ACT III

Interior of Count Arnheim's a partment in the Hall of Justice _ a view of the last Scene visible through one of the windows at the back. A full length portrait of Arline, as she was in the First Act, hangson the wall_state chairs, etc. _ an elevation or dais on the side.







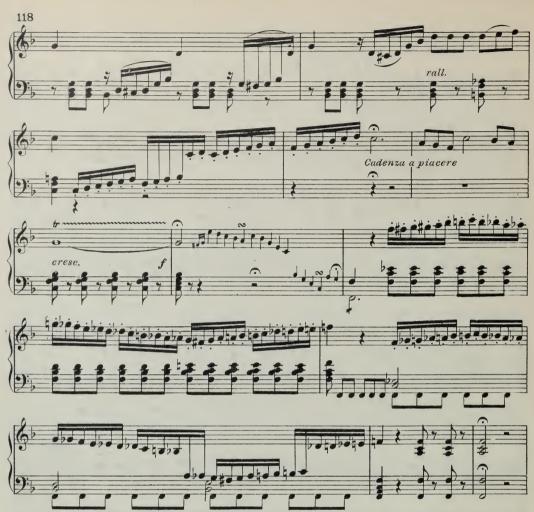






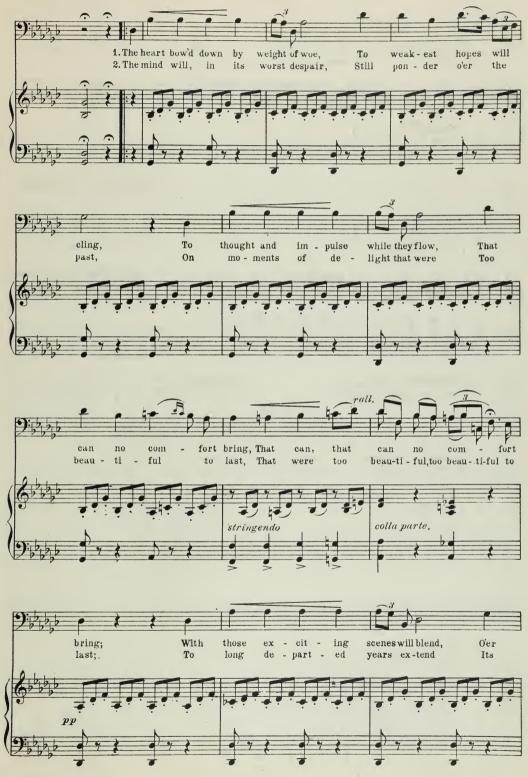


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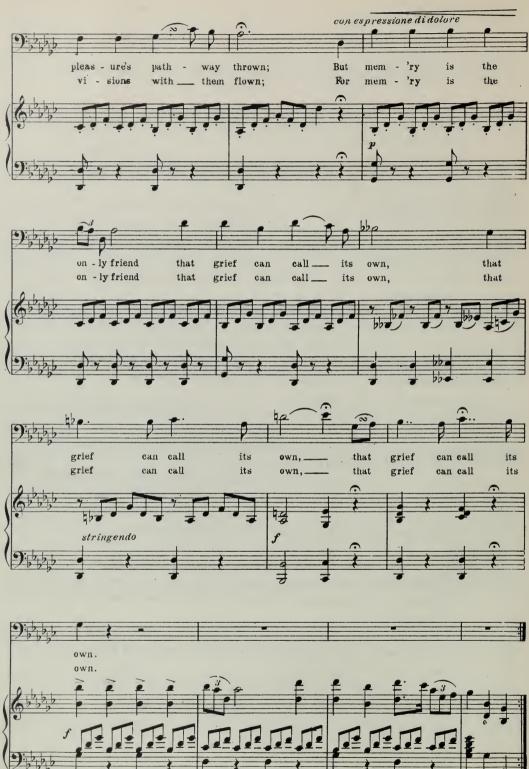


(Count Arnheimenters, thought ful and dejected, he contemplates Arline's portrait, and wipes a tear from his eye)





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(At the end of the song a confused murmur is heard outside; the Captain of the Guard enters.)

- CAPTAIN A robbery has been committed, and the accused is now in the hall awaiting the pleasure of your lordship, as chief magistrate of the city, for examination.
- COUNT Bring the parties before me. (*The Captain bows and retires.*) Anything to arouse me from those distracting thoughts, though the sole happiness I now enjoy is in the recollection of my long-lost child. (Seats himself when the doors are violently opened and a mob of citizens, gentry and guards enter. Florestein, who is in the midst of them, rushes up to the Count.)
- FLOR. It is I, your lordship's nephew, who have been robbed.
- COUNT Some folly of yours is for ever compromising my name and that of your family.
- FLOR. But I am in this instance the victim_I have been robbed, and there stands the culprit. (Pointing to Arline, standing in the centre, pale and with disheveled hair, but still haughty in her demeanor.)
- COUNT (Aside.) 'Tis she I saw but now in the public square. That girl, so young, so beautiful, commit a robbery? Impossible!
- FLOR. She stole this medallion belonging to me_we found it upon her.
- COUNT (Addressing Arline.) Can this be true?

ARLINE (Looking contemptuously at Florestein and turning with dignity to the Count.)

Heaven knows I am innocent, and if your lordship knew my heart, you would not deem meguilty.

