works were engraved, printed and are regularly performed today, performance scores for a considerable number of compositions, both large-scale and more intimate works, are not available. These works were either never engraved or were engraved and printed but are no longer available in the publishers’ catalogues. While the existence of these works is documented in biographies of the composers, the ability to study and, most importantly, to perform these compositions is not possible.

Changes in the International copyright laws, coupled with changing musical tastes, played a pivotal role in creating this void. As a result, music publishers lost the ability to generate revenue from the sale/rental of such music. In 1964, holograph and copyist scores from both Novello and from publishers it represented were offered to the British Library and the Royal College of Music Library (see The RCM Novello Library – The Musical Times, Feb. 1983 by Jeremy Dibble).

These autograph full score manuscripts along with copies of engraved vocal scores, widely available through various online library sources, are now the only resources available for studying and performing these works.

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Clarinet (Bb) 1 & Clarinet (A) 1

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PROLOGUE

Samuel Coleridge-Taylor

Allegro molto Agitato.

Cl. in Bb

sf *sf* *mp*

10 *poco rit.* *poco accel.* *mf*

13-16 17-18

21 *mf* *mf* *f*

29 *mp* *mf* *f* *dim.*

30-40

46 *rall.* *a tempo* *solo* *mp*

49-50

54 *mf* *pp*

57-60

63 *mp* *p*

65-66 69-70

4

71 *mp* *molto cresc.* *f* *fz* *a tempo* 1

79 *mp* *sf* *mp* *sf*

5

86 1 2 3 4 5 *mp* *sf* 87-88 93-97

98 1 1 1 *sf* *sf* *mf* *rall.* *Moderato.* 8 105-112

113 *mp* *f* *mp* *f*

END OF PROLOGUE


120 *mp* *mf* *sf*

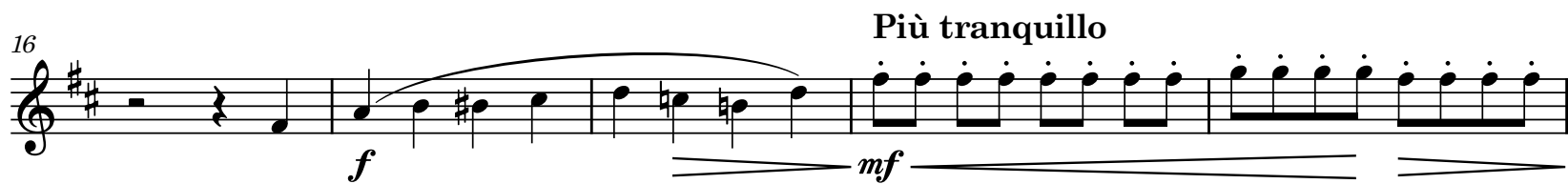
Cl. in Bb

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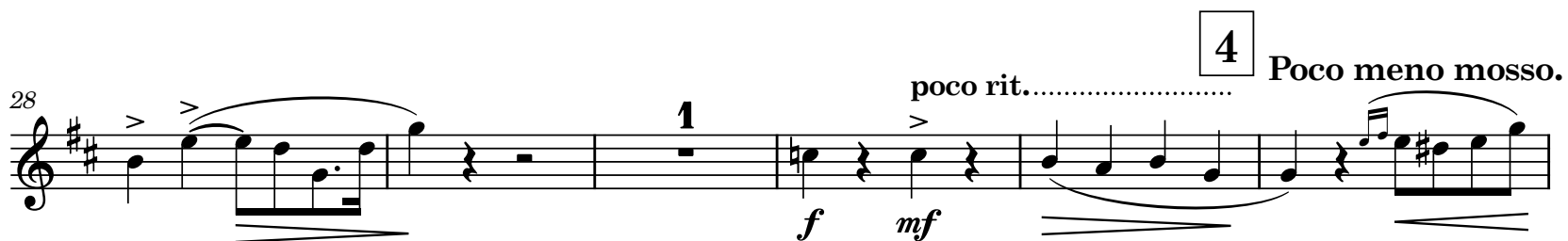
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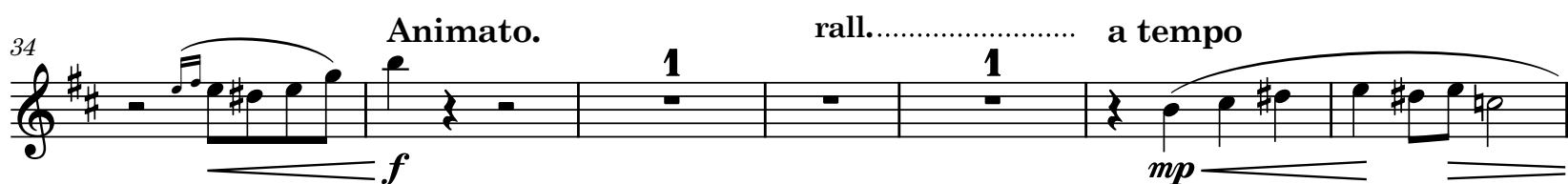
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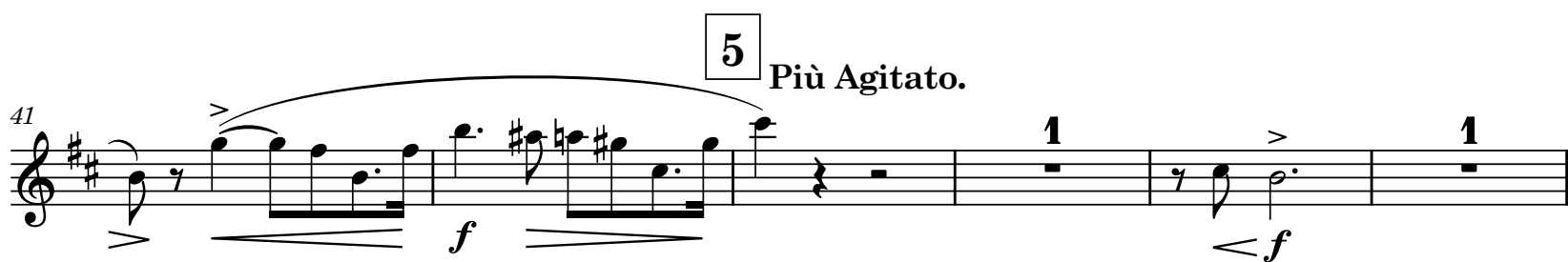
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sf *f*

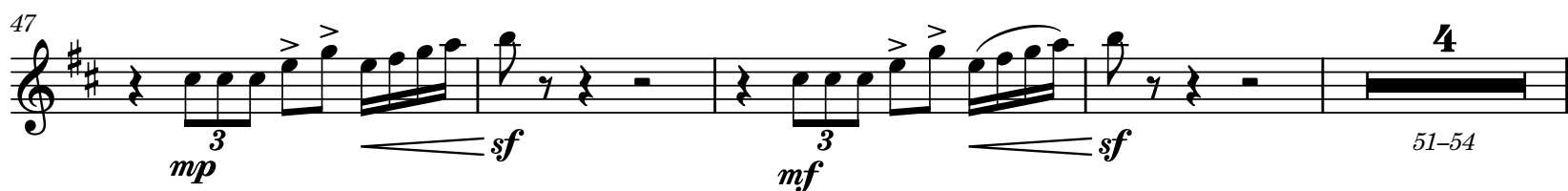
16 
f *mf* Più tranquillo

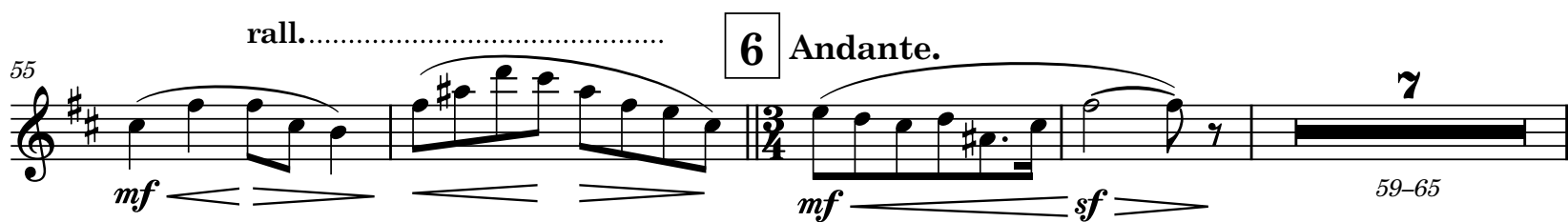
21 
mp 22-23 *p* *f* *f*

28 
f *mf* poco rit..... Poco meno mosso.

34 
f *mp* Animato. rall..... a tempo

41 
f *< f* Più Agitato.

