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from *Four Songs from the British Isles*

Soprano, Alto, Tenor and Bass

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Four Songs from the
British Isles

Poortith cauld

Words by Robert Burns

Set for four-part
mixed choir by
Michael Tippett

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Adagio poco appassionato rubato (Me. 96)

Soprano
Alto
Tenor
Bass
Piano
(for rehearsal purposes only)

Poor-tith cauld, ah,
And rest-less love,
Poor-tith cauld, and
And
O poor-tith cauld, and
O poor-tith cauld, and
O poor-tith cauld, and
rest-less love, rest-less, rest-less, rest-less love, and

rest - less love, ye wreck my peace be - tween ye; yet...

rest-less love, ye wreck my peace be - tween ye;

rest - less love, ye wreck my peace be - tween ye; yet...

rest-less, rest - less, rest - less love, ... less, rest - less...

poor little a' I could for-give, an' 'twere-na for my Jea-nie. O

I could for-give, an' 'twere-na for my Jea-nie. O

poor little a' I could for-give, an' 'twere-na for my Jea-nie.

love, restless love, rest - less, restless love, O rest-less love,

The sheet music consists of ten staves of musical notation for voice and piano. The vocal parts are in soprano and bass clef, with lyrics written below the notes. The piano part is in bass and treble clef. The music is in common time, with a key signature of one flat. The lyrics describe a restless love that wrecks peace and causes heartbreak. A large, semi-transparent watermark reading "PREVIEW Low Resolution" diagonally across the page.

dolce

why should fate sic ple-a-sure have, life's dear - est bands un - twi - ning? — Or

dolce

why should fate sic ple-a-sure have, life's dear-est bands un - twi - ning? — Or

O why? O why? O why? O why?

dolce

why a flower as love de - pend on For - tune's

sae sweet, sae sweet a flower as love de - pend on Fortune's, for-tune's



shi - ning?—

shi - ning, shi - ning, shi - ning?

f non troppo

Poor-tith cauld,

rest - less, rest - less, rest-less love.

Per - haps it's not so bad, love.

love.

And rest-less love,

rest-less, rest-less, rest-less

and rest-less love.

This —

ah! —

This —

M.M.C.

M.M.C.

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marc.

This world's

wealth,

its pride,

marc.

love.

This world's

wealth,

its pride,

world's— wealth

when _____

I think on,

its pride

and the

world's— wealth

when

I think

pride and a'

the

marc.

O fie

co-ward man,

O fie

co-ward man,

lave o't, _____

O fie on sil - ly _____ co-ward man,

that

lave o't, _____

O fie on sil - ly _____ co-ward man,

that

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The sheet music features a vocal part and a piano accompaniment. The vocal part has two staves of music with lyrics. The piano part is shown at the bottom. A large, diagonal watermark reading "PREVIEW" and "Low Resolution" is overlaid across the page.