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A R G U M E N T.

It is the yearly practice of the inhabitants of Ploërmel, a village of Brittany, to perform a pilgrimage, in their holiday attire, to the chapel of the Virgin. On one of the days appointed for this solemnity, Hoël, the goat-herd, and Dinorah, his betrothed, together with their friends, had set out at an early hour from the locality entitled Les Herbiers, and, chanting the while hymns to the Virgin, were on their way to receive the nuptial benediction. Suddenly a thunder-storm bursts over their heads, and disperses the procession; the lightning strikes Les Herbiers, the dwelling-place and sole wealth of Dinorah's father, and burns it to the ground. While gazing at its ruins, Hoël sees nought but the wretched future which awaits his betrothed. He therefore lends an ear to the counsels of Tonick, (an old wizard residing in the village,) who holds before his eyes the dazzling temptation of discovering one of those treasures long hidden in the bowels of the earth, the possession of which would enrich him for ever. But, in order to wrest it from its guardians, the Korigans, (supernatural beings indigenous to Brittany,) it is needful forthwith, and without any one's knowledge, to quit the country, and to wander, in a remote waste, far from human eye, a year of solitary trial. On hearing that Hoël has abandoned her, the unhappy Dinorah, attributing his departure to inconstancy, loses her reason, and perpetually wanders through the woods with her goat, in search of her betrothed. Meanwhile, the year of trial has expired; old Tonick is dead, and Hoël returns, believing himself sole possessor of the secret by means of which he is to become owner of the treasure. Here begins the action of the libretto.

Corentino, the bagpiper, is on his way back from a neighboring village. He has been living lately in the cabin of his uncle, who has been dead for three months, and he himself is almost dying—of terror. He dreams of nothing but spectres, goblins and fairies. Even now they are haunting him. He takes up his bagpipes and tries to divert himself by playing. Dinorah appears and goes in the cottage. Corentino has an idea that she is a fairy, who makes the fellows dance till they die of fatigue. Just then there is a loud rap at the door; the girl escapes by the window, and Hoël enters abruptly.

Hoël has passed his trial-year. He returns ignorant that Dinorah has become crazy because he has deserted her. On this very night, at midnight, he is to follow the goat that will guide him towards the treasure. But the first person that touches the treasure is to die. Hoël can think of nothing better than to get Corentino to touch it. He offers to share it with him if he will go along with him. Corentino, though a natural coward, is brave when he is drunk, so Hoël sends him for wine. When the wine has got the better of Corentino's reason, he easily yields to Hoël's representations, and expresses himself perfectly willing to share the perils and the gain of the adventure.

The second Act begins with a bacchanalian chorus, sung by the peasantry. After they have dispersed, Dinorah appears. The moon rises, and her shadow is thrown upon

the ground, in which the crazy girl sees an animated being, and dances with it. The scene changes, and we are in the Cursed Vale, the *Val Maudit*, where the treasure is hidden. It is night: the *Val Maudit* bears its name written on its gloomy appearance. The sky is stormy and dark, sprinkled with heavy clouds that now hide and now unveil the melancholy moon struggling among them. Great rocks arise, amid which rushes a torrent, between the rough banks of which lies the trunk of a fallen tree, serving for a bridge. It is near twelve o'clock.

Hoël and Corentino arrive, the latter trembling and shivering from terror and cold. While Hoël goes to reconnoitre the road, Dinorah passes, singing the legend of the treasure. This song opens Corentino's eyes, and he flatly refuses all further participation in Hoël's schemes.

Suddenly the goat appears bounding from rock to rock, and passes over the tree stretched across the torrent. A few minutes more and the treasure may escape them. The thought strikes Corentino to make the crazy girl, who just then appears, touch it first. Hoël recognizes Dinorah, but he thinks it is a vision sent by the spirits to keep him back. Dinorah, apprised of the whereabouts of her pet goat by the cunning Corentino, prepares to follow the animal. She clammers over the rocks, steps on the trembling bridge and begins to cross it. At that moment a gust of wind rushes through the ravine; the thunder bursts, the bridge falls into the torrent, and Dinorah falls with it. Hoël at last realizing that it is the real Dinorah, plunges in to save her, and the curtain falls.

The third Act commences with a lovely morning after the storm. A hunter, a mower and two shepherds meet and converse about the terrors of the past night. When they have separated, each following his avocations, Hoël appears, carrying Dinorah in his arms. He has rescued her from the water. She is not dead, only fainted. Hoël places her on a green bank and sings her back to life. She opens her eyes and looks around her. The fall into the torrent and the sight of her lover have restored her reason. She passes her hands over her brow, and exclaims, "Oh, what a dream!" Hoël seized the idea, and, in a charming duo, persuades Dinorah that all that has happened in the past year is only a dream. Dinorah has, then, been dreaming; but, says she, "while I slept, I was surrounded by my friends. It was the Pardon of Ploërmel, and they were singing a hymn to the Virgin." She tries to remember the air of this hymn; she seeks it by a succession of charming strains which lead to the air, which, at that moment, the chorus takes up behind the scenes. Her friends surround her; she has only been dreaming, she can no longer doubt it. The hymn to the Virgin rises in all its religious majesty; a procession is formed, with banners fluttering in the wind, and people carrying shrines and votive vessels. Dinorah and Hoël, under a canopy, are going to the hymenial altar, just as they were a year before. But this time nothing interferes with the consummation of their happiness.

LE

PARDON DE PLOERMEL.

(DINORAH.)

ATTO I.

LA SERA.

Luogo alpestre e selvaggio, rischiarato dagli ultimi raggi del tramonto. Sul davanti, la capanna di CORENTINO Porta a dritta. In fondo una finestra bassa. A sinistra un vecchio seggiolone; tavola e credenza rustiche. Molti viattoli s'incrociano ai fianchi della collina ché domina la capanna. Qua e là macchie ed alberi torti dal vento. Larghe zone luminose solcano l'orizzonte.

SCENA I.—Alcuni caprai attraversano il fondo della scena e s'incontrano coi contadini che scendono dalla collina.

Coro. I.
 L'azzurro del cielo
 Si copre d'un velo ;
 Il fior di lavanda
 Profuma ogni landa.
 Caprette gentili,
 Tornate agli ovili,
 Seguite i pastori,
 Chè tardi si fa.
 Non state più fuori,
 Che veggonsi già
 E nani e folletti
 Errare per qua.

II.

Tra, la, la !
Andiam giù pel cammino
 Che infiora il romarino,
 Tra, la, la.
 La squilla odo echeggiar
 E il sonno pio mischiar
 Al tintinno argentino
 Dell'agnellino,
 Tra, la, la.
 Seguiamo il bel cammino
 Che infiora il romarino.

Le ultime note del Coro si perdono nel lontano. Una capra bianca traversa la scena nel fondo e dispare saltellando. DINORAH accorre dietro le sue tracce, si soffruga ed ascolta. Essa è vestita elegantemente come le fidanzate della Bretagna.

SCENA II.—Entra DINORAH.

Din. Bellah, capretta amata,
 Dove ti sei celata !
 La mia capra nera e bianca
 Dal mio tetto sen fuggi.

[Con tristezza.]
 [Guardando intorno.]

ACT I.

EVENING.

