

"Were I gard'ner."

Si j'étais Jardinier.

(Roger Milès.)

English version by

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(Mezzo-Soprano, or Baritone.)

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Allegretto. (♩ = 96)

Piano.

dolce.

Were I gard - 'ner of the skies Man-ya star for thee Id - gath - er!
Si j'é - tais jardi - nier des cieux Je te cueil-le-rai des é - toi - les!

Red. * *Red.* *

rit.

What gay gems should en-trance thine eyes Were I gard - ner of the skies!
Quels joy-aux ra - vi-raient tes yeux Si j'é-tais jar - di - nier des cieux!

rit.

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a tempo.

When the pale night sinks o'er the heather Glo-rious should thy radiance a - rise.
 Dans la nuit pâ - le sous ses voi - les Ton é - clat serait ra - di - eux

a tempo.

p
 Were I gard - 'ner of the skies Man - ya star for thee I would
 Si j'é - tais jar - di - nier des cieux Je te cueil - le - rais des é -

Ad.

gath - er!
 toi - les!

p

dolce.

Were I gard - 'ner of Love to - day I would gath - er thee — ca -
 Si j'é - tais — jar - di - nier d'a - mour Je te cueil - le - rais — des ca -

ress - es, Gai - ly whil - ing the hours a - way Were I gard - 'ner of
 res - ses Je te fê - te - rais tout le jour Si j'é - tais — jar - di -

rit. *a tempo.*

Love to - day! With their ten - der, mute — ad - dress - es
 nier d'a - mour! En — leurs i - né - di - tes ten - dres - ses

rit. *a tempo.*

p

Court to thee my flow - ers should pay; Were I gard - 'ner of Love to - day,
 Mes bouquets te fer - aient la cour. Si j'é - tais jar - di - nier d'a - mour

p

I would gath - er - thee ca - res - es!
 Je te cueil - le - rais des ca - res - ses!

But on - ly songs my gar - den bears, —
 Mais mon jar - din n'est que chan - sons —

— And thou thy - self mayst come to gath - er.
 — Et tu peux y cueil - lir toi - mê me.

The bush - es God for nests pre - pares; —
 Dieu pour les nids fit les buis - sons —

p And on - ly songs my gar - den bears. Is mine thine heart, to —
 Et mon jar - din n'est que chan - sons. Viens - là rê - ver si —

dolcissimo. p cresc.

p per cresc. cresc.

dream come hith - er, For — my heart thy rap - ture
 ton cœur m'ai - me Et — mon cœur au - ra des fris -

f p

f

rit. a tempo. cresc.

shares. But on - ly songs my gar - den bears, And thou thy - self —
 sons. Mais mon jar - din — n'est que chan - sons Et tu peux —

rit. p a tempo.

rit. p a tempo.

mayst come to gath - er!
 y cueil - lir toi - mê - me!

rit. a tempo. f