

LIFE'S AFTERNOON.

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Andantino.



1. Just twen - ty years a - go, my love, Just twen - ty years to -
 2. When Doubt has thrown her spell, my love, You've smiled a - way my
 3. Yet if your beau - ty fades, my love, At chill - ing touch of

The first system of the song features a vocal melody line and a piano accompaniment. The piano part has a steady bass line with chords in the right hand. The lyrics are aligned with the vocal notes.

day, As fair - y blooms a - woke, my love, At nudge of ro - - guish
 fears; When Grief has wailed her dirge, my love, You've kist a - way my
 care, And if the Au - tumn frost, my love, Now steals up - on your

The second system continues the vocal melody and piano accompaniment. The piano part maintains the same harmonic structure, supporting the vocal line.

May, We glad - ly joined our hands, my love, And vowed to go as
 tears; And when my soul was bound, my love, With chains of gaunt De -
 hair, The lil - ies in your heart, my love, Yet bud and burst and

The third system concludes the vocal melody and piano accompaniment. The piano part provides a final harmonic support for the vocal line.

one, A - long the wind - ing path, my love, That ends where life is
spair, You've quick - ly loosed my bonds, my love, With words of hope and
blow, As sweet - ly as they did, my love, A score of years a -

done. When compassed round by cares, my dear, Your faith has been the
prayer. It may per - chance be true, dear one, As friends now sad - ly
go. But well, full well, we know, dear wife, Our Morn has wed the

wand, That cleft, for me, the way, my dear, Thro' seas of dark de -
say, That Time has touched your face, dear one, And tinged your hair with
Noon, For then we left them both, dear wife, Not far from land of

spond; And when the clouds grew dark, my dear, And hid my sky from
gray; And yet, to me, it seems, dear one, That you are fair - er
June; And Eve will short - ly come, dear wife, With step as soft as

view, I yet have found the light, my dear, When safe at home, with you.
now, Than on that blush - ing morn, dear one, We made that ho - ly vow.
light, And gent - ly lead us home, dear wife, To realms be - yond the Night.