A wild and desert spot, illumined by the last rays of the setting sun. In front CORENTINO's cottage; to the right, a door; at back, a low window; to the left, an old arm chair, together with a rustic table and buffet. Numerous paths intersect each other on the sides of the mountain overlooking the cottage. Here and there are seen shrubs and trees blown down by the wind. The horizon is streaked with large, luminous rays.

SCENE I.—Several goat-herds cross the back of the stage, and meet peasants who descend from the mountain.

Cho. I.
 The azure of heaven
 A veil now doth cover,
 The lavender flower
 Sheds fragrance o'er the plain ;
 Ye graceful goats
 Return ye to your folds,
 Your herdsmen follow,
 For it groweth late.
 Remain not no longer,
 For dwarfs and evil spirits
 Now wander abroad.

II.

Tra, la, la,
 Descend we by this path,
 Luxuriant with rosemary,
 Tra, la, la.
 The church bell I now hear tolling,
 Mingling its holy sounds,
 With our sheep-bells' silvery tinkle,
 Tra, la, la.
 Descend we by this path,
 Luxuriant with rosemary.

[The last notes of the Chorus die away in the distance. A white goat crosses back of the stage and disappears. DINORAH follows on its track; she stops short and listens. She is elegantly attired in the costume of the affianced maidens of Brittany.

SCENE II.—Enter DINORAH.

Din. Bellah, my darling goat,
 Where hast thou concealed thyself ? [Sadly.
 My goat, of color black and white,
 Hath fled from my dwelling. [Looking round

LE PARDON DE PLOERMEL.

Di cercarti sono stanca
Vien' Bellah! già cade il dì. [Cangiando pensiero.
Credon che le genti—che siam dementi.
Ma non è ver—tu il dei saper.
Di noi felice—è men chi 'l dice—
Ma tornerà—ecco la quâ. [Credendo rivederla.
O qual sorpresa!—dal sonno è presa.
[Accostandosi con cautela ad un cespuglio.
Non la turbiam—non la destiam.
Ti possa il mio canto
Al sonno invitar. [Come se cullasse un bambino.

I am weary with seeking her.
Come, Bellah, already the day doth decline;
Folks say we are mad,
But 'tis not true: thou well know'st
Far happier are we than they who say this!
But she'll return—she's here! [Imagining that she sees her goat
What glad surprise is this! Sleep hath o'ercome
her! [Cautiously approaching some shrubs.
Disturb her not, let's not awake her.
Ah! may my song
To slumber invite thee. [As though rocking a child to sleep.

SI, CARINA—SLUMBER, DARLING. DINORAH.

Si, ca - ri - na, ca - pret - ti - na, dor - mi in pa - oc là..... Si, ca - ri - na,
Slum-ber, dar - ling, sweet-ly slum-ber, Sleep my be - lov'd one, sleep!..... Slum-ber, dar-ling,
gen - ti - li - na, dor - ml in pa - ce la!..... Un bel ven - ti - cel a - leg - gia lle - ve dor.....
sweet-ly slumber, my be-lov'd one, sleep!.... Soft the evening breeze is play-ing, play-ing; sleep!....
Si, ca - ri - na, gen - ti - li - na, dormi in pa - ce dor!..... L'om - bra in - vi - ta a ri - po - sar,
Slum-ber, dar-ling, sweet-ly slum-ber, my be-lov'd one, sleep!..... 'Neath the cool-ing shadows here,
Del rus - cel che cor - real mar al mar S'o - de il mor - mo - ra - re si si
Flows a streamlet fresh and clear, Swift, swift, a - mong the flow - ers stray-ing, Swift, swift,
tra' fio - rie tra l'er - bet - te, tra fio - rie tra l'er - bet - te: ah! ca - ri - na, ca - pret - ti - na,
a - mong the flow - ers stray ing, Thro' flow'rs and moss - es stray-ing; Slumber, dar-ling, sweet-ly slumber,
dor - mi in pa - ce, la!..... Si, ca - ri - na, gen - ti - li - na, dor - mi in pa - ce, la!....
Sleep, my be-lov'd one, sleep!.... Slumber, dar-ling, sweet-ly slum-ber, my be - lov'd one, sleep!

Ahi! sei dì lontan restò
Nè tornò!
Forse errò sulle colline!—
Fra le spine!—
Ma dal lupo se sei presa!—
Non temer.
Sarò là per tua difesa,
Non temer!
Si, carina,
Dorm' in pace, ecc.
Cari augellin' tregua al garrir,
Chè la mia bella, deve dormir.
Non la destate, più pian! più pian!

[Si allontana con circospezione dietro i cespugli e sparisce.
CORENTINO si mostra all'improvviso sul ciglione della
montagna; s'avanza guardando a destra ed a sinistra
con inquietudine, soffiando sempre nella sua cornamusa.
Egli scende rapidamente il sentiero che conduce alla
capanna, entra precipitosamente, e chiude la porta.

Alas! six days hath she been away,
Nor yet returns!
Perchance she hath wandered on the hills
Amid the thorns!
Ah! wert thou to be seized by the wolf?—
Fear not!
I will be there to defend thee,
Fear not!
Yes, darling,
Sleep in peace, &c.
Sweet little birds, your warbling cease,
My beauteous one must sleep.
Awake her not! Yet softer still!

[She retires cautiously behind the shrubs and disappear
CORENTINO suddenly appears on the summit of the
mountain: he advances, looking anxiously on each side
of him, continuing meanwhile to blow his cornemuse.
He rapidly descends the path which leads to the cottage,
enters hurriedly and shuts the door.

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SCENA III.—*Entra Corentino.*

Cor.

Sto in casa alfine ! vadano all' inferno
I folletti ed i nani,
Le streghe e i Korigani
Che van vagando qua—
[Guarda intorno inquieto.
M' han detto or ora
Che la dama dei prati
La notte qu' s' aggira,
E che a danzar costringe
L' incauto passegger infin ch' ei spira.
Può aver per me un capriccio.

[Examinandosi con compiacenza.
Non sono brutto affatto,
Son giovine e ben fatto,
Di me si può invaghir—
Ne tremo e raccapriccio,
Mi sembra di svenir !
[La scena s' oscura improvvisamente.
Diavolo ! non so se il dr tramonta,
O s' è un nugol' che passa,
Ma qu' fa buio come in un cammino.
Si batte l' acciarino—
[Batte l' acciarino, e accende un lume.
Ora accendiamo il lume ; ecco ch' è fatto.

[Guarda intorno di nuovo.
Ma seguito a tremare,
Ogni leggier rumore
Raddoppia in me il terrore—
Sono un poltron, lo so.
Dava il cielo a ciascuno in ritaggio
Un umor differente quaggiù ;
V' ha chi brilla d' immezzo coraggio,
Il valor mia virtù—mai non fu.
Mensa regale l' uno vuol ;
L' altro frugale l' ama sol.
Questi nel pianto si smagri ;
Quegli nel riso passa i dì.
E questo—onesto giusto e buon ;
L' altro—più scaltro è briccon.
Dava il cielo a ciascuno in ritaggio, &c.
Un le ragazze seguir vuol ;
L' altro le tazze vuotar suol.
Quell' è meschino senz' amor ;
Quei senza vino langue e muor ;
Uno ha il candore dell' agnel ;
L' altro è nel core tutto fiel.
Dava il cielo a ciascuno in ritaggio, ecc.
Alla fin fine non me ne cala,
Se son poltrone non è un gran male !

