

The Blue Bird

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Larghetto tranquillo *pp*

Soprano solo
or
Soprano I

Blue,

Soprano II
or
Alto I

pp

The lake lay blue be - low the hill, the lake lay blue be -

Alto
or
Alto II

pp

The lake lay blue be - low the hill, the lake lay blue be -

Tenor

pp

The lake lay blue be - low the hill, the lake lay blue be -

Bass

pp

The lake lay blue be - low the hill, the lake lay blue be -

7

S.s.
S.I

blue, O'er it, as I looked, there flew a -

S.II
or
A.I

low the hill, be - low the hill, lay blue,

A.
or
A.II

low the hill, be - low the hill, lay blue,

T.

low the hill, be - low the hill, lay blue,

B.

low the hill, be - low the hill, lay blue,

12

S.s.
S.I.

cross the wa-ters, cold and still, A bird _____ whose wings _____

S.II
or
A.I

_____ cold and still, there flew a bird _____ whose

A.
or
A.II

_____ cold and still, there flew a bird _____ whose

T.

8 _____ cold and still, there flew a bird _____ whose

B.

_____ cold and still, there flew a bird _____ whose

17

S.s.
S.I.

_____ were pa - lest blue. _____

S.II
or
A.I

wings were pa - lest blue. _____ The sky a - bove _____ was blue at last, _____

A.
or
A.II

wings were pa - lest blue. _____ The sky a - bove _____ was blue at last, _____

T.

8 wings were pa - lest blue. _____ The sky a - bove _____ was blue at last, _____

B.

wings were pa - lest blue. _____ The sky a - bove _____ was blue at last, _____

24 *p* *mf*

S.s
S.I. Blue, blue, a mo-ment

S.II
or
A.I. — the sky be - neath me blue in blue, — was blue in blue, — *pp*

A.
or
A.II. — the sky be - neath me blue in blue, — was blue in blue, — *pp*

T. — the sky be - neath me blue in blue, — was blue in blue, — *pp*

B. — the sky be - neath me blue in blue, — was blue in blue, — *pp*

31 *mf*

S.s
S.I. ere the bird had passed, It caught — his im -

S.II
or
A.I. — blue in blue, it caught, it caught — his *mf*

A.
or
A.II. — blue in blue, it caught, it caught his *mf*

T. — blue in blue, it caught, it caught — his *mf*

B. — blue in blue, it caught, it caught his *mf*

36

S.s.
S.I.

- age, his im - age as he flew. *più lento*

S.II
or
A.I.

im - age, his im - age as he flew. *ppp* The lake lay blue be -

A.
or
A.II

im - age, his im - age as he flew. *ppp* The lake lay blue be -

T.

im - age, his im - age as he flew. *ppp* The lake lay blue be -

B.

im - age, as he flew. *ppp* The lake lay blue be -

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S.s.
S.I.

quasi niente ppp Blue.

S.II
or
A.I.

low the hill.

A.
or
A.II

low the hill.

T.

low the hill.

B.

low the hill.