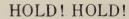
- COUNT Her words sink deep into my breast. Childless myself, I fain would spare the child of another. (To Florestein.) What proofs have you of this?
- FLOR. (Pointing to his friends.) My witnesses are here, who all can swear they saw it upon her neck.
- ALL We can.
- COUNT Still does my mind misgive me. (*To Arline, in a kind tone.*) My wish is to establish your innocence _ explain this matter to me, and without fear.
- ARLINE The medallion was given to me by the Queen of the tribe to which I belong. How it came into her possession I know not. But a light breaks in upon me_I see it all_I chanced to incur her displeasure, and to revenge herself upon me, she has laid for me this shameless snare, into which I have innocently fallen, and of which I have become the victim.

(Hiding her face and weeping.)

- COUNT(With a str aggle.) I believe your tale, and from my heart I pity the inexperience which has led to the ruin of one who seems above the grade of those she herds with_but in the fulfilment of duty, I must compromise the feelings of nature, and I am forced to deliver you into the hands of justice.
- ARLINE
 (To the Count.) To you, my earthly, to Him, my heavenly judge, I re-asseft my innocence.

 I may be accused, but will not be degraded, and from the infamy with which I am unjustly threatened, thus I free my self.

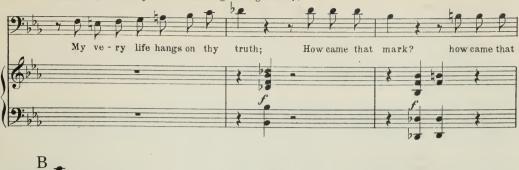
(She draws a dagger from beneath her scarf, and is about to stab herself, when Count Arnheim rushes forward, seizes her arm, and wrests the dagger from her.)





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(Dragging Arline forward and in great agitation)











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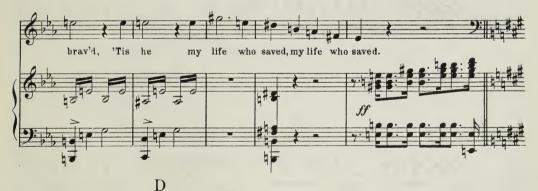


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Here a tumult is heard, and Thaddeus, having escaped from those who confined him, breaks into the room, and rushes into the arms of Arline. The Count on seeing him, reels back. A general excitement prevails.

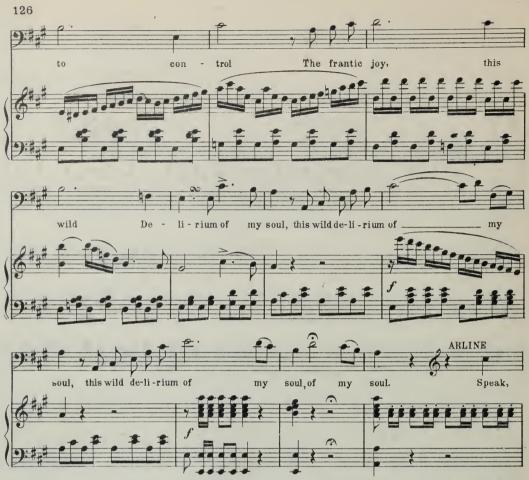








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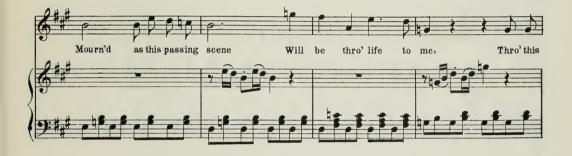
(Count clusps Arline to his heart_kisses her head, hands, hair, and shedding tears of joy. Arline bewildered, starts from the Count and runs to Thuddeus.)





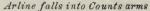
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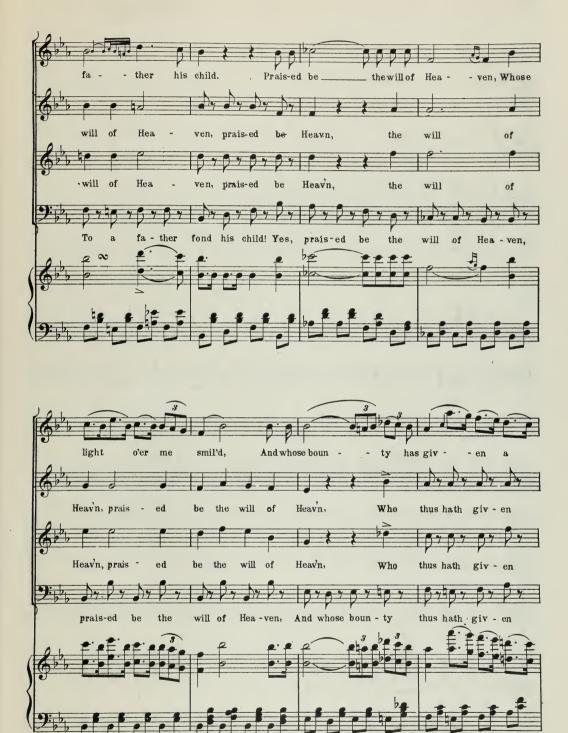