[La finestra si apre bruscamente.
Chi è là ! nel mio spavento
Ho creduto un momento
Che la dama dei prati
Fosse entrata in mia casa—E stato il vento.
Ma se, per dissipare la paura,
La cormamusa mia
Mi aiuto chiamassi,
E a me stesso suonassi
L' arie più favorite.

[Va a prendere la cornamusa.
Mezzo non v' ha migliore
D' un tenero concerto.
Per dar un buon umore,
Per vincere lo spavento.
Più solo non son io
Quando ti stringo al petto,
Stromento mio diletto,
Compagno mio fedel !

*Suono un aria sulla cornamusa. DINORAH entra subitamente nella capanna. Il lume si spegne.

SCENE III.—*Enter Corentino.*

Cor.

I'm at home at last ! to the devil, say I,
With the dwarfs and the spirits,
The fairies and the hobgoblins,
That are ever wandering about these parts.

[Looks anxiously around.

Not long since I was informed
That the Lady of the Meadows
Roams nightly in this neighborhood ;
I know that she compels
The unwary traveller to dance until he dies !
Perchance she may take a fancy to me !

[Scrutinizing himself with complacency.

I'm by no means ill-favored ;
Young, well made, too, am I.
'Twere easy to fall in love with me !
The thought makes me shudder with horror.
Methinks I am going to faint !

[The stage becomes suddenly obscured.
I know not whether the day declines,
Or whether it be a passing cloud,
But here all's dark as in a chimney.
Let's strike a light !

[Strikes flint and steel and lights a candle.
Now then to light a candle. That's done !

[Looks around him again.

But still I tremble,
At each slight sound
My fear's redoubled
A coward I am, I know.
Heaven to each mortal hath allotted
A different disposition ;
Some there are pre-eminent for courage
But valor ne'er was quality of mine !
A princely table pleaseth one,
While frugal fare delights another.
Some with grief do pine and sigh,
Whilst others laugh their days away.
This man's honest, just and good,
The other—more cunning, a sad rogue proves !
Heaven to each mortal hath allotted, &c.
One the ladies loves to follow,
To drain the goblet doth please the other.
This man's wretched without love,
Were't not for wine the other would die !
To one an angel's heart is given,
While others' souls o'erflow with malice.
Heaven to each mortal hath allotted, &c.
But after all, what need I care,
If coward I be, 'tis no great crime.

[The window opens suddenly.
Who's there ! In my fright
I really fancied
That the lady of the meadows
My house had entered. 'Twas the wind !
But suppose now, in order to dispel my fear,
I call my pipes to my assistance,
And for mine own self perform
A favorite air or two.

[Takes cornemusa.

A better recipe exists not
Than a mellifluous strain,
For inspiring good humor
And driving away fear.
No longer alone am I,
When to my heart I press thee,
Thou instrument of my delight.
Faithful companion mine !

[Plays an air on the cornemusa. DINORAH suddenly enters the cottage. The light goes out.

LE PARDON DE PLOERMEL.

SCENA IV.—CORENTINO e DINORAH.

- Din. Ancora ! ancora ! ancora !
 Cor. Chi va là !—sono giunto all' ultim' ora !—
 [Cadendo boccone.]
- Din. Suona, suona, bel pastor,
 Suona, suona infin ch' hai fiato,
 Ed un bacio ben di core
 Ti darò dopo suonato.
 Cor. Ah ! dei Nani è la Regina,
 N' odo il riso schernitor.
 Din. E diman che mi fo sposa,
 Senza posa—dei suonar.
 Cor. Buon Gesù, Vergin Maria !
 Ah ! pietà, di me pietà !
 Ne morrò, son ito già !—
 [Suona sulla cornamusa un' aria che DIN. ripete.]
- Din. Una riddal presto ! presto !
 Cor. (Ci mancava ancora questa !
 Per prudenza il deggio far.)
 [Suona un' aria, DIN. la ripete.]
- Din. Solo questo suonar sai ?
 Voglio suoni un po' più gai,
 Presto ! nn' altra, un' altra, un' altra !
 Cor. (Ahi ! son giunto all' ultim' ora
 Vanne, strega, alla malora !—
 Per prudenza ho da suonar.)
 Din. Già le spicche bionde son.
 Cantar s' odono canzon !—
 Quanto strepito e che gente !
 [Cor. cerca d' fuggire. DIN. si slancia su lui e lo ferma sulla soglia.
 Ah ! che veggio ! Hoel sei tu !
 A danzar con me ten vieni—]
 Cor. [Fra sé.] (Se potessi, nn' altra danza
 Io vorrei farti girar !)
 [DIN. prende per mano Cor. e lo costringe a ballare con lei.]

SCENE IV.—CORENTINO and DINORAH

- Din. Once more ! again ! again !
 Cor. Who's there ?
 [Falling with his face to the south
 My last hour is surely come !]
- Din. Play on, good shepherd, play away !
 Play away while breath is left thee,
 And when thy playing shall have ceased,
 A hearty kiss I'll give thee !
 Cor. Ah ! of the hobgoblins this the Queen must be,
 Yes, yes, her mocking langh I hear.
 Din. And as to-morrow is my wedding day,
 Without ceasing must thou play !
 Cor. Heavenly powers, ye saints above,
 Mercy, mercy, I implore !
 'Twill kill me quite, I'm dead already !—
 [Plays on the cornemuse an air, which DIN. repeats.]
- Din. A round ! quick ! quick !
 Cor. Ah ! this alone was wanting—
 But 'tis more prudent to comply.
 [Plays an air, DIN. sings it after him.]
- Din. This tune only dost thou know ?
 Straine I'd have a thought more gay !
 Quick ! quick ! another air I pray !
 Cor. (Alas ! my last hour is near at hand,
 The devil take thee, witch, I say !
 For prudence sake I must obey !)
- Din. White are now the ears of corn,
 Through the air glad songs resound !
 What noise is this—what crowds of people.
 [Cor. attempts to escape. DIN. springs after him and stops him on the threshold.
 Ah ! whom do I see ! Höel is it thou ?
 Come hither then, and dance with me !]
 Cor. [Aside.] Had I my will I'd make thee dance,
 A measure of a different kind !
 [DIN. takes COR. by the hand, and makes him dance with her.]

NON GIOVA INDUGIAR—THEN LET'S BEGIN NOW. DINORAH.

Non gio - va in - dugiar, Con - vien pro - fit - tar, dell'....
 Then let's be - gin now; In this one short hour you....

o - ra che cor - re, dell.... o - ra - che cor - - rel Non....
 may learn the - meas - ure im - - part - ing such pleas - - ure ! Then....

gio - - va non gio - va in - dugiar con - - vien con - vien pro - fi - tar dell'....
 let's be - gin us now; In..... this, this short fleet-ing hour, you....

o - - ra che cor - - - - re, dell' o - ra che cor - - - - re.
 may learn the meas - - - - ure, im - part - ing such pleas - - - - ure.

- Cor. (La deggio appagar,
 Ch' è forza danzar !—
 E niun mi soccorre !)
 Din. La man nella man,
 Si corre lontan.
 Danzando per via.

