

To a Thrush Singing.

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VOICE.

PIANO.

Allegretto. p *pp*

1. What is it, bird of
3. "Soft falls the ra-diant

sweet-ness, Free child of wood and dell, Whence is it, whence the mys-te-ry?
sun-shine On all the em-e-rald earth, And summer's wealth and au-tumn's stores 'To-

Oh! if thou canst, pray tell. What is it, bird of sweet-ness,
- day have come to birth! Soft falls the ra-diant sun-shine

Free child of wood and dell, Whence is it, whence the mys-te-ry?
On all the em-e-rald earth, Sum-mer's wealth and au-tumn's stores To-

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Oh! if thou canst, pray tell :..... How is it that thy roun - de - lay Is
 - day have come to birth !..... Where - fore my song is blithe and gay, As

al - ways blithe and gay? Whence is it, whence is it,
 should be that of May! Where - fore my song is blithe,

whence the mys - te - ry,..... That thy roun - de - lay is
 blithe and gay,..... Where - fore..... my song is

al - ways blithe and gay;..... How is it that thy roun - de - lay Is al - ways blithe and
 blithe and gay,..... As should be that which hails the May, As that which hails the

gay? May!" *Un poco più mosso.* 2. Oh! this is the sweet

FINE.

se - cret I seem to hear thee sing: "I drive the win - ter from the land, And

hail the face of spring; I drive the win - ter from the land, And hail the face of

spring: And flow - ers laugh a - round to - day,..... And

so my song is blithe and gay;..... Flow - ers laugh a -

- round to - day, So my song is blithe and gay.....

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