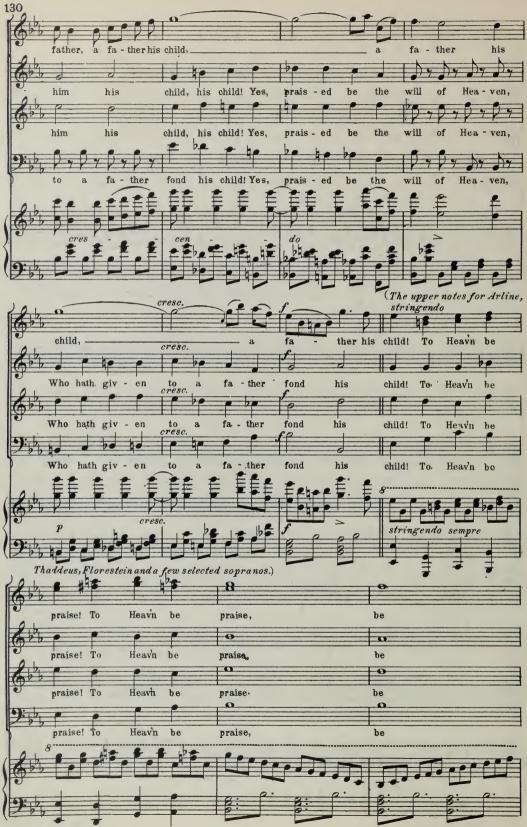








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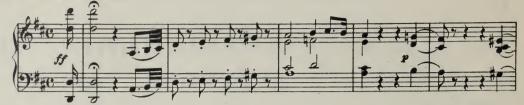


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End of ACT III

ACT IV

A splendid Saloon, in the Castle of Count Arnheim, a large window-door at the back opening on the Park. On the side, the door of a small Cabinet, doors at the back leading into spacious Galleries. No. 27. Introduction (To be omitted in concert performances.)















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Enter Arline, elegantly dressed for a Ball.

ARLINE The past appears to me but a dream from which I have at length aroused me. Yet my heart recalls enough to convince me it was all reality. When I think of the wandering life I led, my memory will revert to him who in every trial preserved its honor, who twice restored me to a father's arms, and at length to a father's home.

Count Arnheim enters with Florestein_Arline runs into his arms.

COUNT Every moment you leave me is a moment of unhappiness. I am jealous of whatever divides us, short as may be the interval. On a night of so much joy, when so many friends are to assemble and participate in your father's delight, let me intercede for one you have too much cause to be angry with.

ARLINE (Averting her head) The very sight of him disturbs me. (To the Count.) The wishes of my dear father I would cheerfully comply with, but the repugnance I cannot overcome.

FLORESTEIN (Falling on his knee.) Fair cousin, let meplead my own cause and express the _ aw _ sorrow I really feel at having for an instant believed it possible __infact, I never in reality ___

(Enter a Servant.)

Well! why do you interrupt?

(Servant crosses to the Count.)

SERVANT The castle is filling with guests who inquire for your lordship. (Exit.)

COUNT (To Arline) Let us hasten to meet them and afford me the joy of making you known to all.

ARLINE Allow me but time to fortify myself for a ceremony I am a stranger to, and I will follow you.

FLORESTEIN That is but reasonable, uncle_I will live in hopes of my cousin's forgiveness, which can alone restore my peace of mind. (Aside) I shall postively expire if I don't lead off the first quad rille with her. (Exeant Count and Florestein.)

ARLINE

I am once more left to my thoughts, and all the deep regrets that accompany them. Nothing can drive the recollection of Thaddeus from my mind, and the lonely life Iled, was to me far happier than the constrained one now I pass; and the graceful dress of the gipsy girl becomes me more than all this gaudy apparel of nobles. *Going round the room to see if any one is watching.*) Now no eye beholds me, I may at least indulge in a remembrance of the past. *Melodramatic Music. Artine enters the cabinet at right of stage. Enter Devilshoof.*

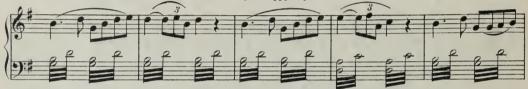
MELODRAMATIC MUSIC

This number is repeated through the comic scene of Devilshoof, the different solo instruments playing the melody in turn. No. 28 (To be omitted in concert performances.)





ARLINE _ The sight of this recalls the memory of happy days, &c.





(Arline enters from the cabinet, bringing her gipsies dress.)

ARLINE The sight of this recalls the memory of happy days, and of him who made them happy. (As she is contemplating the dress, the window at the back suddenly opens, and Devilshoof springs into the apartment.)

ARLINE (Screaming.) Ah! what seek you here with me?

- DEVILSHOOF Hush! fear not; but be silent. I come to ask you to rejoin our tribe _ we have never ceased to feel the loss of one liked more than all the rest.
- ARLINE Impossible! Leave me, I pray, and let me forget we have ever been acquainted.

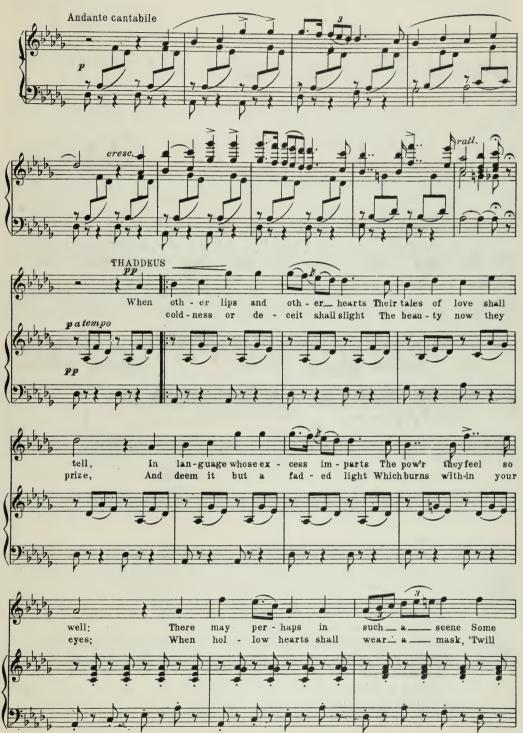
DEVILSHOOF I have brought with me one who has undoubtedly, greater powers of persuasion than I can pretend to. (HereThaddeus appears at the window; enters the room, and Arline, unable to restrain her feelings, rushes into his arms.)