- Cor. (I must try to appease her,
 To dance I'm compelled !—
 Will no one assist me !)
 Din. Thy hand in mine,
 Far, far, we'll on
 Dancing the road along.

Cor. (Non oso esitar;
Non giova sperar
Che tregua mi dia.)
Din. Tra danze d'amor,
In mezzo ai pastor,
Il male s' obblia.
Cor. (Pregare fia van!
Infino a diman
La stessa' armonia!) [Stanco e varcolando.]
Non c' è che fare!—Deggio crepar
Mi fa suonare—mi fa danzare!—
Ahi! veggo già che Belzebù
Seco all' inferno mi tira giù!
Din. Più palpita il core,
Poi viene un languore
Vi par di sognare.
Cor. E' vano il terror
Non son morto ancor
Mi par di sognare!—
[Cor. si lascia cadere sul seggiolone. DIN. sembra presa dal sonno e s' appoggia dolcemente sulla spalla di lui. A poco a poco s' addormentano ambidue—HOEL viene dal fondo con una bacchetta in mano. S' orizzonta; scorge la capanna di COR.; scende rapidamente pel sentiero che vi conduce, e picchia forte all' uscio. COR. cade a terra e si nasconde dietro il seggiolone. DIN. si rizza, apre la finestra, e si slancia fuori. Il giorno riappaie a poco a poco durante la scena seguente.]

SCENA V.—HOEL e CORENTINO.

Hoel. Ehi di là, vecchio Alano! [Spinge la prota.
Cor. Misericordia! [Spaventato.
Hoel. Non gridar sì forte,
Sono amico d' Alano e vo' parlargli.
Ov' è?
COR. Non saprei dirvi—
Son già quindici dì ch' è trapassato.
Io ch' era suo nipote, ho ereditato
Di questo casolare
Che venni ieri solo ad abitare.
Hoel. [Fra sè.] (Alano non è più! destin crudele!
Io che su lui contava pel tesoro)—
M' odi: [Picchiandogli sulla spalla.
Cor. [Atterrito.] Che!—che volete?
Hoel. Perchè tremi così?
Cor. Ah! non sapete? ! Con mistero.
Pocanzi è qui venuta—
Pocanzi ho qui veduta—
Hoel. Chi?
COR. La dama dei prati!
Hoel. Visione!
Cor. Se non era la regina
Degli spettri e della danza,
Le somiglia—a meraviglia
N' ha il parlar, n' ha la sembianza;
A suonare m' ha costretto,
M' ha voluto far danzar—
Ah! non ho più lena in petto
Dal girare e dal suonar.
Hoel. Son sogni! fantasie!
Cor. Ma s' era là.
Hoel. Follie!
Suvvia! per discacciar sì nere idee
Cenar si dee—se vòta è la tua borsa,
Se a secco è la cantina,
Nell' osteria vicina
Vanne a cercar del vin.
Cor. Ma! e come?
Hoel. Ecco un scudo.
Cor. Veggo che l' argomento è convincente!

Cor. (I dare not pause,
Nor is there a hope
That a respite she'll give me!)
Din. 'Mid loving dances,
Among shepherd swains,
Care's soon forgot.
Cor. (Entreaties are vain!
Till day-break to-morrow
This strain will continue.
[Tired and tottering.] There's no help for it—lie I must
She makes me play—she makes me dance!—
I clearly see that Belzebù
Doth drag me straight to his abode!
Hoel. The heart beats more quickly,
A languor ensues,
And all seems a dream.
My terror is vain,
I'm not quite dead yet,
I seem in dream!
[COR. falls into the arm-chair. DIN appears overcome by sleep, and allows her head to recline gently on COR.'s shoulder. Both gradually fall asleep. HOEL appears at back of the stage, with a staff in his hand; he perceives COR.'s cottage, rapidly descends the path leading thereto, and knocks loudly at the door. COR. falls on the ground, and conceals himself behind the arm-chair. DIN. rises, opens the window, and jumps out of it. Daylight gradually returns during the ensuing scene.]

SCENE V.—HOEL and CORENTINO.

Hoel. [Knocking at the door.] Within there, old Alano!
Cor. [Terrified.] Mercy on me!
Hoel. Exclaim not so loudly,
Alano's friend am I, and fain would speak with him.
Where is he?
Cor. I cannot tell you—
'Tis fourteen days now since he died.
I, his nephew, have inherited this tenement,
Wherein but yesterday I came to dwell.
Hoel. [Aside.] (Alano is no more! Ah! cruel fate!
I, who for the treasne, did rely on him.)
Hear me! [Clapping COR. on the shoulder.
Cor. [Alarmed.] What is't?—what would ye?—
Hoel. Why tremblest thou thus?
Cor. Ah! thou know'st not. [Mysteriously.
Just now, there hither came—
Just now I here did see—
Hoel. Whom? What?
The lady of the meadows.
Cor. Mere fancy
Cor. If she were not the Queen
Of hobgoblins and of dancing too,
Why then in speech and look
Most marvellously did she resemble her,
She forced me to play—
She compelled me to dance,—
Ah! what with twirling, what with piping,
No breath is in my body left.
Hoel. Chimeras, fancies these!
But when I tell you she was there—
Hoel. Nonsense!
A truce to this!
In order such notions to dispel—
We'd better sup! If thy purse be empty,
Or, perchance, thy cellar bare,
Haste thee forth to fetch some wine.
But how?
Hoel. Here, take this crown.
Cor. The argument, I own, is most convincing!

Huel. [Pensoso.] E l' ultimo ! che importa a chi domani
Potrà prendere l' oro a piene mani !
Cor. A piene mani l' oro !
Huel. (Ci cade.) Va ; discorrerem bevendo.

Cor. (Dell' oro.) Vado, e torno qui correndo.
[Esce in fretta.]

SCENA VI.—HOEL, solo.

Hœl. Se per prender dei dèmoni il tesoro
Un di noi perir dee, morrà costui.
Per te, per te, amor mio
In vita, o Dinorah, restar vog' io.
Magia, magia possente, ebbrezza del mio cor,
Delirio seducente, prestigio incantator,
Sull' ali del desio portati via da me,
Il rimorso e il terror, lenite il dolor mio
Tornate al cor la fè.
Ricchezze sconosciute nell' ombra contenute,
Tesor che Dio celò
Cho Dio quaggiù rinserra,
Sepolti nella terra, ove i suoi raggi il sol
Spingere mai non suol !
Il tetto mio paterno abbandonai per l' or,
Le fiamme dell' inferno sentiva nel mio cor.
In preda a río dolor
Da un anno sto a penare
Gli istanti a numerare
E notte e di — sempre così
Vegliando aspetto e spero.
Alfin l' ora è suonata !
Oh sorte ! Sol degg' io
Stender la mano, ed il tesoro è mio !

Hoel. [Thoughtfully.] 'Tis the last! What matters that to one
Whose hands to-morrow will be filled with gold.
Cor. Filled with gold!
Hoel. [Aside.] The bait attracts him. [Aloud.] Go! we'll
talk of this while drinking!
Cor. [Aside.] (Gold!) [Aloud.] I go and quickly hasten
back again! {Exit, hastily.

SCENE VI.—HOEL, alone.

