

# On hearing “The Last Rose of Summer”

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Slow, with Melancholy ( $\text{♩} = 50-60$ )

Voice

Piano

Slow, with Melancholy ( $\text{♩} = 50-60$ ) That strain a - gain? It seems to

tell Of some-thing like a joy de-part-ed; I love its mourn-ing ac-cent well,

Like voice of one, ah! bro-ken-heart-ed. That

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note — that pen-sive dies a - way, And can each an-swer-ing thrill a - wak - en,

It sad - ly, wild - ly, seems to say, Thy meek - heart morns its truth — for -

sak - en. Or there was one who nev - er more Shall

*p* cresc.

meet thee with the looks of glad-ness, When all — of hap - pier life was

*cresc.*

dim. *mf* o'er, When first be - gan thy night— of sad - ness. Sweet

*dim.*

mourn - er, cease that melt-ing strain, Too well it suits the grave's cold slum-bers;

*p*

Too— well the heart— that loved in vain

Breathes, lives, and— weeps in those wild num-bers.