THADDEUS In the midst of so much luxury, so much wealth and grandeur, I thought you had forgotten me.

ARLINE Forgotten you! (*Pointing to the gipsy's dress.*) Had I nothing else to remind me of you, this would always speak to me of you. Forgotten you?

THADDEUS The scenes in which you now move, may drive from your memory every trace of the past, and I only come to ask _ to hope _ that you will sometimes think upon me. (Devilshoof goes up to the window, on the lookout.) THEN YOU'LL REMEMBER ME

No. 29. Air



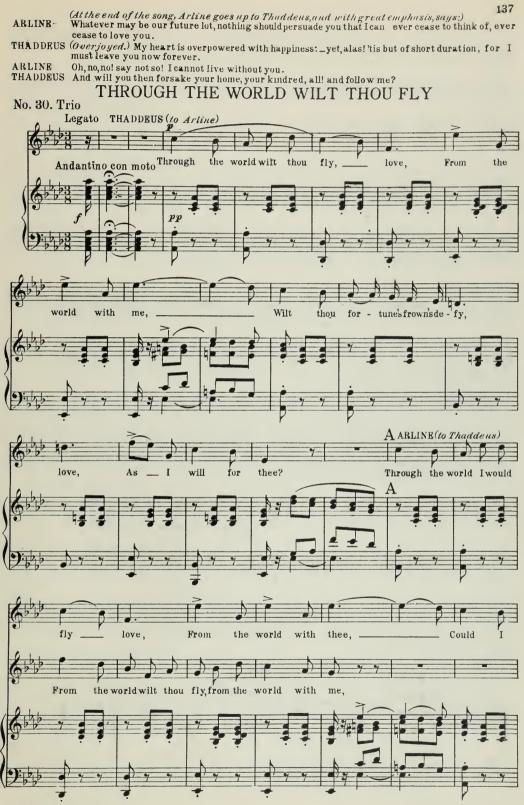




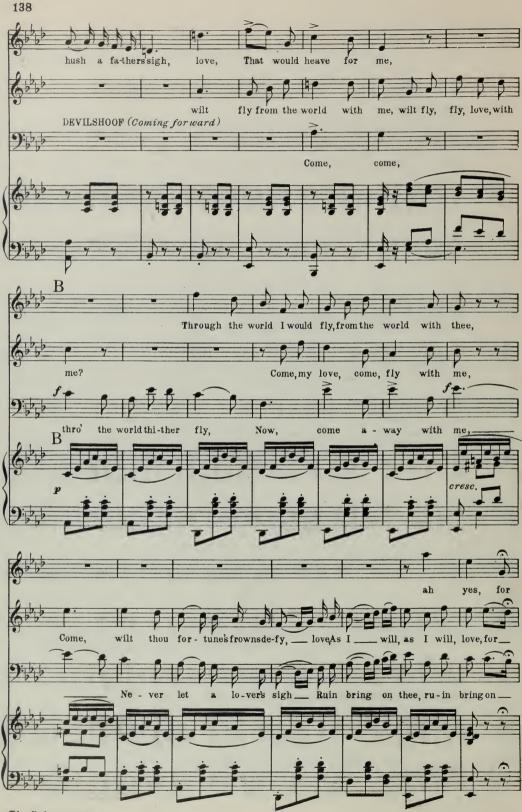




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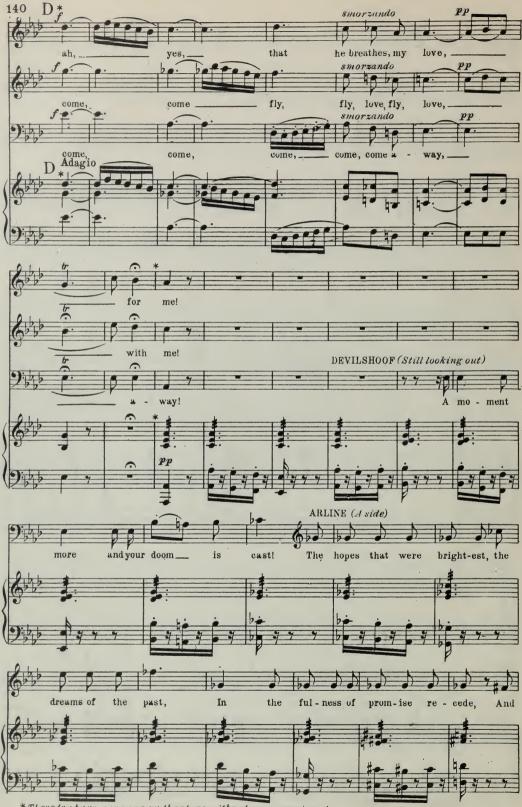
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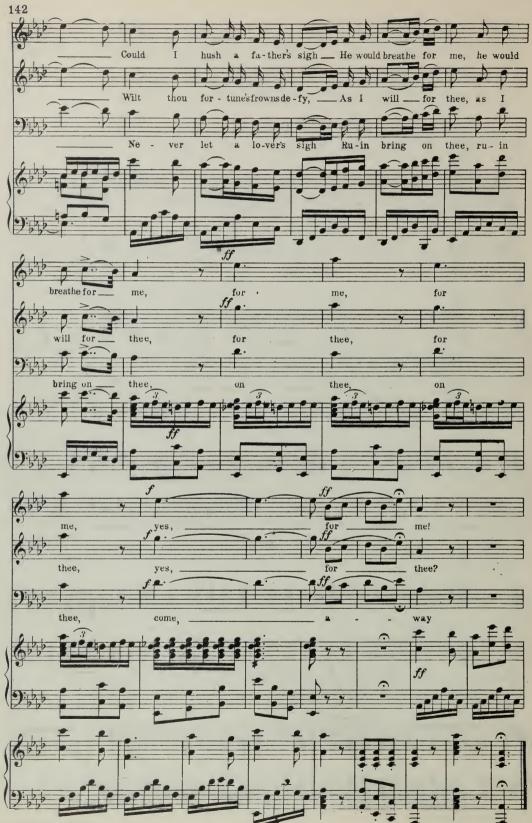






