

MONA SPINNING.

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Music by MARY CARMICHAEL.

VOICE. *Allegretto.* *p* The woods are black be - hind and be - fore, The

PIANO. *mf* *p*

sun - shine li - eth a - sleep on the floor, And the rose is just be - gin - - ning

M.S.

p From the bush at the win - dow all red to start, And I

say, as I look on it, That is my heart!..... For

cres. *f* *mf*

cres. *f* *accel.* *a tempo.*

mf out on the grass by the o - pen door, My lit - tle love sits spin - ning.

The musical score is written for voice and piano. The key signature is three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and the time signature is common time (C). The piece is marked 'Allegretto'. The piano part features a complex, rhythmic accompaniment with many sixteenth and thirty-second notes. The voice part has a melodic line with lyrics. Performance markings include dynamics (p, mf, f, cres., accel., a tempo.) and a 'M.S.' (Musical Setting) marking. The lyrics are: 'The woods are black behind and before, The sunshine lieth a-sleep on the floor, And the rose is just beginning From the bush at the window all red to start, And I say, as I look on it, That is my heart!..... For out on the grass by the open door, My little love sits spinning.'

All in the shade, where the sloe - berries grow,

Li - eth a wa - ter slug - gish and low, And the li - ly is just be - gin - ning To o - pen her white leaves

M.S.

hour by hour;— I am the sul-len pond, she is the flow - er— I am the sul-len pond, she is the flow - er, the

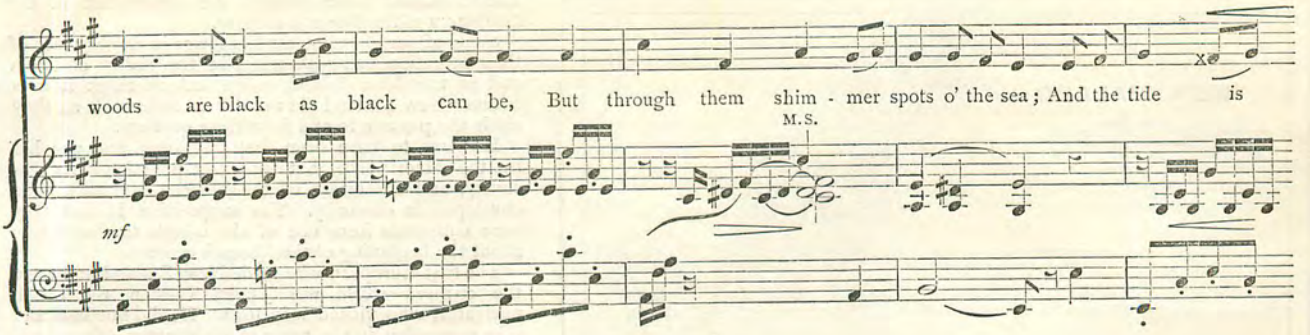
flower !..... And my thoughts fall al - way pure as snow, Where my

lit - tle love sits spin - ning. The

woods are black as black can be, But through them shimmer spots o' the sea; And the tide is

M.S.

mf



just be - gin - ning : There li - eth a shell on the

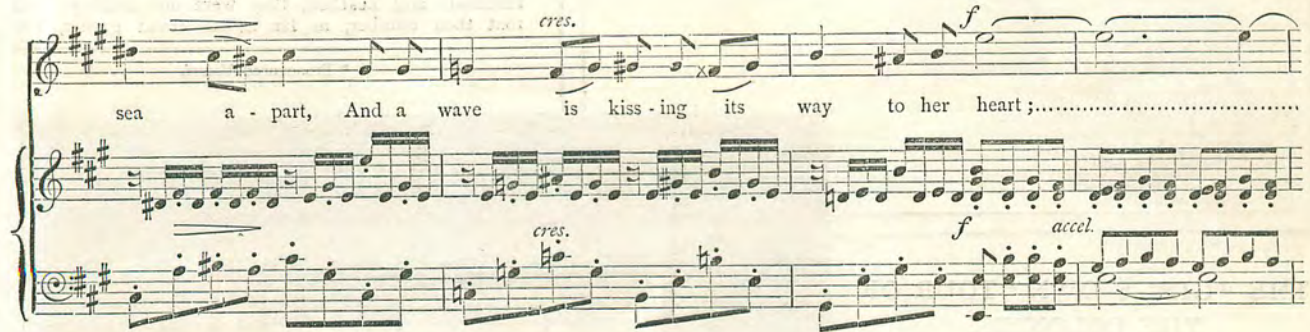
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sea a - part, And a wave is kiss - ing its way to her heart;.....

cres. *f*

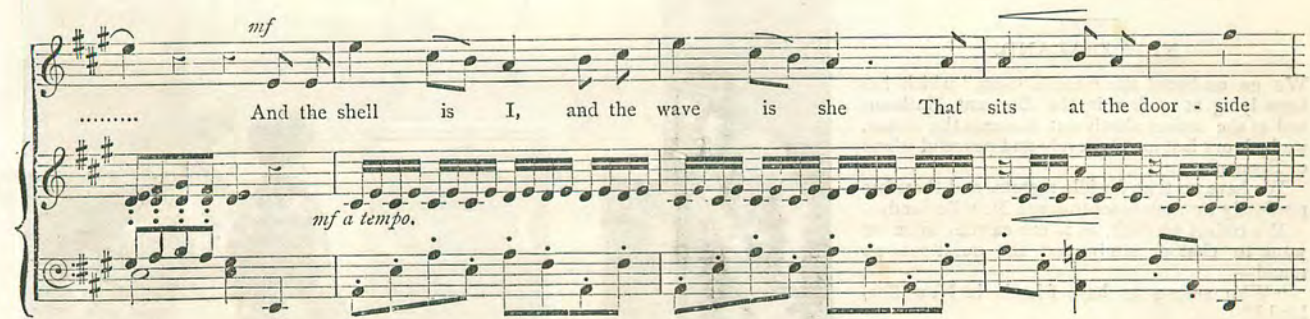
cres. *f* *accel.*



..... And the shell is I, and the wave is she That sits at the door - side

mf

mf a tempo.



spin - - ning.

mf *f*

