

BY THE LAKE

Poem by Ethel Clifford.

SONG
To be sung by Madame Clara Butt

Music by Liza Lehmann.

Lento

p

Voice

My son my little son — we two will rest Beside the water red in sunset

p tranquillo e dolce assai
piano forte

light. And watch the evening fade, — the lake grow grey. Until the moonisen- chant - ment

cresc poco piu mosso

fills — the night. Who knows what sombre fate stands near us now, What rich-robed destiny no eye can scan,

cresc poco piu mosso

f poco accell *poco ritenu* 3

scented-sandalled Love? — Ah! — son of mine, Play not with love when you are grown a man. Reign nothing & love greatly when ^{you}

poco accell

love And having chosen, till the end be true. So shall one woman out of all the world Keep faith in

v p poco a poco cresc (sostenuto)

poco a poco cresc

man by keep - ing faith in you —————— poco accell rall mf ad lib
 The world says: Promise little & no
 poco accell rall mf
 colla voce

thought of faith unfaithful holds you from your sleep. f piu mosso marcato assai cresc molto
 So rots the world. So rots the world. Nay
 piu mosso
 marcato assai

rather be it yours to promise greatly. And your promise keep. sempre cresc
 ff molto rall

I ma tempo (lento) pp
 Night comes the moon is full —————— the quiet lake lies listening to the laughter of its streams. Lean close against my
 subito pp

Sempre dim poco calando
 ppp a tempo morendo

heart — Above your head my brooding thoughts shall weave a web of dreams.
 poco calando sempre dim
 ppp a tempo morendo

Liza Lehmann