THE RAPID STREAM

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3. *The voices may be divided as indicated or the song may be sung as unison throughout*

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(I) cresc.
Stay thy course with me
For
cresc.
Ped.
Ped.
(II)
cresc.
(I)
as the sky - larks sing, For us a-wakes the Spring; There's
cresc.
(II)
f unis
time to spare, the earth is fair, Why hur-ry to the sea?
f (I)
The sky is bright a -
p
p
p


(II)
- bove thee, Sil - v'ry branches love thee, Bend-ing to the
(I)
reeds; Bend-ing with the reeds; No
cresc.
Ped. Ped.
(II)
(I)
mill with bu - sy wheel, Or ship with ploughing keel, With
cresc.
allargando
unis.
a tempo
sad un-rest dis-turbs thy breast, A - mid the flow - 'ry meads.
a tempo


più tranquillo
unis.
p
O stream-let swift - ly flow - ing,
dim.
pp
rall. e dolce
cresc.
Stay thy course with me,
There's time to spare, the
accel.
colla parte
accel.
earth is fair, Why hur - ry to the
a tempo
f
sf a tempo
Ped.
sea?
p
cresc.
f
Ped.