

Care-charming sleep

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The musical score consists of three staves. The top staff is in treble clef, the middle in bass clef, and the bottom is a continuo staff with a bass clef. The music is in common time. The lyrics are written below the notes. Measure 5 starts with a treble note followed by a bass note. The lyrics are: "Care- charm- ing sleep, thou eas- er of all woes, Bro- ther of Death,". Measure 6 begins with a bass note. The lyrics are: "sweet- ly thy- self dis- pose On this af- flict- ed wight; fall". Measure 7 starts with a bass note. The lyrics are: "like a cloud In gen- tle show'rs give noth- ing that is loud, Or pain-". Measure 8 begins with a bass note. The lyrics are: "like a cloud In gen- tle show'rs give noth- ing that is loud, Or pain-". The continuo staff at the bottom provides harmonic support with sustained notes and bassoon entries.

Care- charm- ing sleep, thou eas- er of all woes, Bro- ther of Death,

sweet- ly thy- self dis- pose On this af- flict- ed wight; fall

like a cloud In gen- tle show'rs give noth- ing that is loud, Or pain-

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ful to his slum-bers, but eas-y, sweet, And as a pur-ling

Bass Line Transcription:

a	b	a	b	a	b	a	a
b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a
a	a	r	e	r	a	r	a

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stream, you son of Night, Pass by his trou-bled sen-ses; sing his

Bass Line Transcription:

r	a	r	e	a	r	e	r
e	r	a	r	e	a	r	e
r	a	r	e	a	e	r	e

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pain hol-low mur-mur-ing wind, or sil-ver rain,

Bass Line Transcription:

r	a	r	b	a	r	b	a
a	r	a	b	a	r	b	a
r	a	r	b	a	r	b	a

In- to this Prince gent- ly, O
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30 gent- ly O gent- ly slide, And kiss him in- to
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35 slum- ber like a bride.
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