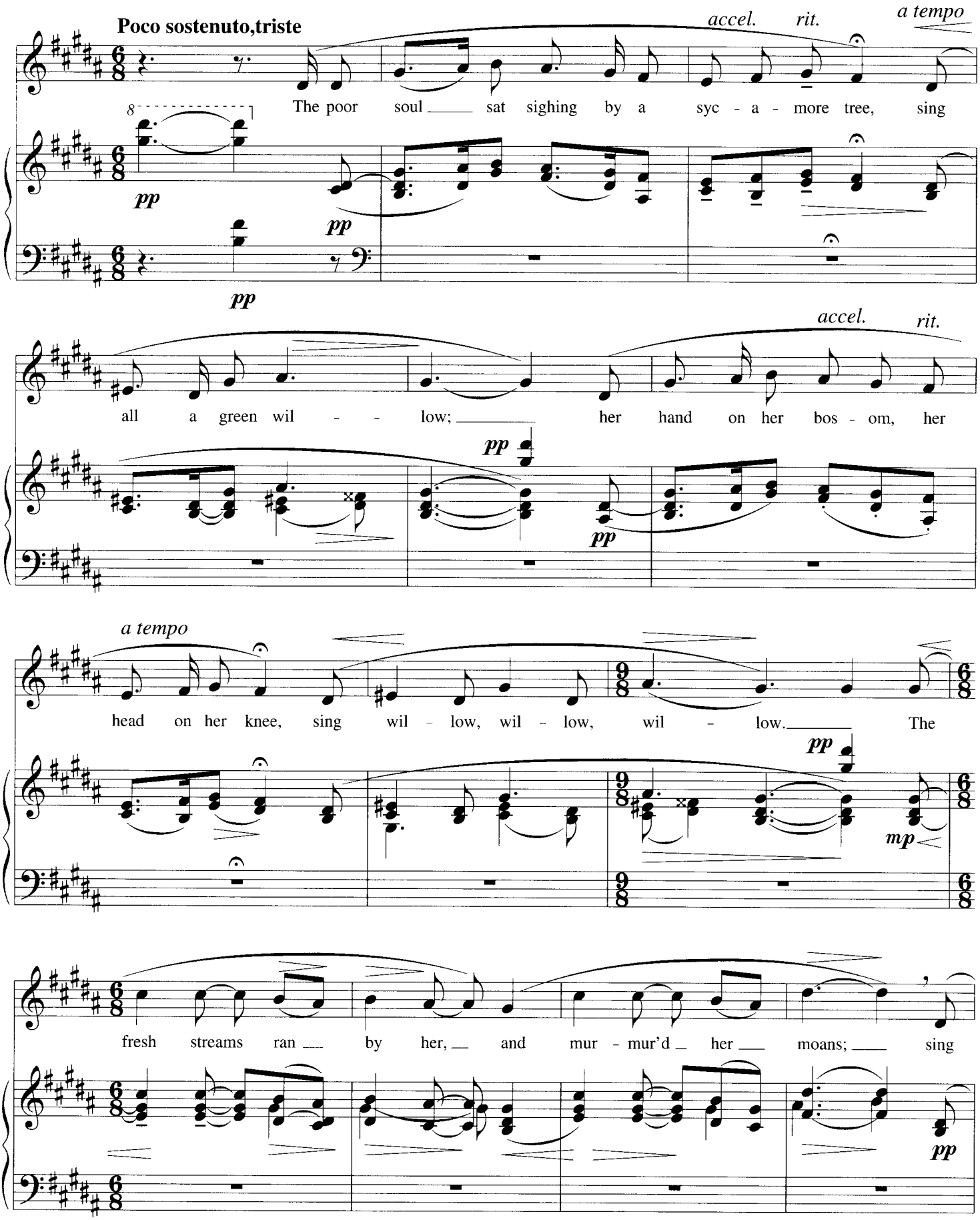
Four Songs
op.31

1. Desdemona's Song



