

4 Tennyson Elegies

4. I SHOULD NOT FEEL IT TO BE STRANGE

Text: Alfred Tennyson (1809-1892)

Mixed choir

Huub de Lange (*1955)

$\text{♩} = 85$

Soprano

Alto

Tenor

Bass

mf

If one should bring me this re - port, that thou hadst

4

touch'd the land to - day, and I went down un - to the

7

quay, and found thee ly - ing in the

10

mf
And stan - ding, muf - fled round with woe, should see thy

port;

13

pas - sen - gers in — rank come step - ping light - ly down the

16

plank, and beck - o - ning un - to those they —

19

mf

And if a - long with these should come the man I
know; And if a - long with these should come the man I

mf

And if a - long with these should come — the man I

22

held as half - de - vine; should strike a sud - den hand in

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hled as half - de - vine; should strike a sud - den hand in

25

mine, and ask a thou - sand things of home;

mine, and ask a thou - sand things of home; And I should

8 mine, and ask a thou - sand things of home;

28

tell him all my pain, and how my life has droop'd of

8 (mm...)

(mm...)

31

And he should sor - row o'er my state and mar-vel

late, (mm...)

(mm...)

34

what pos - sess'd my brain; And I per - ceived no touch of

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37

change, _____ no hint of death in all his frame, but found him

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(mm... _____)

40

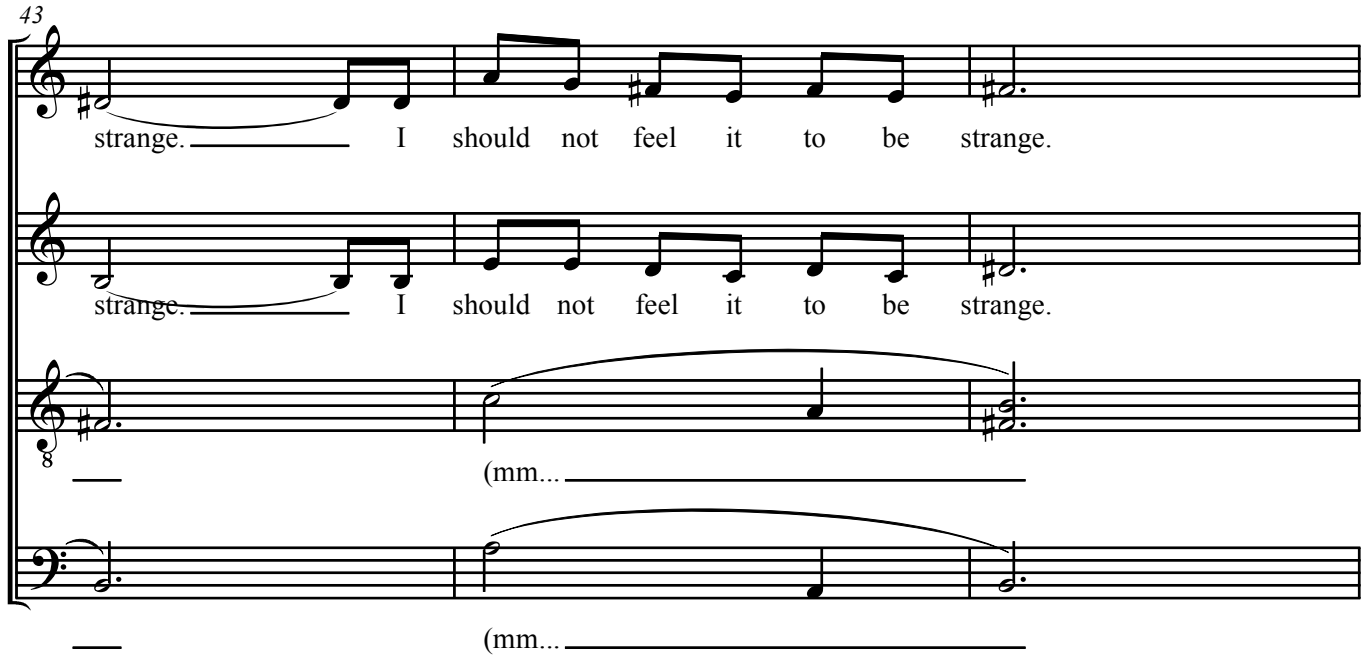
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all in all the same, _____ (mm... _____)

(mm... _____)

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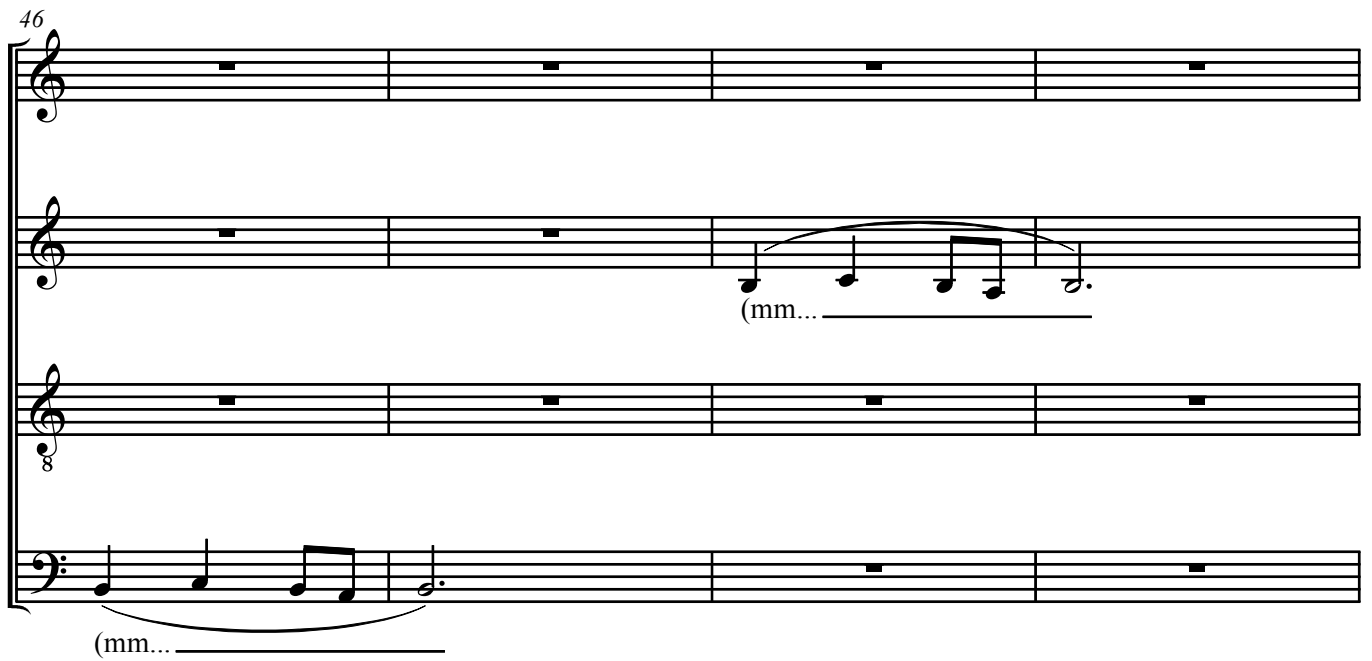
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(mm...)

(mm...)

46



(mm...)

(mm...)

50



(mm...)

(mm...)

53

(mm...)

56

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_____ (mm... _____

83

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strange _____ I should not feel it to be strange.

86

_____ *poco rit.* _____
(mm... _____
(mm... _____