^{*}These ten burs are sung on the stage without accompaniment The Bohemian Girl





Thaddens has barely time to take refuge in the cabinet, and Devilshoof to escape by the window, when the great doors are thrown open, and a brilliant assemblage enters, led by Count Arnheim, Florestein, &c., Count takes Arline's hand and presents her to the company. Welcome, welcome all _____ share with me all the joy I feel while I present my loved and long-lost

COUNT daughter.

WELCOME THE PRESENT

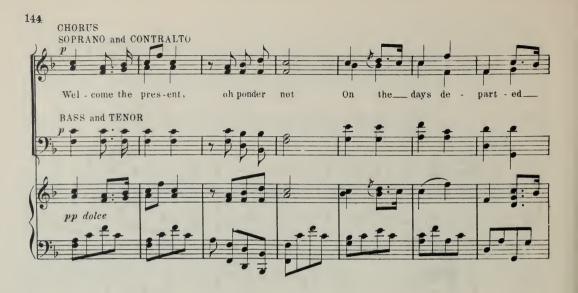


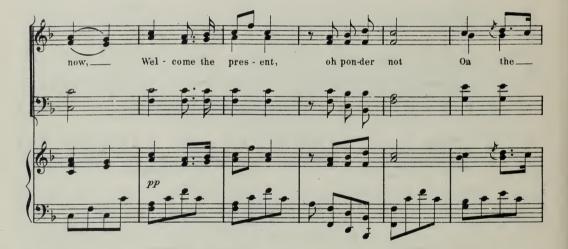


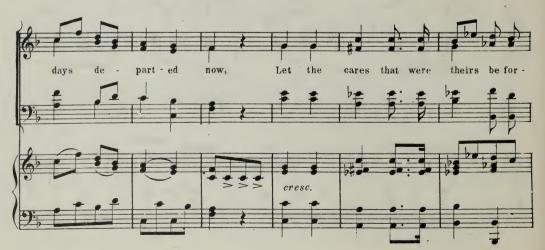


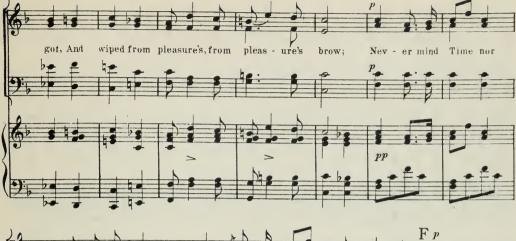




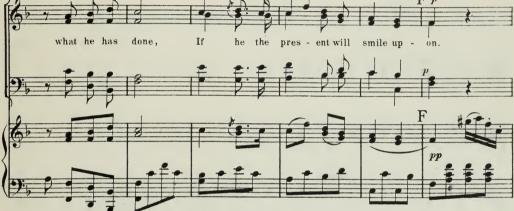








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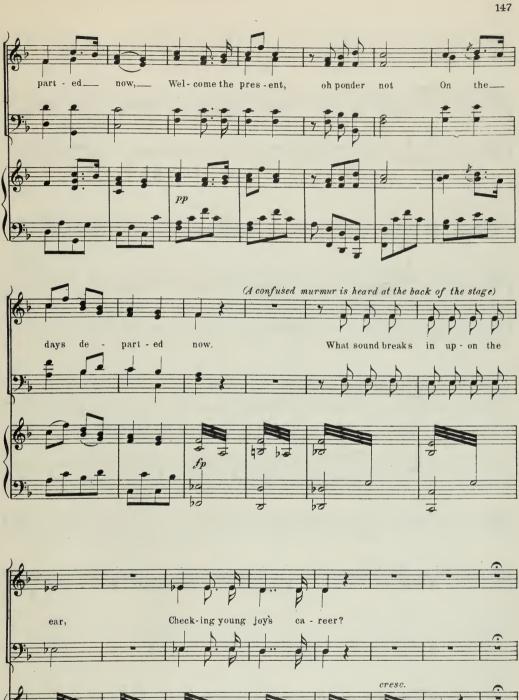