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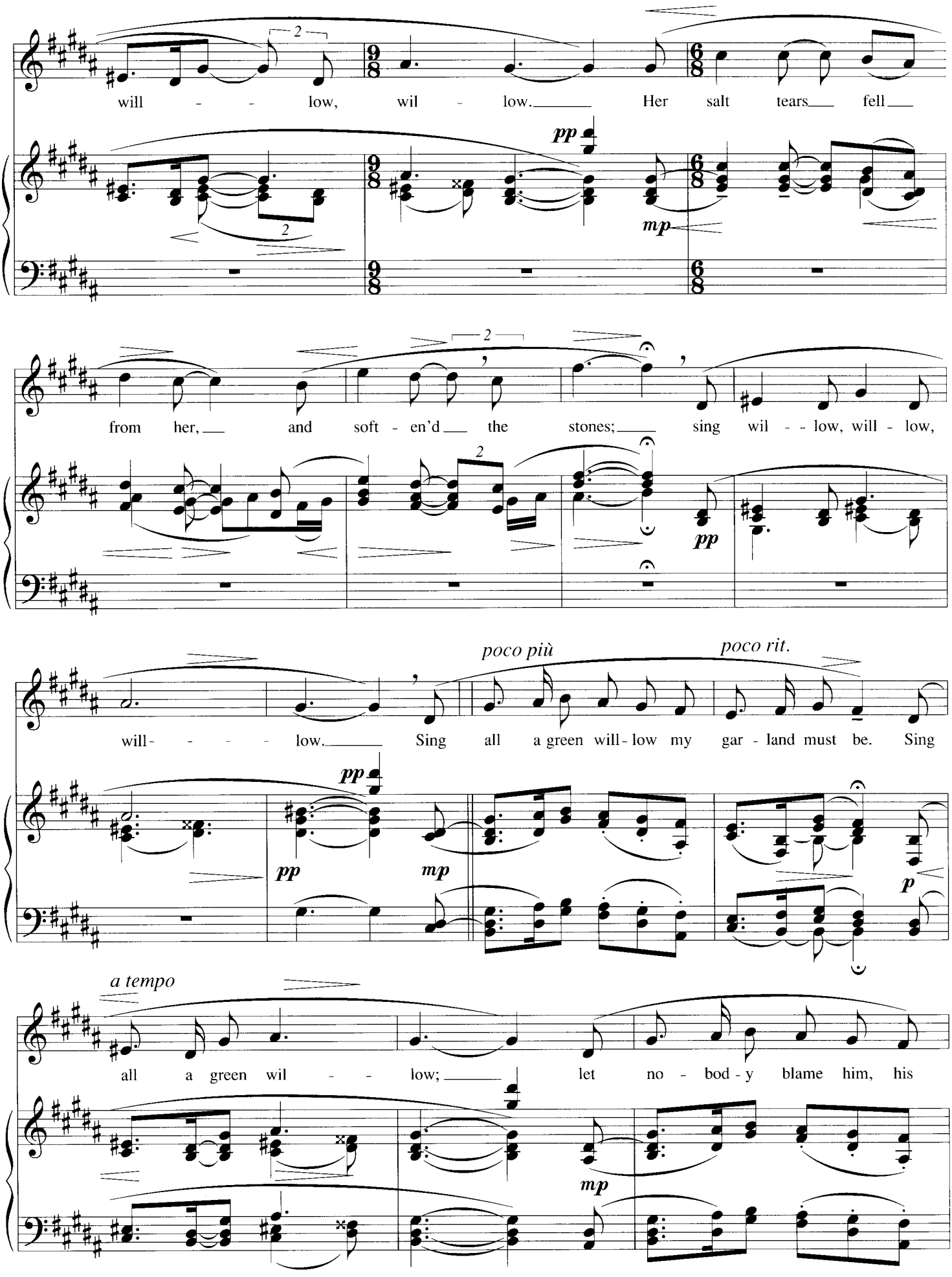
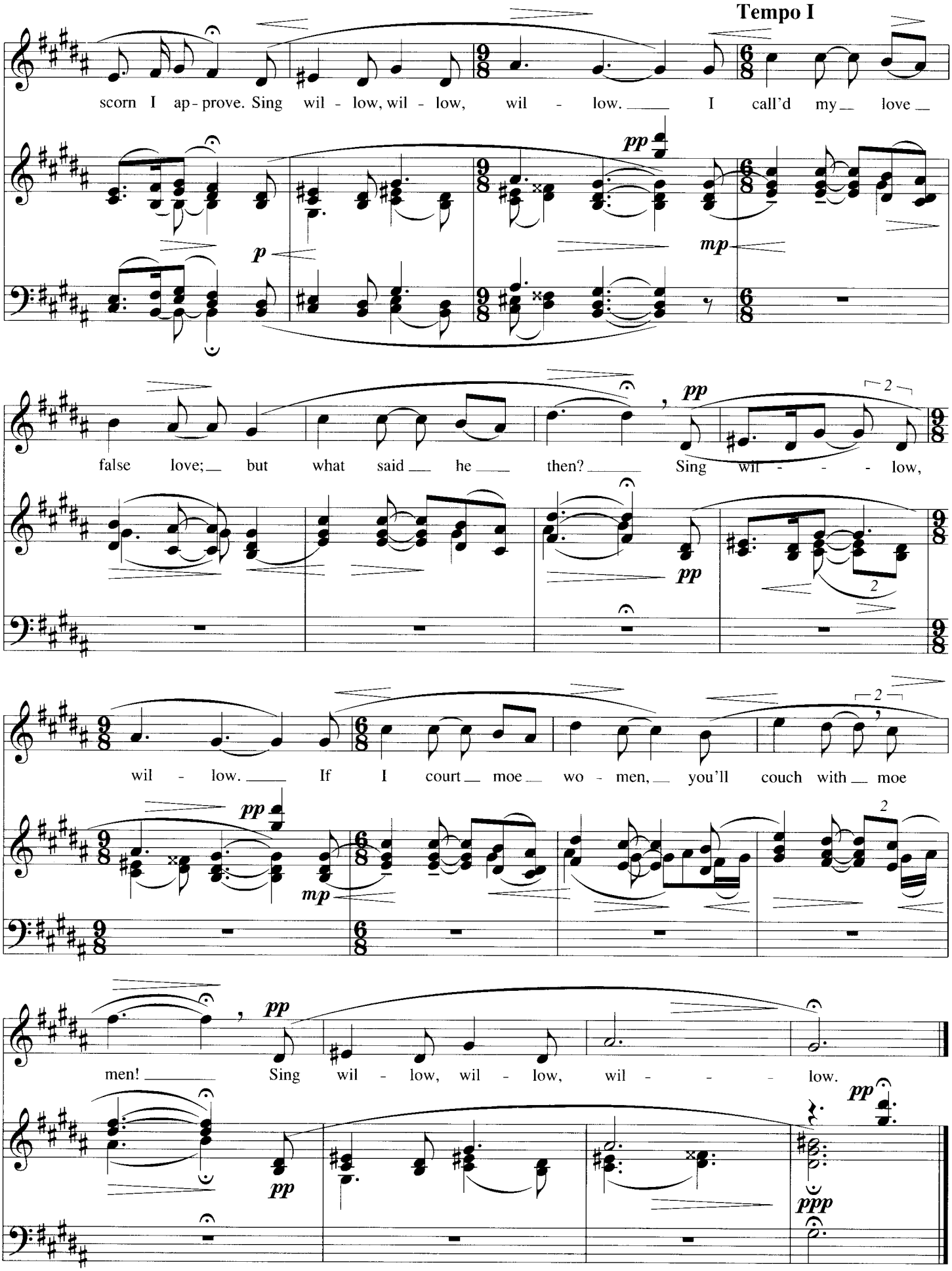