Hoel. If, in order to wrest from the demons their treasure
One of us must perish, 'tis he shall die !
For thee, for thee, beloved Dinorah,
Alive would I remain.
Magic, potent magic ! Enchantress of my heart,
Intoxicating delirium, enchanting delusion,
On the wings of expectation,
Waft thou far from me all terror and remorse ;
Lighten thou my anguish, restore faith to my heart.
O ye riches unknown, 'mid dark gloom immured,
Treasures which Heaven hath concealed,
Deep buried in the earth,
Down, down, where the sun's rays
Ne'er penetrate.
The paternal roof for gold have I abandoned,
The flames of hell I've felt within my heart.
A prey to cruel cares
A whole year have I languished,
The moments ceaselessly enumerating,
Both night and day ;—thus, ever waking,
Do I await and hope !
At last the hour hath come !
Oh fate ! I've only to extend my hand,
And mine the treasure becomes !

DELL' ORO, DELL' OR! OF GOLD, OF GOLD! HOEL.

A musical score for a vocal performance, likely a duet or solo with accompaniment. The score consists of four staves of music with lyrics in both English and Italian. The key signature changes throughout the piece, indicated by various sharps and flats. The vocal parts are in soprano range, and the accompaniment part is in basso continuo range. The lyrics describe gold, pearls, and a king's wealth, followed by a declaration of faith and richness.

Dell' oro, dell' orl An - co - ra ed an-cor!
Of gold.... of gold, In sums un - told,
Ric - chezze, te - sor già
Pearls and ru - bies bright, Se-

ven - go-no fu-or.
ore - ted from sight,
I bei scu-di d'or Ch' han tan-to va - lor,
An - ti-qua-ted coin, Deem'd for-ev-er gone,
Si, tut-to, tut-to in mia fè,
Yes, by my faith, 'tis mine a-lone,

Si, tut-to, tut-to è per mel Sa - ro al - fi - ne più ric - eo d'un fe,
Yes, by my faith, 'tis mine alone! Ah! behold me richer than king on his throne, more rich than a king, a king!
plu ric - eo d'un re, d'un re!

So - lo per te che a - do - - ro
Dear-est, these treasures rich and glow - - ing,
Io cer - co quel te - so -
This heart with thoughts of thee o'er -

ro.....
flow - - - - - ing,
Nol bramo che per te che per te
Nev - er hath de-sired mine to be,
Per met - ter - - lo
On - ly to be - stow

A tuo piè per met - ter - lo a tuo piè!..... So - lo per
all on thee, on - ly to be - stow all on thee..... Dear-est, these
te che a - do - - - ro. Io cer - co quel te - so - -
treas - ures rich and glar - - - ing, This heart with thoughts of thee o'er -
ro.... Nol bra-mo che per te per met-ter - - - lo al tuo piè. Dell'
flow-ing, Ne'er de-sired to pos-sess, but sole - ly to bring them to thee! Of
Tempo 1mo.
o - ro dell' or! An - co - ra ed an - cor'l Ric - chezze, te - sor già
gold..... of gold, in sums..... un - told, Pearls and ru - bies bright, Se -
ven - go - no fu - ror. I bei seu - di d'or Ch' han tan - to va - lor.
cre - ted from sight. Coins old and rare, Long for - got - ten there.
.... Si, tut-to in mia fè, si, tut-to in mia fè, si.... tut - to è per me.
.... 'Tis all my own, 'tis all my own, all mine a - lone! Ah! 'tis mine a - lone!

SCENA VII.—CORENTINO ed HOEL.

- Cor.* Eccomi! se tardai
Non è mia colpa. L'osteria trovai
Piena di gente. È natural; domani
E il giorno del Perdono.
Intesi a conversar tutti là sono.
Hoel. [Pensoso.] Alla chiesa del villaggio
Or fa un anno, il veggio ancor,
Pel divin pellegrinaggio
N' andavamo—ebbri d' amor
Scioglievamo—i sacri canti
Alla Madre del Signor.
Cor. [Fa sè.] Non l' intendo affatto affatto—
[Apparecchiando la cena.]
Parla solo come un matto.
Hoel. [Come sopra.] Quando un turbine repente
A interromper vien la festa;
Imperversa la tempesta,
Rugge il tuono orribilmente.
Dal terror Dinorah sviene—
Il mio braccio la sostiene.
Cor. Ma di grazia, mi spiegate,
Di chi mai, di chi parlate.
Hoel. Dal fulmine colpita
La capanna del padre è incenerita—
Dinorah sventurata!
Eccola condannata—allà miseria!—
Cor. La cosa divien seria!
Hoel. [Sedendo.] Tonick allora, il vecchio del villaggio
A me s' appressa e dice:
“Se povera divien Dinorah tna
Io ricco ti farò; dammi la mano;

SCENE VII.—CORENTINO and HOEL.

- Cor.* Here I am! if I have tarried
"Twas no fault of mine. I found the hostelry
Quite filled with people. 'Twas natural enough,
For to-morrow is the day of the Pilgrimage.
Hoel. [Thoughtfully.] A year ago, as for the holy pilgrimage,
our way we wended
Unto the village church,—methinks I see it now,—
With pious love elated we chanted sacred hymns
Unto the Virgin Mother.
Cor. I understand him not a whit!
Insanely to himself he talks!
Hoel. [As above.] When suddenly a storm
Did interrupt our festival;
The rain in torrents poured,
The thunder rolled with hideous roar,
With terror Dinorah swooned,
And 'twas my arm that did support her.
Cor. But explain, I do implore thee,
What is it thou talk'st about?
Hoel. By lightning struck,
Her father's cottage was consumed.
Luckless Dinorah!
Behold her doomed—to misery!
Cor. The affair grows serious.
Hoel. [Sitting down.] 'Twas then that Tonick, the old vil -
lager,
Drew near to me and said—
“If poor thy Dinorah hath become,

Un anno intero a vivere lontano
 Dagli uomini ne andremo,
 In fondo ai boschi : ma no 'l sappia alcuno !
 Al termine d' un anno
 L' ora suonar s' udrà,
 La croce brillerà
 Ed il tesoro è là."

Cor. Qual tesoro ?

Hoel. Un di quelli
 Che numerosi nani
 E gnomi e Korigani
 Difendono nell' ombra e nel mistero.
Cor. [Spaventato.] Ah ! diamine !
Hoel. Mesciamo—
 Alla salute tua !

Cor. Grazie ! alla vostra ! [Urta il suo bicchiere a quello di Cor.
Hoel. Un anno inter lontano
 Cou lui mi tenni dal consorzio umano,
 L' anno è compito.

Cor. Ed il tesoro ?
Hoel. [Versandogli da bere.] Ahimè ! Se pria del dì segnato non moria ! Tonick diviso insiem con me l' avrà. Pazienza ! l' ora è giunta. Parmi d' udire ancora La capra bianca ed il sonaglio d' oro Che guida a me saranno.

Cor. Ed il tesoro ?
Hoel. Trovarlo al noto loco Saprò—Tonick mi disse : " Da Satana ti guarda E dagl' inganni suoi. Se la tua mano è tarda, L' oro trovar non puoi. Le sortilegi e incanti Egli raddoppierà, Non t' arrestar, va innanti, Il ciel t' assisterà ! Se credi il padre tuo veder che muore, Se la madre, trafitta dal dolore, Se l' amata che piange e chiede amore, Infernal menzogna, Prestigio ed error Mentitor— D' uom che sogna, Folle error Che appar e dispar !"

