The Crown of Roses (Legend)

Stoddard,
trans. Pleshcheyev,
trans. Dearmer

no. 5 (1883) from *16 Songs for Children*, op. 54,
arr. for choir 1889

Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky
(1840–1893)

Slow and sustained

Soprano: *mp* When Je-sus Christ was yet a child, He had a gar - den small and wild, *p* Where-in he

Alto: *mp* When Je-sus Christ was yet a child, He had a gar - den small and wild, *p* Where-in he

Tenor: *mp* When Je-sus Christ was yet a child, He had a gar - den small and wild, *p* Where-in he

Bass: *mp* When Je-sus Christ was yet a child, He had a gar - den small and wild, *p* Where-in he

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A **Più mosso**

S.: *mf* cher - ished ro - ses fair, And wove them in - to gar - lands there. Now once, as

A.: *mf* cher - ished ro - ses fair, And wove them in - to gar - lands there. Now once, as

T.: *mf* cher - ished ro - ses fair, And wove them in - to gar - lands there. Now once, as

B.: *mf* cher - ished ro - ses fair, And wove them in - to gar - lands there. Now once, as

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S.: sum - mer - time drew nigh, There came a troop of child - ren by,

A.: sum - mer - time drew nigh, There came a troop of child - ren by,

T.: sum - mer - time drew nigh, There came a troop of child - ren by,

B.: sum - mer - time drew nigh, There came a troop of child - ren by,

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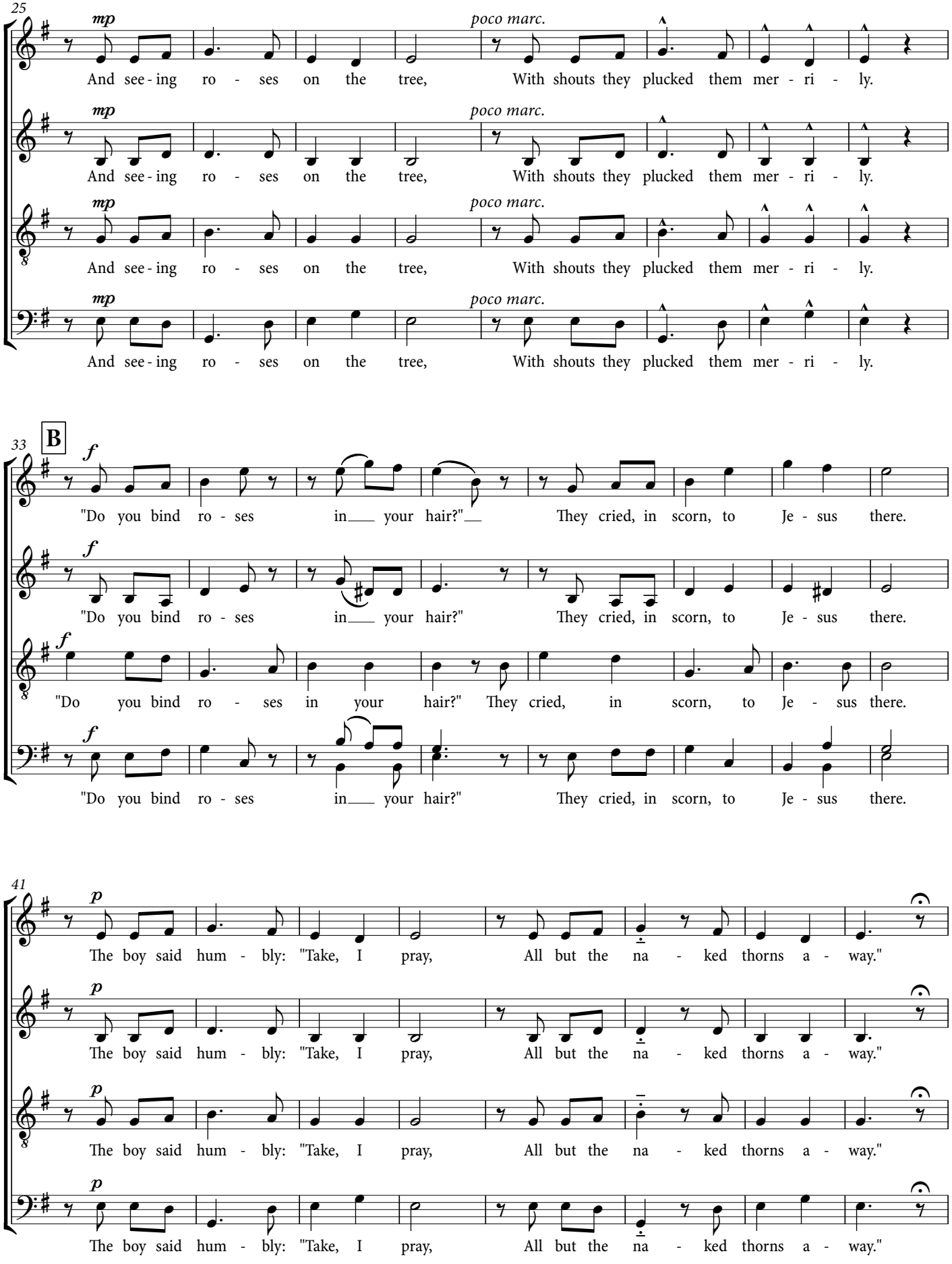
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mp
poco marc.
S.
And see - ing ro - ses on the tree, With shouts they plucked them mer - ri - ly.
A.
And see - ing ro - ses on the tree, With shouts they plucked them mer - ri - ly.
T.
And see - ing ro - ses on the tree, With shouts they plucked them mer - ri - ly.
B.
And see - ing ro - ses on the tree, With shouts they plucked them mer - ri - ly.
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B
f
S.
"Do you bind ro - ses in your hair?" They cried, in scorn, to Je - sus there.
A.
"Do you bind ro - ses in your hair?" They cried, in scorn, to Je - sus there.
T.
"Do you bind ro - ses in your hair?" They cried, in scorn, to Je - sus there.
B.
"Do you bind ro - ses in your hair?" They cried, in scorn, to Je - sus there.
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p
S.
The boy said hum - bly: "Take, I pray, All but the na - ked thorns a - way."
A.
The boy said hum - bly: "Take, I pray, All but the na - ked thorns a - way."
T.
The boy said hum - bly: "Take, I pray, All but the na - ked thorns a - way."
B.
The boy said hum - bly: "Take, I pray, All but the na - ked thorns a - way."

C

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S. mp f ff
Then of the thorns they made a crown, and with rough fin - gers

A. mp f ff
Then of the thorns they made a crown, and with rough fin - gers

T. mp f ff
Then of the thorns they made a crown, and with rough fin - gers

B. mp f ff
Then of the thorns they made a crown, and with rough fin - gers

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S. mp p
pressed it down, Till on his fore - head fair and young Red

A. mp p
pressed it down, Till on his fore - head fair and young Red

T. mp p
pressed it down, Till on his fore - head fair and young Red

B. mp p
pressed it down, Till on his fore - head fair and young Red

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rit.

S. =(f) sfz p pp
drops of blood like ro - ses sprung.

A. =(f) sfz p pp
drops of blood like ro - ses sprung.

T. =(f) sfz p pp
drops of blood, like ro - ses sprung.

B. =(f) sfz p (opt. 8vb) pp
of blood, like ro - ses sprung, like ro - ses sprung.