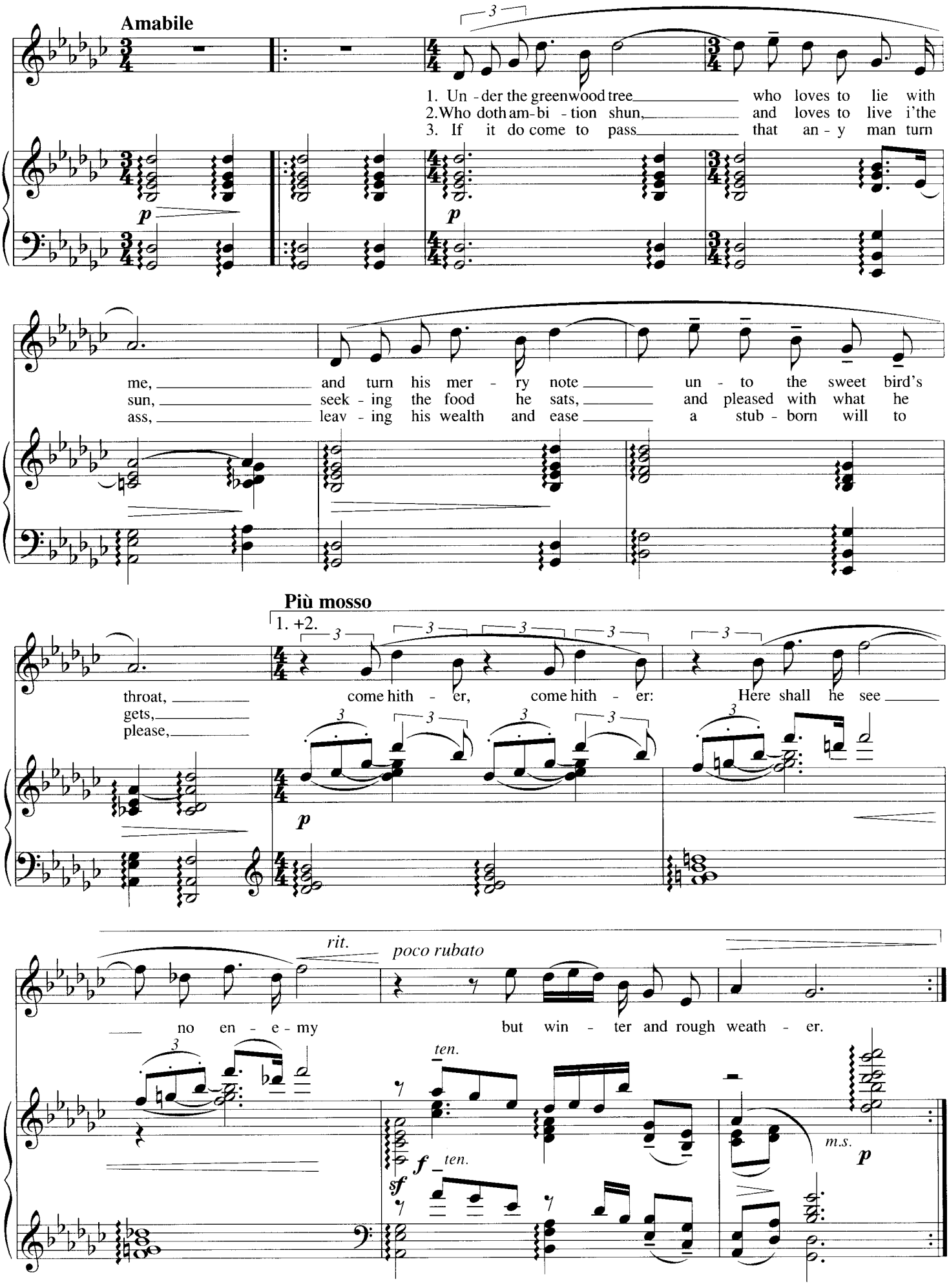
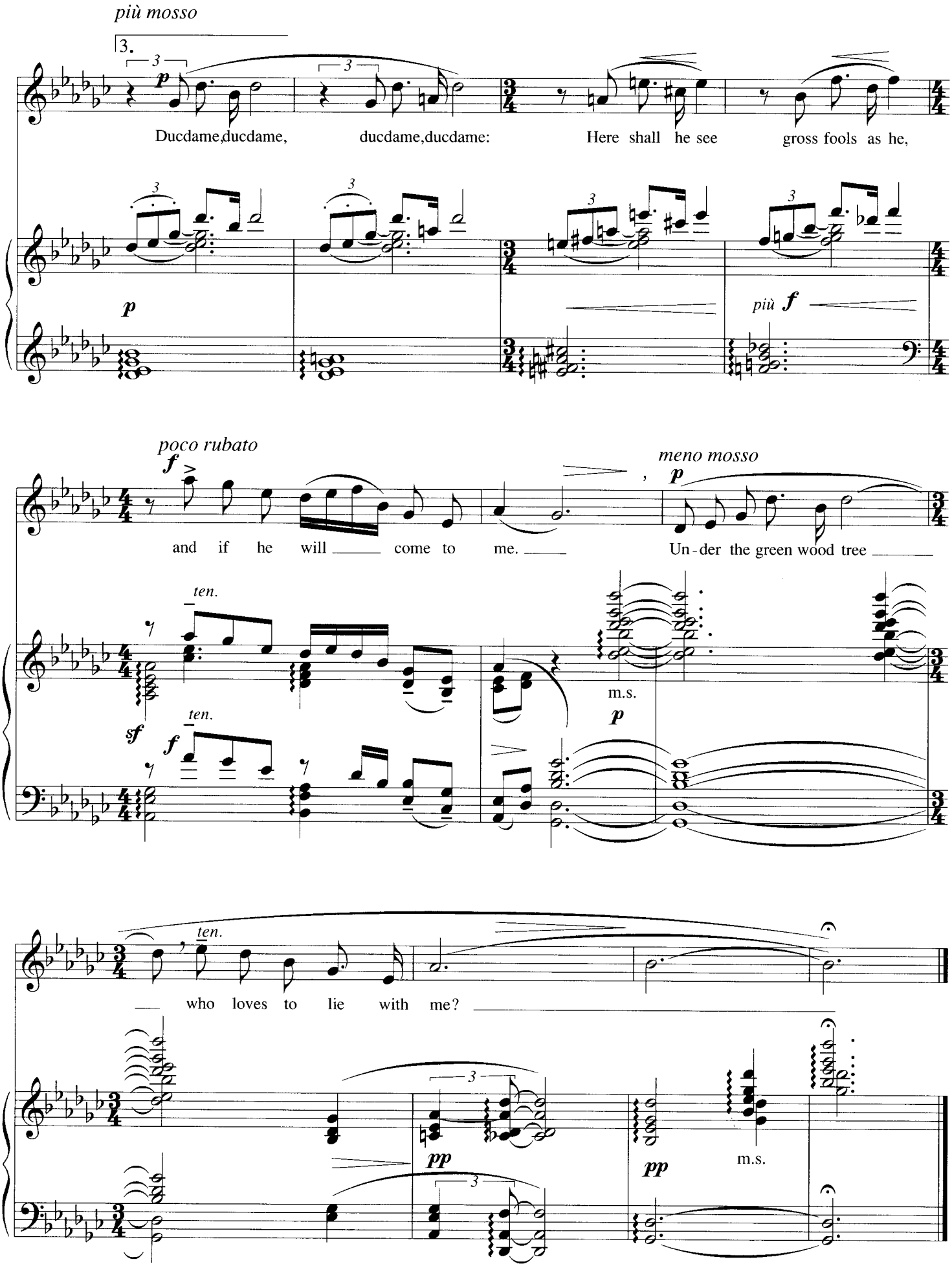

