

# SILENT NOON

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**VOICE** *Largo sostenuto* *mf*

Your hands lie

**PIANO** *mp sonore* *simile*

o - pen in the long fresh grass, The fin - ger

points look through like ro - sy blooms. Your eyes smile

*pp* *pp*

*fin* \*

*Poco*

peace. The pas-ture gleams and glooms 'Neath bil - low-ing

*mf* *cresc.*

skies that scat-ter and a - mass.

*Poco più mosso*

*pp* *simile*

All round our nest, far as the eye can

pass are gold - en king-cup fields with sil - ver

edge, Where the cow - pars - ley skirts the

haw - thorn hedge. *pp poco rall.* 'Tis vis - i-ble si - lence,

*pp* *poco rall.*

\* *Red* \*

still as the hour - glass.

*pp* *Red* \*

Not too fast

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*a tempo*

### Quasi Recitative

Deep in the sun-search'd growths the

*a tempo*

*cresc.*

*pp una corda*

dra - gon-fly —

hangs — like a blue thread loos-en'd from the

sky: —

So — this wing'd

*Tempo I*

hour is dropt to us from a - bove.

*poco rall.* *mf a tempo*

Oh! clasp we to our hearts, for —

*poco rall.* *mf sonore*

death - less dower, This close-com - pan - ion'd in - ar - ti - cu - late

*pp*

hour, When two - fold si - lence was the song, — the —

*pp*

*Love*

song of love.