Cor. Ma se un demonio allora A voi si mostrava ?
Hoel. Tonick mi disse ancora Le parole di rito Ascolta, eccole quà : " Via fuggite, spettri vani Voi guardiani—di quest' or, Negli specchi più lontani Vi celate, uscite fuor Quando suona mezzanotte, Che la croce brillerà, E che il gallo cantera, Mio diviene quel tesor. Fuggi, arretrati, Satanno Tutto mio sarà quell' or !"

Cor. Vorresta a me ripeterle Un' altra volta ancor ?

Hoel. [Ripete le parole.] Via fuggite spettri vani, ecc.

Cor. Voi dunque siete certo ?

[Le dice anch' esso per mettersele nella memoria.

Hoel. Il giorno è giunto La capra bianca vedi, colsi il ramo, Ed ora più g' istanti non perdiamo.

I'll undertake to make thee rich—give me thy land,
 A whole year will we live remote from men,
 In forest depths obscure,—but mark ! none this must
 know !

When the year shall have expired
 The hour will strike,
 The fiery cross will gleam,
 And *there* the treasure will be !

Cor. What treasure ?

Hoel. One of those,
 Which dwarfs in crowds,
 And gnomes and Korigans
 'Mid gloom and mystery defend.

Cor. [Alarmed.] The devil !

Hoel. Let's drink together ! Here's to thy health !

[Approaches his glass to that of Cor.
Cor. Thanks ! I drink to yours. [Drinks.
Hoel. One entire year did I remain
 With him, remote from human intercourse ;
 The year is now expired !

Cor. And the treasure ?
Hoel. [Helping him to more wine.] Alas !

Had not Tonick died before the appointed day,
 We should betwixt us have divided it.

But, patience !—the hour hath come ! [Rising
 Methinks I hear
 The white goat with the golden bells,
 Which is as guide to serve me !

Cor. And the treasure ?
Hoel. To find it at the appointed place.

Full well I'll know—Tonick said to me .
 " Beware of Satan and his wiles !

If thy hand hesitate
 The gold thou wilt not find,
 His spells and incantations
 The Evil One will then redouble !
 Hold not thy hand, but boldly on,
 And Heaven will aid thee !
 Should'st thou, in fancy, see thy father dying,
 Or thine own mother overcome by grief,
 Should e'en thy lov'd one pass, in tears, thy love
 imploring,

Beware ! Abhorred phantoms these,
 Mere tricks and lying snares,
 Unreal as is a dream ,
 Delusive fancies
 That appear, and straight
 Are seen no more !"

Cor. But should some devil
 Rise up before thee !

Hoel. Tonick e'en told me,
 The words with which to exorcise him.

" Listen !—they are these :
 " Hence ! hence ! vain spectres,
 Guardians of this gold !
 In your remotest caves conceal yourselves !
 So soon as midnight shall have tolled,
 And the fiery cross shall shine,
 When, too, the cock his note hath sung,
 The treasure then will mine become !
 Avant thee, Satan ! get thee back,—
 This gold shall all be mine !"

Cor. Will you these words repeat to me
 Yet once again ?

Hoel. [Repeats the words.] " Hence ! vain spectre," etc.

Cor. [Who also repeats them in order to fix them in his mem-
 ory.] You then are certain ?

Hoel. The day hath come !
 I've seen the white goat ; the bough too have I plucked,
 The moments therefore let's no longer waste.

[Durante queste ultime parole Din. è apparsa alla finestra; getta nella camera un mazzolino di fiori di prato, va in uno scroscio di riso, e disparsa.]

Cor. Che fu ?
Hoel. Silenzio ! è desso ! [Raccattando il mazzolino.
 E quel folletto stesso
 Che mi protegge e al più mi getta fiori,
 Possente talisman contro i demoni.
Cor. [Fra sè.] (Della dama dei prati
 Io pavento gli agguati.)
Hoel. Ebben ? seguir mi vuoi ?
 Risolviti—quell' oro
 Con me divider puoi.
Cor. [A parte.] (Dividere un tesoro
 Perchè vuol mai con me ?)
 La cosa è ben sicura ?
 Un tesor ?
Hoel. [Versandogli da bere.] Bevi ancor.
 (Io non ci credo ancor.)
Hoel. Divider lo poss' io.
Cor. Un tesoro !
Hoel. Sì, un tesor !
 Il mio labbro a te lo giura.
 La tua man.
Cor. La mano ?
Hoel. Sì,
 Ma perchè tremar così.
Cor. E la cosa ben sicura ?—
 [Accostandosi alla finestra.
 Non vedete ?—il ciel s' abbruna.
Hoel. Ma fra poco vien la luna
 Che guidare ci dovrà.
Cor. Dunque andiamo. A me la mano !
 Aspettate—piano piano.
 Vo' venir—ma per partire
 Un bicchiere—giòva bere !
Hoel. Bevi, se il vuoi,
Cor. Ah ! mi fa rabbia
 Che più valor
 Non ho nel cor !
 Un tesor ?
Hoel. Sì un tesor, ecc.
Cor. [Inpendo.] Or son pronto, vo' venire
 Mi diè il vino un po' d' ardore
 Andiamo, su ;—non tremo più.
A 2. Senz' indugiar
 Senza girar,
 Indietro i nostri sguardi :
 Andiamo, ch' è tardi
 Pensarci che val !
 Al vallo infernal
 I passi volgiamo.
 Andiamo—corriam !
Hoel. [Trascinando Cor.] Andiam !
Cor. [Risoluto.] Andiam.
Hoel. Mi segui e non temere.
 [Al momento che sono per uscir, s' ode la campanella della capra.
Cor. Uditè ? non vi pare
 Che s' ode tintinnare
 La campanella d' oro ?
Hoel. E la capra che al sito ov' è il tesoro
 Entrambi dèe guidare.
 [Din. appare sulla collina.

SCENA ULTIMA.—DINORAH, HOEL, CORENTINO.

Din. Odo la mia capretta,
 Alfin, Bellah, t' avrò !

[Sino alla fine della scena si sentirà agitare il sonaglio della capra. Il tintinnio si perde a poco, a poco, in distanza.]

[During the last words, Din. has appeared at the window ; she throws into the room a bouquet of wild flowers, bursts forth into a wild laugh, and disappears.]