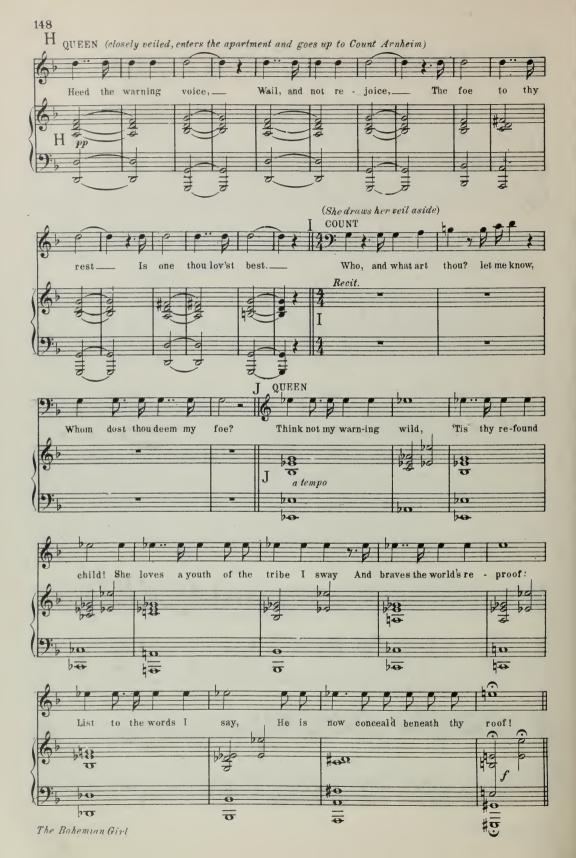


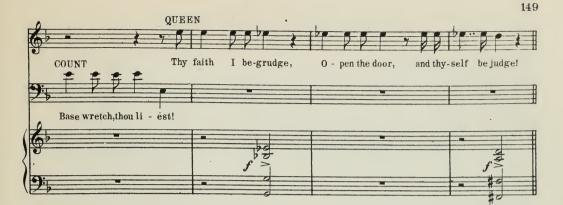


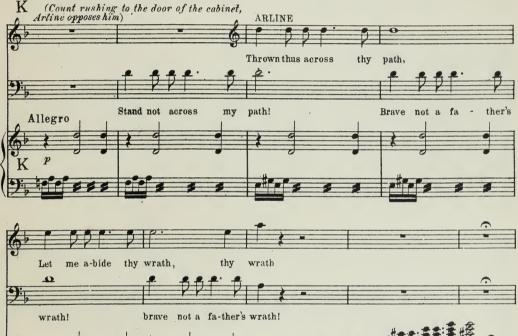
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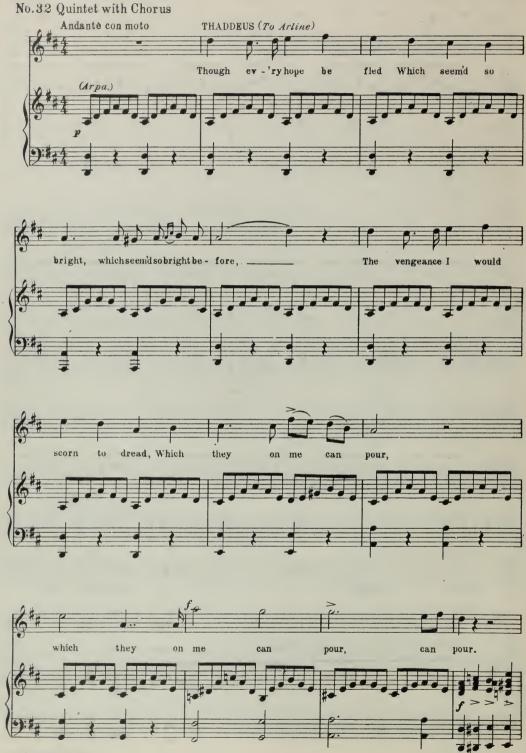


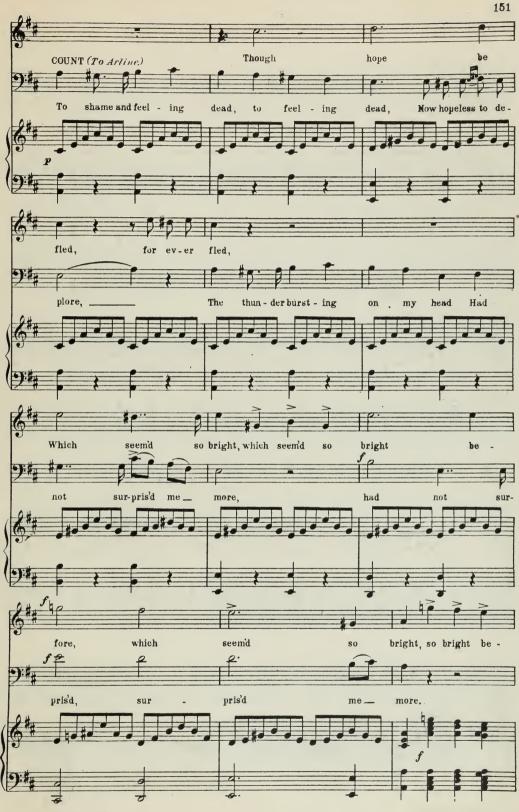


⁽The Count pushes Arline aside, opens the door, and Thaddeus appears — the Count reels back, and every one seems panic-struck)

