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À
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Andantino.

1. The rising moon has hid the stars; Her level rays, like golden bars, Lie on the landscape green, With shadows brown between. And silver white the river gleams, As sleeping in the grove, He dreamed not of her love, Like Diana's kiss, unasked, unsought, Love gives itself, but is not bought; Nor voice, nor sound betrays Its deep, impassioned gaze.

2. On such a tranquil night as this, She woke Endymion with a kiss, When the landscape green, With shadows brown between, And silver white the river gleams, As sleeping in the grove, He dreamed not of her love, Like Diana's kiss, unasked, unsought, Love gives itself, but is not bought; Nor voice, nor sound betrays Its deep, impassioned gaze.
It comes—the beautiful, the free, The crown of all humanity, In silence and alone To seek the elect one, O, weary hearts! O, slumbering eyes! O, kisses the closed eyes Of him, who slumbering lies.

Drooping souls, whose destinies Are fraught with fear and pain, Ye shall be loved again! No
one is so accursed by fate, No one so utterly desolate, But some heart, though unknown, Resigned unto his own. Responds, as if with unseen wings, An angel touched its quivering strings, And whispers in its song, "Where hast thou stayed so long?"