47 
mp *sf* *mf* *sf* 51-54

55 
mf *mf* *sf* 59-65 6 Andante.

66 rit..... a tempo **7** Poco più moto. 1

73 poco rit..... a tempo 1

81 1

88 2 89-90 mp pp mf 95-96 pp

98 accel..... rall..... sf mf p mp

106 **8** a tempo 1

113 mp pp

120 **9** Poco più mosso. 3 122-124 mf f rit.....

129 **a tempo**

mf *mp* **10**

135 **poco rit..... a tempo**

p *sf* **2** **6** 139-140 141-146

147

mp *cresc.* *sf* **3** 150-152

153 **11** a tempo

accel..... rall. rall.....

mf *cresc.* *ff* *mp*

160

p *mp*

166

rall. poco a poco

f *mf* *mp* *pp*

173 **Allegro.**

mp

180

mf

185 **12** poco rit.....

dim. *p*

191 **12** a tempo

pp *mp* *f*

194-205

13

209

p *ff*

211-215

220 *poco a poco accelerando*

mf

227 **Poco più mosso.**

228-231 232-235 *mp*

240 *rit.....* **14** *a tempo*

p 242-243 *mp* *pp* 3

247

mf *mp* 252-255

256 **15**

257-258 *p*

264-267 **4** 270-274 **5**

mp

278 *rall.....*

f *mf* *dim.*

286 *morendo*

p 291-292

17

18

19

Allegro.

20

accel.

Poco più mosso.

Molto Allegro.

To Cl. in A

362-363

rall.....

Allegro furioso.

pesante

21

Cl. in A

364-365 366-368 *sf*

374 *sf*

380 *sf*

386 *sf* 388-389 *mf*

392 *mf* *f*

399-405 *ff* 410-423

Poco più mosso.

23

14

424 *f* *sff* *f* *rall.*

431 *sff* *Meno mosso.* *sf* *mf*

434-435

439 *mp* *dim. e rall.* *mp*

442-449

454 *pp* *9* *8* *24 Poco meno mosso.* *accel.*

455-463 464-471

Now steel thy heart, thou

25 Tempo Allegro moderato.

476 *mp* *Fl. 1*

wo - man - heart - ed one !

484 *p* *mf* *mf*

491 *mp* *dim.* *mp*

497 *mf* *26* *Molto moderato.*

rall.

504

p *mp*

512

27

1

mp

518

mf *f* *f* *mf*

28

3

525-527

1

f

534

29

accel..... Poco più mosso. accel.....

3 3 3

mp *p* *mp* *sf*

mp *p* *mp* *sf*

541

Più mosso. rit..... rall. Tempo molto Moderato.

sf *mf* *ff* *sff*

sf *mf* *ff* *sff*

549

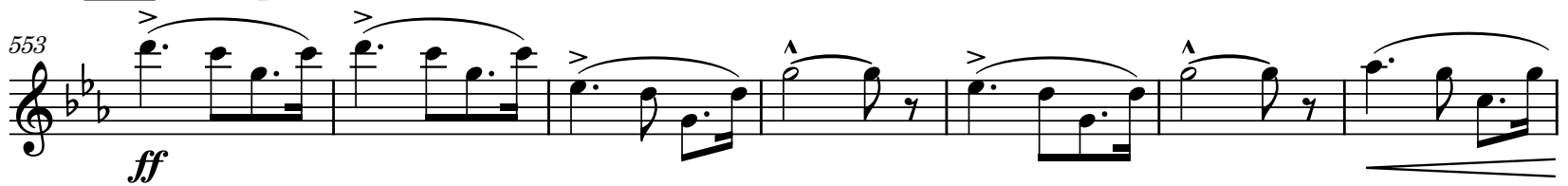
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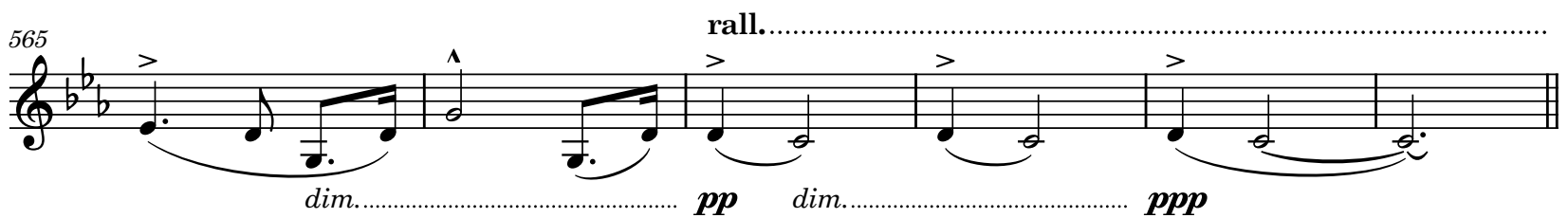
551-552

