



Sweetly are the Wild Birds Singing.

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VOICE.

Andante e piano.

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1. Sweet-ly are the wild birds sing -
 2. Ah! how long ere pa - tient wait -

PIANO.

ing, Soft - ly purls the sil - - - v'ry rill,
 ing, Wait - ing that to bear..... is hard,

Yet, though all a - round is love - ly, I am lone - ly,
 Finds in love that can - - not al - - ter,

rallentando.

Bliss though all a round is love-ly, I am lone-ly,
 that is..... a..... full re-ward.....

poco piu animato.

I am lone-ly still! Vain-ly sun-beams spread be-fore me,
 lone-ly still! Soon, aye soon, or life will van-ish,

Vain-ly flow'rs their scents im-part;..... I am lone-ly,
 Hope on wea-ried wings de-part;..... Soon, or else de-

de-so-la-tion Reigns su-preme with-in my heart!
 - spair will si-lence Beat-ings of this wea-ry heart!

Vain - ly are the wild birds sing - ing, Vain - ly purl the sil - v'ry rill;...
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rit. *tempo.*
 For though all a - round is love - ly, I am lone - ly, lone - ly still,
 For though all a - round is love - ly, I am lone - ly, lone - ly still,

1st Verse. *rall.*
 though all a - round is love - ly, I am lone - ly, lone - ly still.
 though all a - round is love - ly,

2nd Verse. *rall.*
 I am lone - ly, lone - - - - ly still.
colla voce.