will - - low, wil - low. Her salt tears fell
pp
mp
from her, and soft - en'd the stones; sing wil - - low, will - low,
pp
poco più
poco rit.
will - - - - low. Sing all a green will - low my gar - land must be. Sing
pp
pp
mp
p
a tempo
all a green wil - - low; let no - bod - y blame him, his
mp

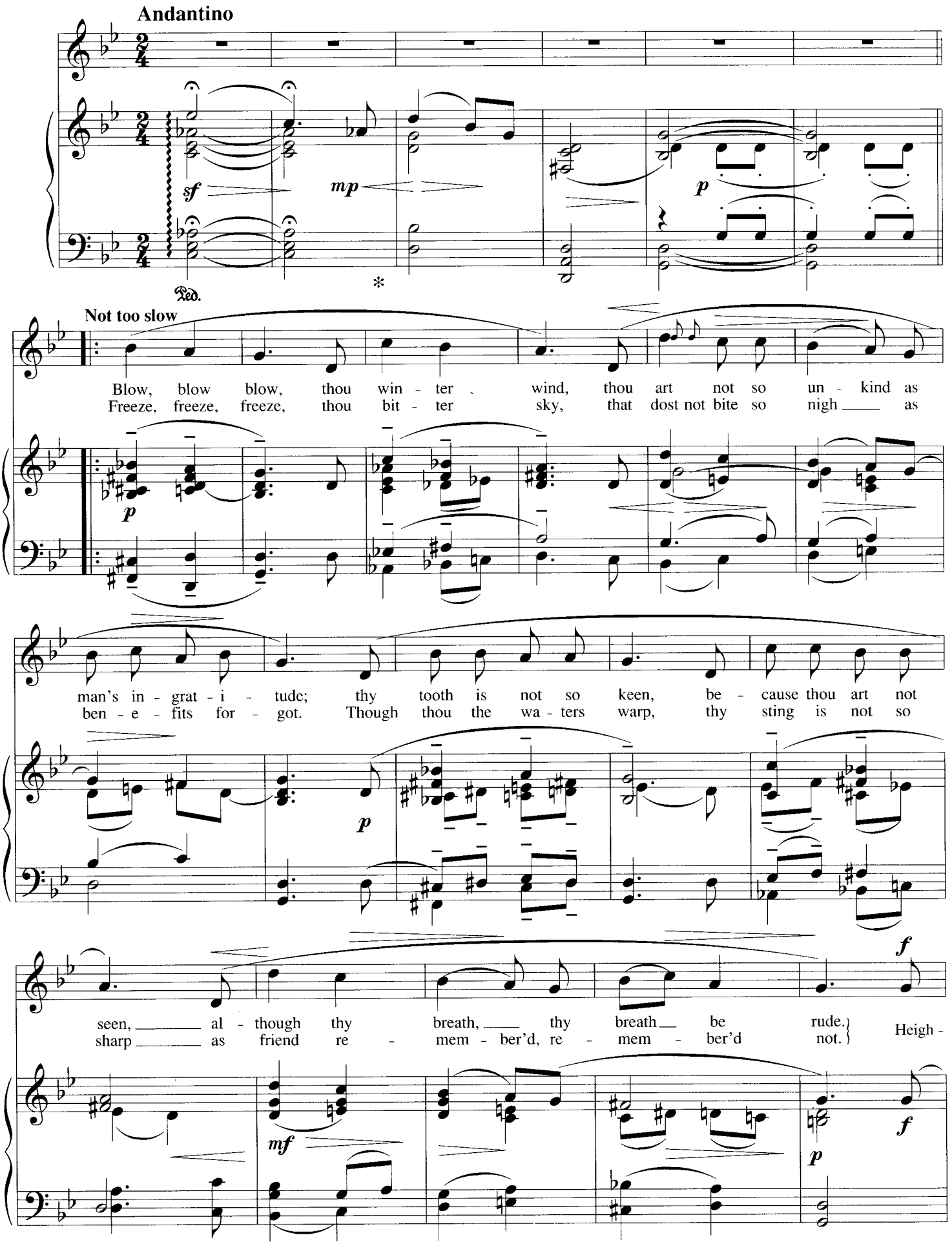

Tempo I
scorn I ap - prove. Sing wil - low, wil - low, wil - low. I call'd my love
false love; but what said he then? Sing wil - - - low,
wil - low. If I court moe wo - men, you'll couch with moe
men! Sing wil - low, wil - low, wil - - - low.
p
mp
pp
ppp