sff

30 a tempo



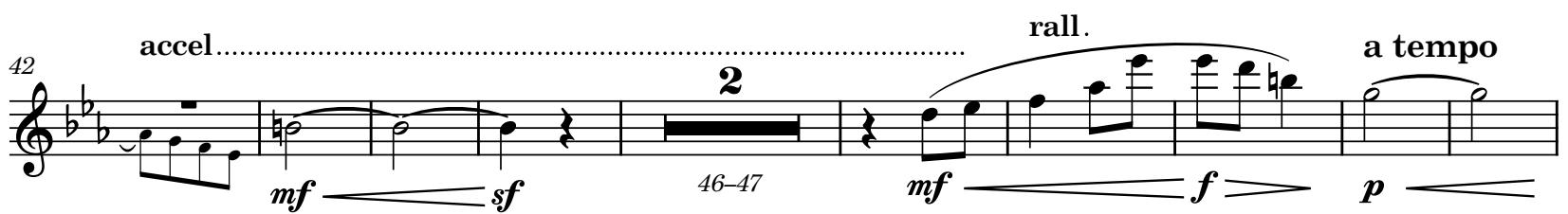
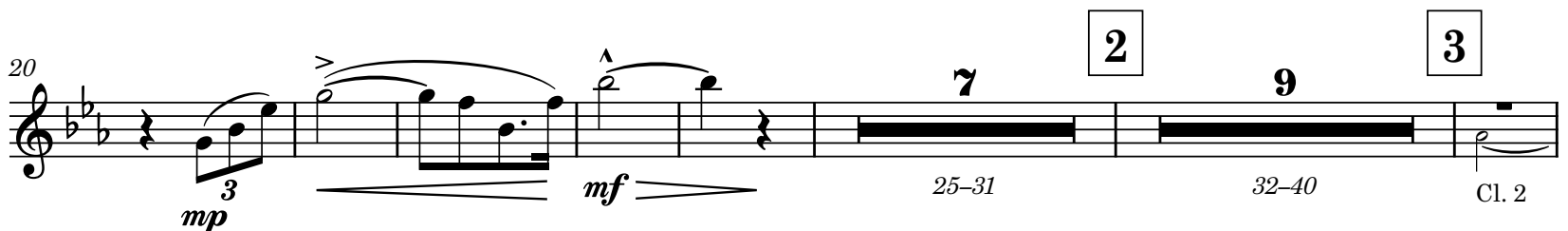
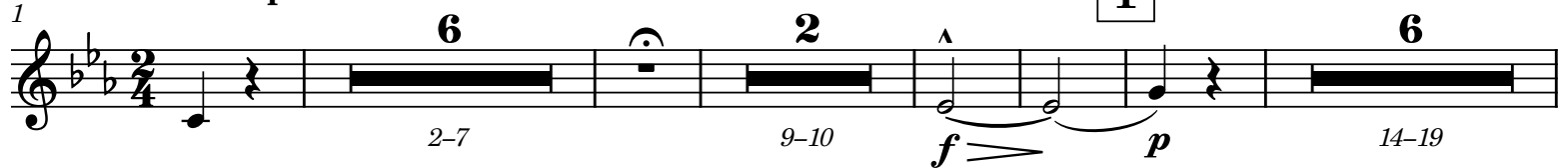
Largamente.



Cl. in A

Lento molto espressivo.

EPILOGUE



83 **6** rall..... poco agitato **4** molto accel.

f *mf* *cresc. poco a poco*

87-90

7 rall..... a tempo

ff *mf* *dim.*

103 **8** **5**

p *p* *pp*

105-107 112-116

117 **9** **3**

mf *mf* *cresc.*

120-122

10 a tempo **9** **4**

mf *fp sub.*

128-136 141-144

145 rall.....

mp

152 **11** a tempo **1** **2**

ppp

157-158

159

p *fp* *mp* *sf* *f*

169

cresc. *sf* *ff*

12 *largamente*

6

177

pp *mp*

13 *a tempo*

rall.

1 2

183-184

187

pp

Morendo

tr *b* *(b)* *rall.*



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