Cor. What was that ?
Hoel. Hush ! 'tis there ! [Picking up a nosegay.
 'Tis the very spirit
 That doth protect me, and who at my feet
 Now throweth flowers, a potent charm 'gainst demons.
Cor. [Aside.] (Of the Lady of the Meadows,
 The snares I much do dread.)
Hoel. Well ! wilt follow me ?
 Decide ! This gold
 Thou canst divide with me.
Cor. [Aside.] (Why should he wish
 This treasure to divide with me !)
 But is the matter really certain—
 A treasure sayest thou—
Hoel. [Pouring him out more wine.] Druy yet more—
Cor. (The fact as yet I don't believe)—
Hoel. I can share it if I please :
Cor. A treasure !
Hoel. Yes, a treasure !
 This I swear to thee !
 Thy hand—
Cor. My hand ?
Hoel. Yes !
 But why dost tremble thus ?
Cor. Is the matter then quite certain ?
 [Approaching the window.
 See you not—the sky's o'erclouded—
Hoel. No matter ! soon the moon will rise,
 The moon—which is to guide us—
 Then let us on ! thy hand now give me.
Cor. Stay yet awhile, not quite so fast—
 I'll come, but—ere we start,
 Another glass 'twere well to take !
Hoel. Drink, an' it so please thee !
Cor. It enrages me to think
 That more courage
 Dwells not within my heart.
Cor. A treasure !
Hoel. Yes, a treasure, &c.
Cor. [Approaching his glass to that of Hoel.] Now I'm
 ready, and will come,
 To me the wine hath valor given,
 Come then, let's on—I quake no more !
Both. A truce to delay,
 Nor will we e'er cast
 E'en one glance behind us !
 On, on ! it grows late,
 To think on't now availeth nought,
 To the haunted vale
 Our steps we will bend,
 On, on ! let us haste !
Hoel. [Drawing onward Cor.] Let us on !
Cor. [Resolutely.] Let us on !
Hoel. Then follow me, cast fear aside !
 [Just as they are going out, the goat's bell is heard.
Cor. Hark ! seems it not to thee
 As though thou heard'st the tinkle
 Of the golden bell ?
Hoel. 'Tis the goat that is to lead us
 To the spot where lies the treasure !
 [Din. appears on the hill

SCENE THE LAST.—DINORAH, HOEL, CORENTINO.

Din. My goat I hear,
 At length, Bellah, I've found thee !

[The goat's bell is heard to tinkie until the end of this scene when its sound gradually dies away in the distance.]

- Hoel.* Il tintinnar ch' odo echeggiar
Non par opra infernale ;
La capra è là. Vieni per quâ,
Più l'indugiar non vale.
- Cor.* Il tintinnar ch' odo echeggiar
Mi sembra opra infernale.
Chi mai di là ci tira!
Un tremito m' assale !
- Din.* Il tintinnar ch' odo echeggiar
Non par opra d' incanto ;
Sì sì, è Bellâh che corre là,
Son presto a lei d' accanto !
- Hoel e Cor.* T' è forza venir.
Cor. Non vo' più venir.
Din. L' istante cogliam.
Hoel. Sonaglio d' or, risuona ancor,
E il nostro passo guida !
Ah ! scuro è il ciel ed ogni stel
Al vento par che strida.
- [*S' odo soffiare il vento tra le foglie.*
- Din.* Sonaglio d' or, risuona ancor,
Ed il mio passo guida !
Bisogna andar non più tardar
La troverò la prenderò !
- Hoel.* Inoltriamoci nel bosco
Mentre il cielo è ancora fosco.
Bisogna andar non esitar.
Meco ti' vo' ti guiderò.
- [*Hoel trascina Cor. fuori della capanna.*
- Cor.* Bisogna andar non c' è che far
Dirgli di no più non potrò.
Che scuro cielo ! Ho in core un gelo !
Sento il terrore stringermi il core.
- [*Si sente fischiare il vento nelle foglie.*
- Din.* Piano, pianino ! Suono argentino
A te il mio cor s' affida. Conto su te
Guida il mio pie e Dio dal ciel m' arrida !
- Cor.* Ahi me meschino ! Pormi in cammino
Vorrei, ma chi mi guida ? vacilla il piè
Fermo non è, il ciel fausto m' arrida !
- Hoel.* Presto in cammino ! Quell' argentino
Suono ci sarà guida. Vieni con me
Temer non de' colui che a me s' affida.
- Din.* Qual piacer ! qual piacer !
Ch' io la possa riveder !
- Hoel.* Vieni, avanziamo,
Canti inoltriamo,
Andiamo—giù nel bosco
Mentre che il cielo è fosco.
- Cor.* San Corentino ! San Valentino ! San Niccolò !
San Barnabò ! San Clestino ! Sant' Agostino !
Santi del cielo pietà di me !
- [*Hoel trascina Cor. Din. sparisce dietro le rocce.*

FINE DELL' ATTO PRIMO.

ATTO II.

LA NOTTE.

*Un bosco di betulle, schiarate dalla luna.*SCENA I.—*Legnaiuoli, che vengono dalla taverna.*

- Coro.* Com'è buono ! com'è buono !
Il vin schietto
Che il compare Ivon ci dà.
Doman giorno di perdonio
Udî, udâ, udâ
Doman, festa di prechetto
Via la noia, su il diletto !

- Hoel.* The tinkling tones which meet my ear,
Have nought infernal in their sound ;
The goat is there, come then—this way—
Delay availeth not !
- Cor.* The tinkling tones which meet mine ear,
Infernal sounds appear ;
Whoe'er will help us out of this,
I quake—I quake with fear !
- Din.* The tinkling tones which meet mine ear,
No magic sounds are they ;
Yes, 'tis Bellâh, she yonder runs,
Soon by her side I'll be.
- Hoel to Cor.* Come now thou must.
Cor. Come I will not.
Din. By this moment will I profit.
Hoel. O golden bell, sound, sound again,
And guide our wand'ring steps ;
The heavens are dark, no star is seen,
The wind makes hollow moan !
- [*The wind is heard sighing amid the trees*
- Din.* O golden bell, sound, sound again,
And guide my wand'ring steps !
On must I haste, nor time thus waste,
I'll find her yet !
- Hoel.* To the wood then let us hie,
While murky gloom o'erclouds the sky.
On, onward we must, nor hesitate thus,
Come with me ! I'll guide thee !
- [*Hoel drags Cor. out of the cottage*
- Cor.* There's nought to be done, go with him I must ;
To gainsay him now I ne'er should be able.
How dark is the sky ! Icy cold is my heart
With terror and fright, 'tis sorely oppressed.
- [*The wind is again heard whistling among the trees*
- Din.* Softly, softly, silvery sound,
In thee my heart doth fondly trust, on thee I rely,
Guide thou my steps, may heaven its help extend me
- Cor.* Ah ! woe is me, I'd gladly start,
But who's to help me on ? my tottering feet
Do hesitate ; O gracious heaven assist me !
- Hoel.* Quick, quick, let's on ! That silvery sound
To us a guide shall be, come thou with me !
He ne'er should fear who trusts himself to me !
- Din.* What pleasure ! what pleasure !
Bellah I once more may see.
- Hoel.* Come, let us advance,
With caution we our way will take,
To the wood then let us hie,
While murky night o'erclouds the sky !
- Cor.* Saint Corentin ! Saint Valentine ! Saint Nicholas !
Saint Barnabas ! Saint Celestine ! Saint Augustine
O all ye saints in heaven, have mercy pray on me !
- [*Hoel drags Cor off. Din. disappears behind the rocks*

END OF THE FIRST ACT.

ACT II.

NIGHT.

*A wood of Birch-trees.—Moonlight.*SCENE I.—*Woodcutters coming from the Tavern*

- Cho.* How good ! how good !
Is the pure wine
Which neighbor Ivon gives us !
Of the pilgrimage, to-morrow will be the day,
Ding dong, ding dong,
To-morrow we hold our yearly feas,
Then banish care, let joy aboun' !

SCENA II.—*Un Capraio giovinetto.*

Rivolgendosi ai legnaiuoli, ed alle donne che arrivano in scena.