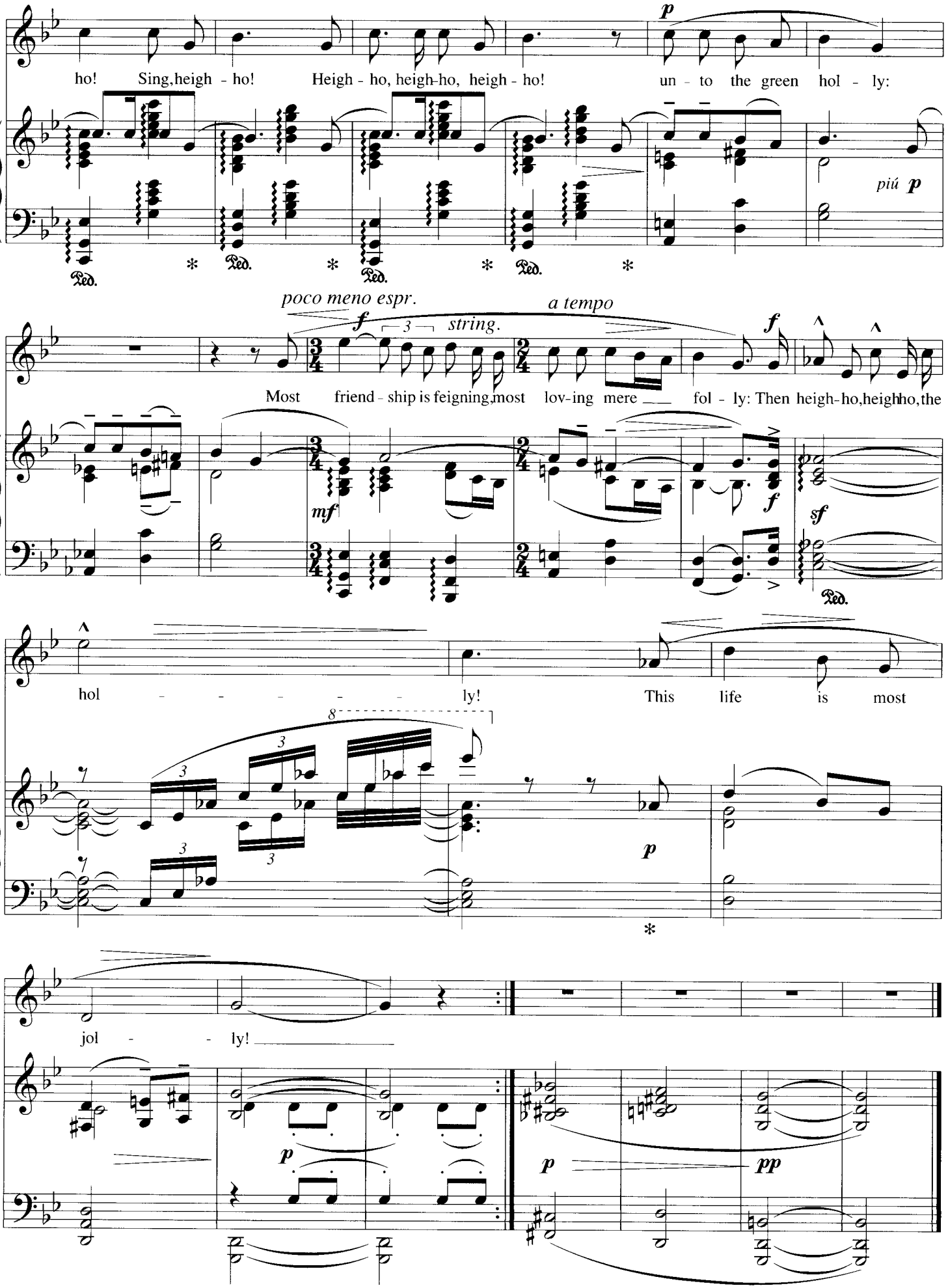
2. Under the Greenwood Tree



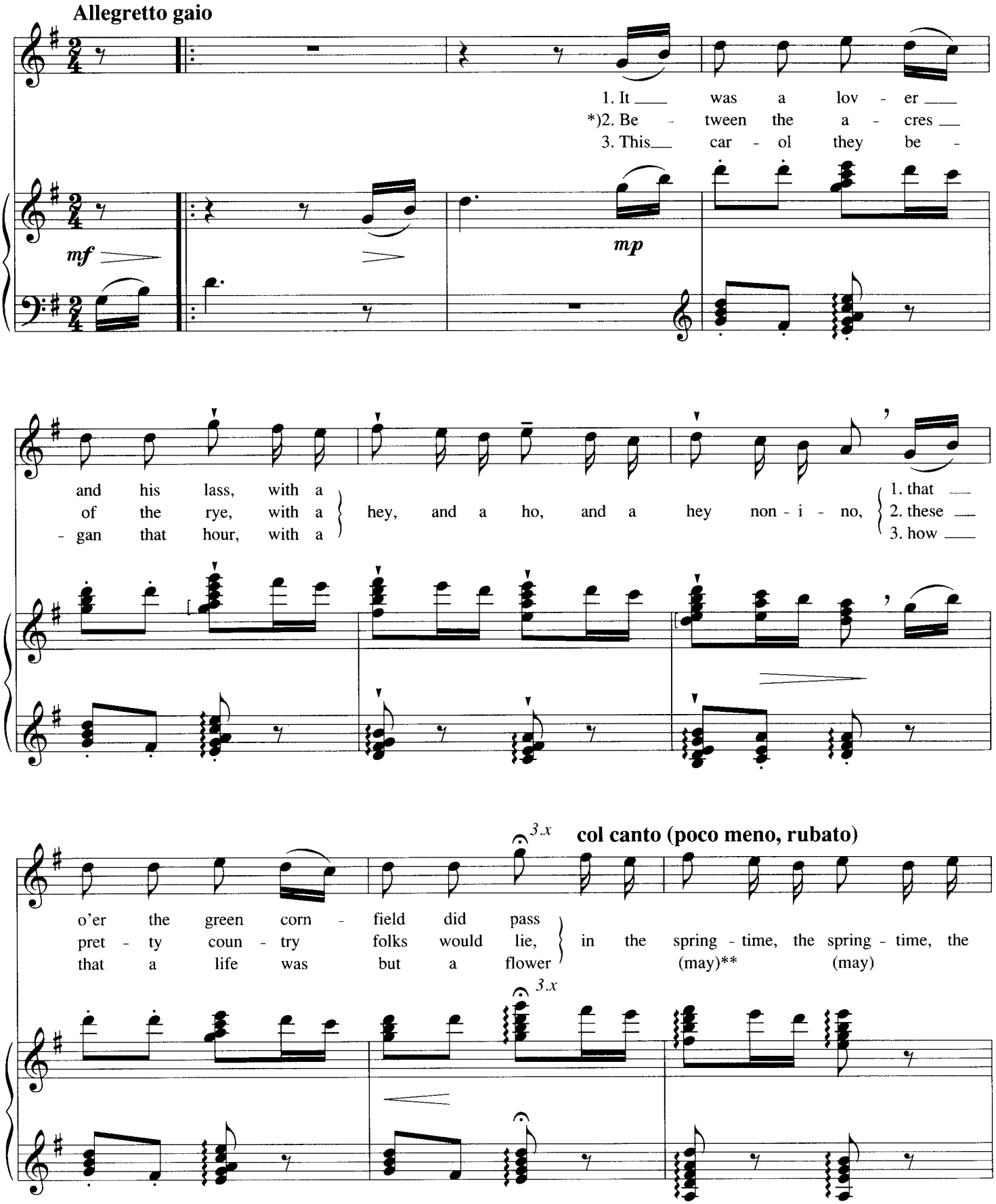

più mosso
3.
p
Ducdame, ducdame, ducdame, ducdame: Here shall he see gross fools as he,
più f
poco rubato
f
and if he will come to me.
meno mosso
p
Un-der the green wood tree
ten.
sf
f
m.s.
p
ten.
who loves to lie with me?
pp
pp
m.s.