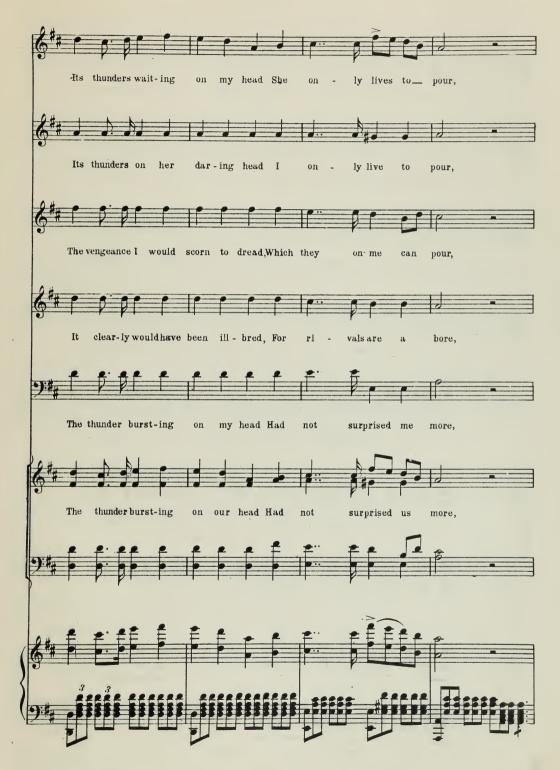


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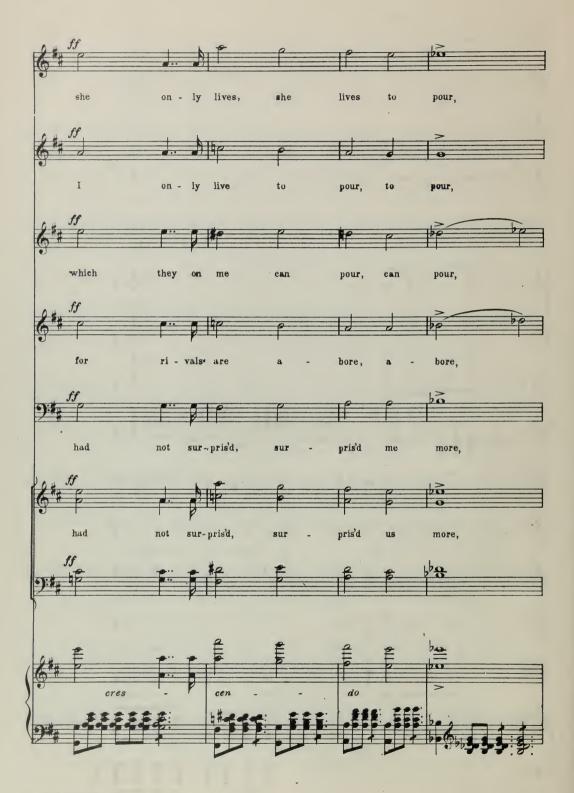








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No.33 Scene



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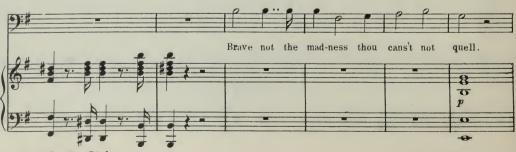


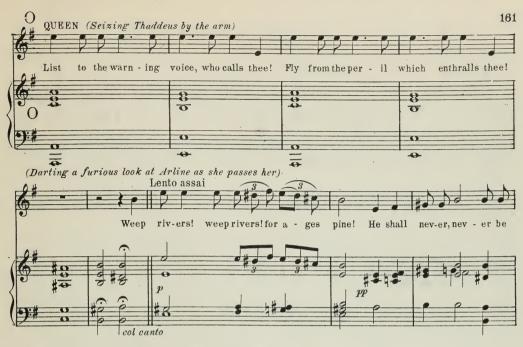




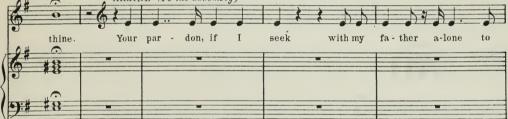








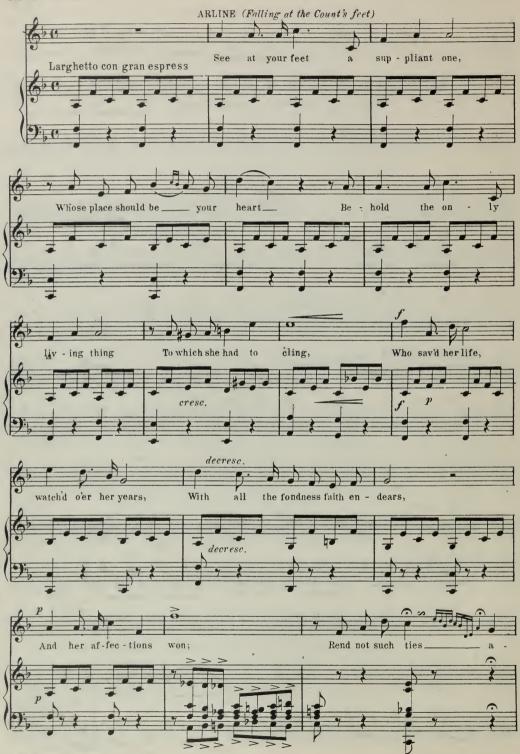
⁽As the Queen is dragging Thaddeus towards the window, Arline stops him) ARLINE (To the assembly)

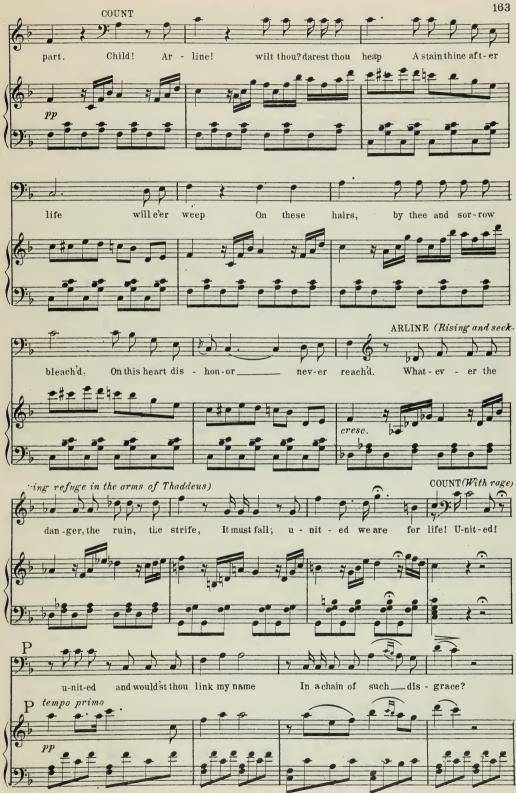


(Execut all except Arline, Thaddeus and Count; the chorus through doors leading to galleries, the doors closing after them. The Queen exits through the window-door)