3. Blow, Blow, Thou Winter Wind



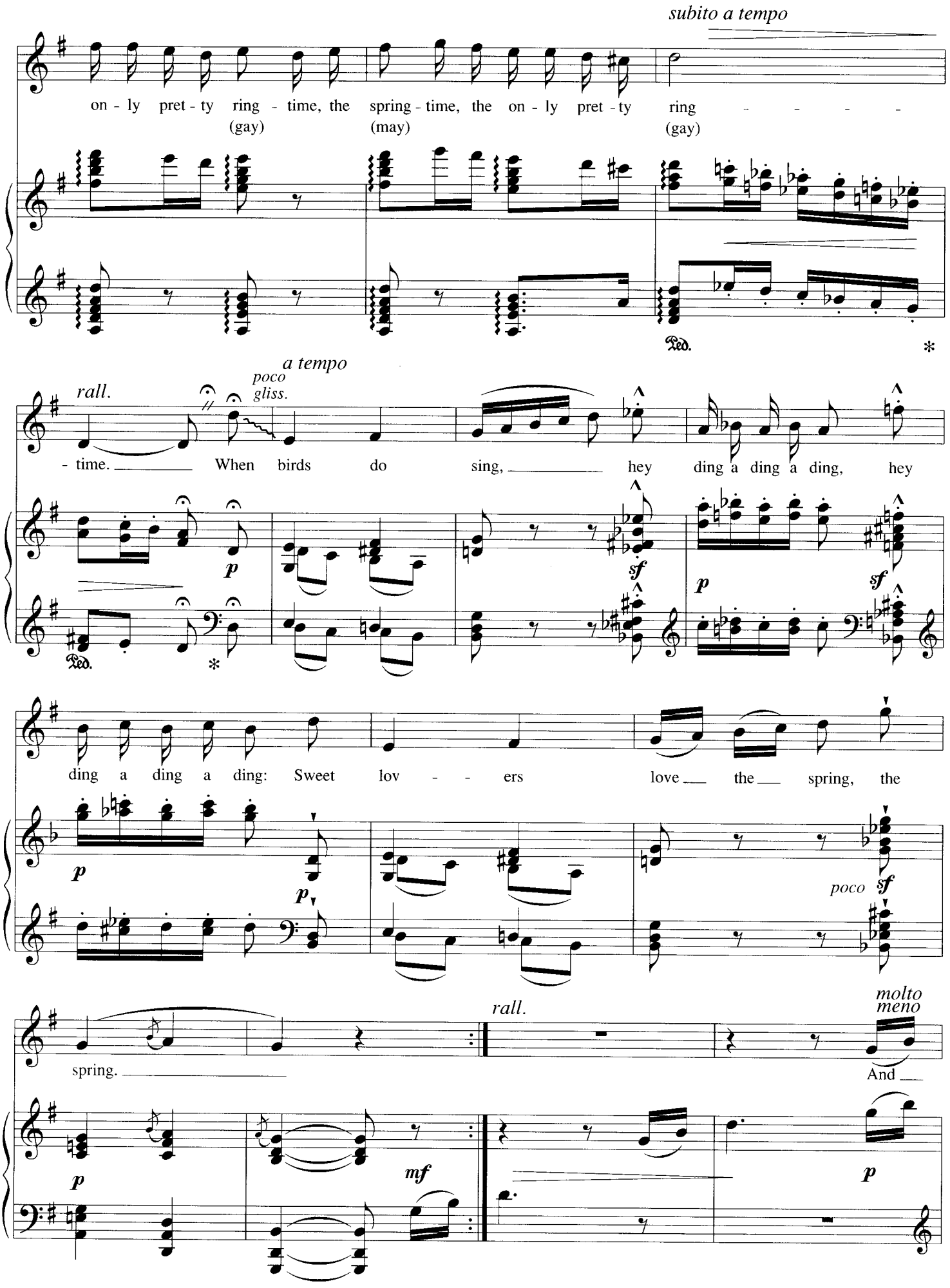

ho! Sing, heigh - ho! Heigh - ho, heigh-ho, heigh - ho! un - to the green hol - ly:
p
piú p
Ped.
poco meno espr.
a tempo
f
string.
Most friend - ship is feigning, most lov-ing mere fol - ly: Then heigh-ho, heigh ho, the
mf
f
sf
hol - - - - - ly! This life is most
8
jol - - ly!
pp