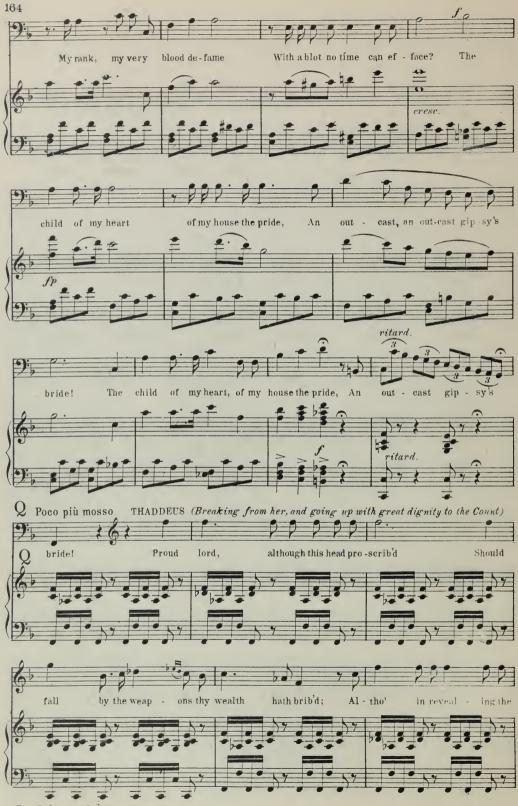


No. 34 Scene





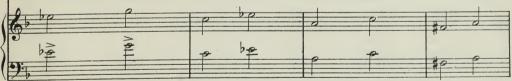
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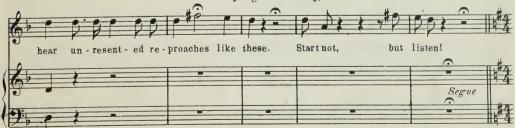








(Count Arnheim and Arline betray symptoms of astonishment, yet great anxiety)



No.35. Air



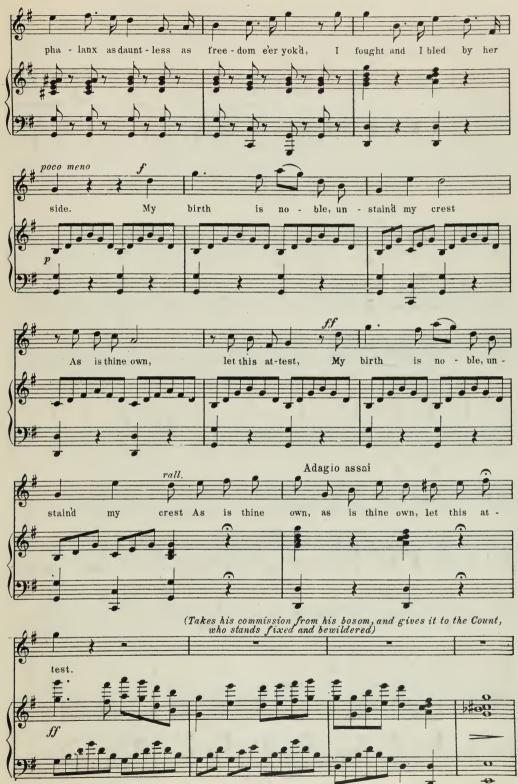








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(Thaddeus, moved to tears, is about to fall at the Count's feet, who checks him)



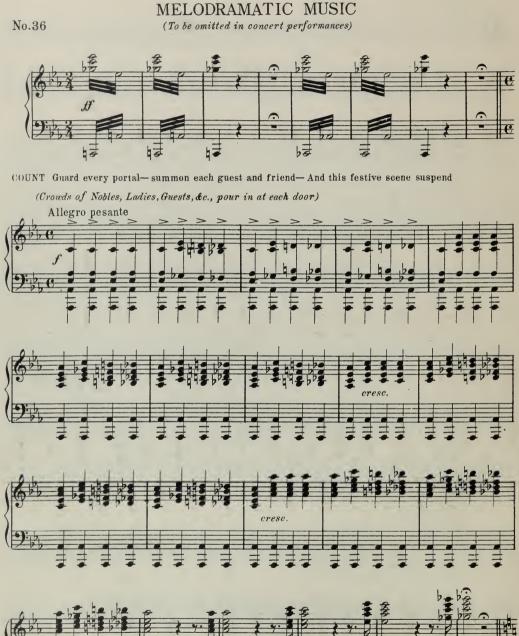






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(During the foregoing, the wan figure of the Queen has been seen at the window in the back, and at the end of it, as Thaddeus is about to embrace Arline, the Queen, in a transport of rage, points him out to a Gipsy by her side, who is in the act of firing at him, when Devilshoof, who has tracked their steps, averts the Gipsy's aim, and by a rapid movement turns the pistol towards the Queen-it goes off, and she falls)





OH, WHAT FULL DELIGHT

No.37 Finale

(Arline rushes into the arms of Thuddeus, and then passes over to the Count.)