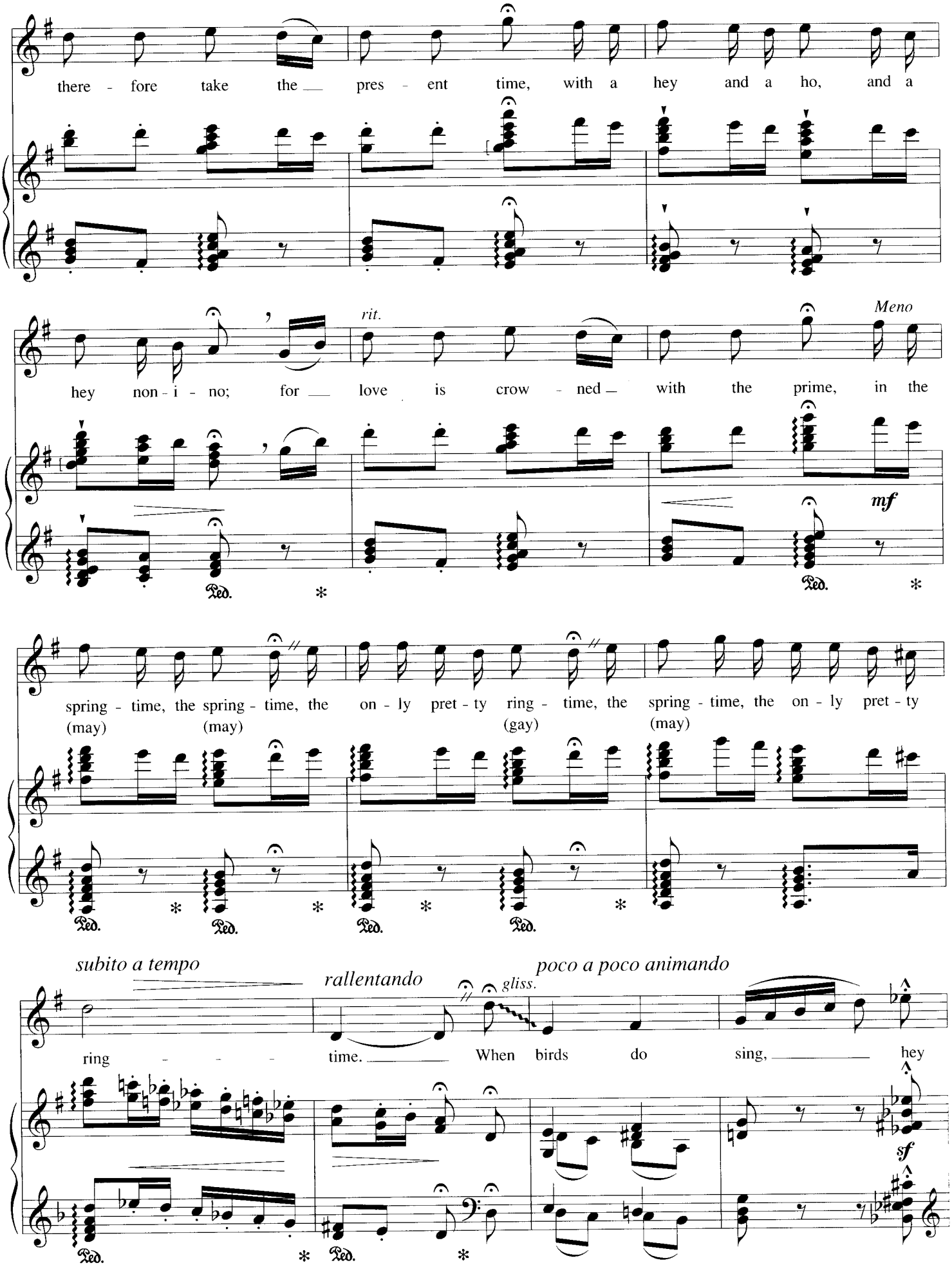
4. When Birds Do Sing

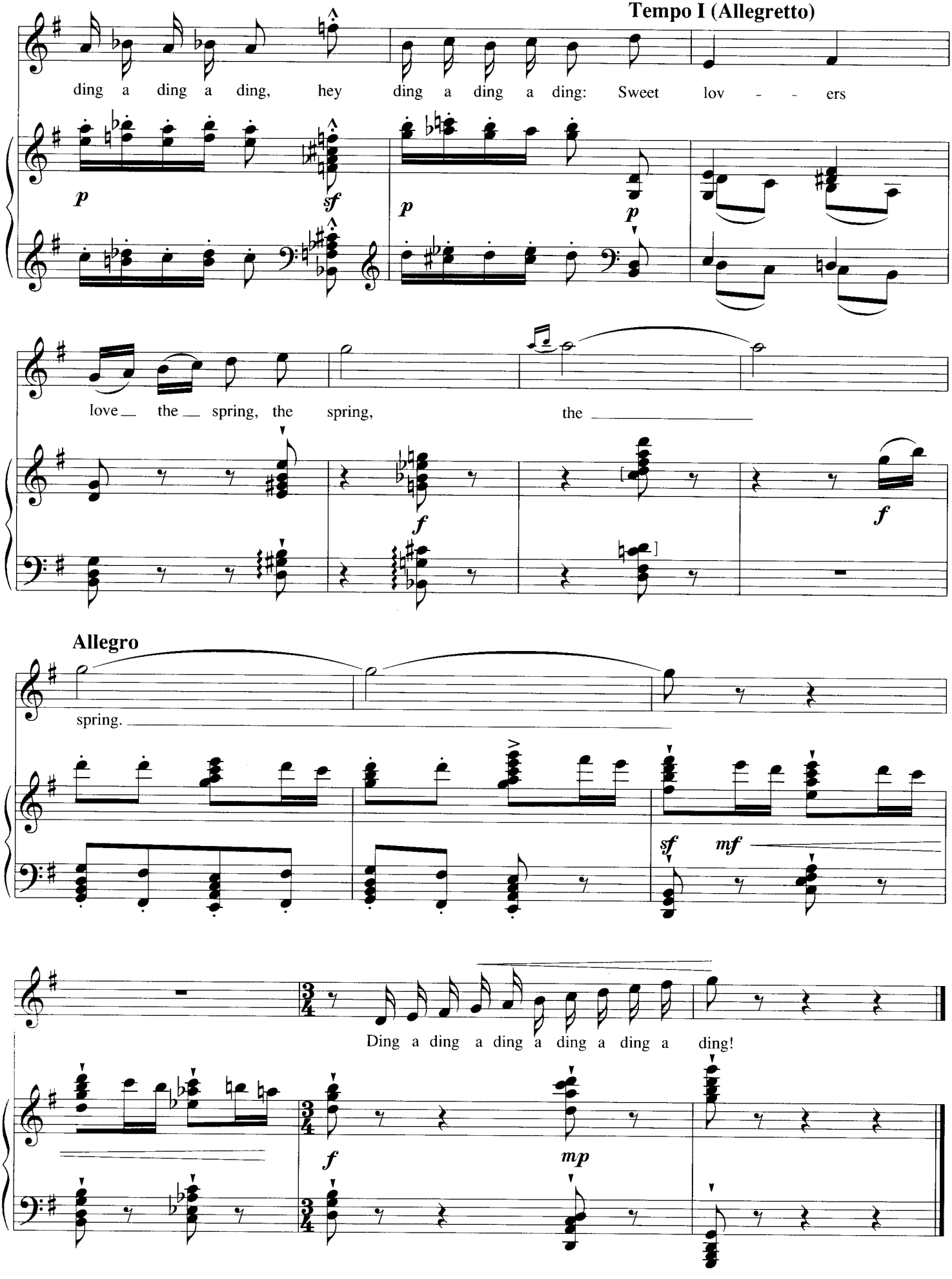


*) For the Concert Stage it might be preferable to omit the second verse.

**) The original words are "springtime" and "ringtime". The singer may, however, prefer to substitute "maytime" and "gaytime".


subito a tempo
on - ly pret - ty ring - time, the spring - time, the on - ly pret - ty ring - - - - -
(gay) (may) (gay)
Ped.
*
rall.
poco gliss.
a tempo
- time. When birds do sing, hey ding a ding a ding, hey
p
sf
p
sf
Ped.
*
ding a ding a ding: Sweet lov - - ers love the spring, the
p
p
poco sf
rall.
molto meno
spring. And
p
mf
p


there - fore take the pres - ent time, with a hey and a ho, and a
rit.
Meno
hey non - i - no; for love is crow - ned with the prime, in the
mf
spring - time, the spring - time, the on - ly pret - ty ring - time, the spring - time, the on - ly pret - ty
(may) (may) (gay) (may)
subito a tempo
rallentando
gliss.
poco a poco animando
ring time. When birds do sing, hey
sf


Tempo I (Allegretto)
ding a ding a ding, hey ding a ding a ding: Sweet lov - - ers
love the spring, the spring, the
Allegro
spring.
Ding a ding a ding a ding a ding a ding!