Il capraio. Ditemi buona gente—

Vedeste Dinorah ?
Sì lungo tempo assente
Nascosta ove sarà ?
Povera figlia ! l' ho cercata tanto !
L' infelice è demente l
Il sarto Perronick, da lei respinto,
Per vendetta le disse,
Ch' Hoël suo fidanzato, era sparito,
Nè più tornar dovea—

La poverina il senno ne perdea.
Da quel dì che a lei narrata
Fu la storia menzognera,
Ogni dì, da man a sera
Del suo sposo in traccia va.

Da quel dì la sventurata
Spera, e crede al suo ritorno—
Tornerà l' infido un giorno,
La ragion non tornerà.

Coro. Tornerà l' infido un giorno
La ragion non tornerà.

Il capraio. Fanciulle che il core

Schiudete all' amore
Badate, badate !
Incaute non state !
Il senno e l' amore
Insiem non stan bene ;
Appena uno viene
Che l' altro sen va.

Coro. L' amore sen viene,
Il senno sen va !

Il capraio. Povera Dinorah ! di senno priva
Or piange, or è giuliva,
Lagrime e riso alterna, danze e canto.
Egli non torna intanto,
Ed ella aspetta abbandonata e sola !
S' asconde in fondo ai boschi, e a noi s' invola.

L' infido che amore
V' accesse nel core,
Sparisce un bel giorno,
Nè più fa ritorno.
Allora l' incauta
Avvedesi alfine,
Che cinta è di spine
La rosa d' amor !

Coro. E cinta di spine
La rosa d' amor !

Tutti Dinorah ! Dinorah ! perché t' ascondi ?
Ritorna in mezzo a noi !
Dinorah ! dove corri ? a noi rispondi
Perchè venir non vuoi ?
[*S' allontanano chiamando a voce alta Dinorah.*

SCENA III.—*DINORAH, arriva correndo.*

Din. Dov' è Hoël ! ah ! dov' è Hoël !
Qui m' aspetta il mio fedel—
[Guardando intorno.

Ma no, qui non veggio alcuno
Non trovo nessuno
M' han tutti lasciata.
Ahimè ! [Si abbandona su d' un sasso.
Il ciglio perchè
Di pianto si bagna
Qual nuovo dolor,
Fa mesto il mio cor !

SCENE II.—*Enter a young Goat-herd.*

Goat-herd addressing the Woodcutters and Peasant women, who now appear on the stage.

Tell me, worthy folks,
Dinorah have ye seen,
Long absent has she been,
Where can she have concealed herself ?
Poor girl ! I long have sought her,
The luckless one is mad,
The tailor Perronick, whose suit she did repel,
To be revenged informed her
That Hoël—her betrothed—had disappeared,
And would return no more !

Through this, the unhappy maid her reason lost !
From the hour in which this fiction,
This tale, most false, to her was told,
Each day, from morn to eve,
Her bridegroom she doth vainly seek.

From that time forth, the ill-starred girl
Hopes on, and looks for his return ;
The false one will one day return,
Her reason will return no more !

Cho. The false one will one day return,
Her reason will return no more !

Goat-herd. Oh maideus, ye whose hearts

To love perchance incline,
Beware ! beware !
Pray have a care !
For Love and Reason,
Seldom do agree ;
No sooner doth the one arrive
Than straight the other disappears !

Cho. When Love arrives,
Then Reason straight doth disappear !

Goat-herd. Poor Dinorah ! of sense bereft,
At one moment weeps, anon she doth rejoice,
Tears and laughter, dance and song in turns succeed
Meanwhile, he returneth not,
And she waits on, abandoned and alone !
In forest depths she hides, and seeks to escape us.

The false one, who love
In your heart hath awakened,
One day disappears,
Nor comes he again.
Ah, then the unwary maid
At length doth perceive,
That the fair rose of love
Is surrounded by thorns !

Cho. That the fair rose of love
Is surrounded by thorns !

All. Dinorah ! Dinorah ! why thus conceal thyself ?
Return unto us !
Dinorah ! whither hastenest thou ! Reply
Wherefore wilt' not come ?

[They withdraw, loudly calling Dinorah.

SCENE III.—*Enter DINORAH, running*

Din. Where is Hoël ! ah ! where is Hoël !
My faithful one awaits me here—

[Looking round

But no ! no one see I here—
No one can I find,
All ! all have left me.
Ah, woe is me ! [Sinks dejectedly upon a stone
Why are mine eyes
Thus bathed in tears ?
What new grief is this
That saddens thus my heart ?

L' INCANTATORE DELLA MONTAGNA—THE WIZARD ON THE MOUNTAIN. DINORAH.

L'in - can - ta - to - re del-la mon - tag - na del - la mon - tag - na Sda-
 The wiz - ard on the moun - tain dwell-ing, on moun - tain dwell ing, While

mò, leg - gen - do nella mia man; leg - gen - do nella mia man;
 gaz - ing on my hand did say, while gaz - ing on my hand;

"Po - ve - ro fio - re del-la Bat - tag - na Sa - ral dal ge - lo col-to do - man,
 Poor lit - tle flower, thy buds now swell - ing, To - mor-row's blast shall rend a - way,

sa - rai dal gelo col - to do - man, do - man, do - man".....
 To - mor-row's blast shall rend a - way, So soon! a - las!.....

L' usignuolino di duol gemendo
 Il mio dolore gravando vien,
 In sua favella così dicendo !
 " Non v' è più amore! non v' è più imen!"
 [Guardando intorno con timore.] Ahimè ! che notte oscura !
 Fra le tenebre errar mi fa paura !—
 [Un raggio di luna proietta l' ombra ai suoi piedi.] O gioia ! alfin più sola non son io
 Buon'd ! fedele mis' compagna e amica !
 Venuto qui tu sei
 Per imparar da me,
 Quel che cantare e che danzar tu dei,
 Alle mie nozze con Hoël dimani.
 [Alla sua ombra.]

The little wren is softly singing, so soft and low,
 Conceal'd among the wayside flowers,
 To me his song seems ever ringing
 Farewell to love and happy hours !
 [Looking timidly around her.] Alas ! how murky is the night !
 I fear me thus to wander 'mid its gloom !
 [A gleam of moonshine now casts her shadow at her feet.] O joy ! alone am I no longer !
 Good day to thee ! my true and faithful friend !
 Thon'rt hither come
 To learn from me,
 How thou should'st sing and dance
 To-morrow—at my wedding with Hoël !
 [To her shadow]

OMBRA LEGGIERA—LIGHT FLITTING SHADOW. DINORAH.

Om-bra leg - gie - ra Non - te n'an - dar.... Non t'in - vo - lar, No, no, no, Fa - ta o chi-
 Light flit-ting shad - ow, Com-pa-ni-on gay.... Go not a - way ! No, no, no ! Dear sprite or

me - ra sei lusing - hie - ra, Non t'invo - lar, No, no, no, Ombra a me ca - ra Cor - ria-mo a
 fai - ry, Or vis-ion air - y, Go not a - way ! No, no, no ! Play here be - side me, Dark fears be-

ga - ra, re-sta con me Al mio pié! Ah!..... non t'in - - vo - lar.... Non t'involarl
 tide me, When thou dost go Far from me! Ah!..... go not..... a - way,... go not away !

Ad ogni aurora ti vo' trovar
 Deh resta ancora, vieui a danzar.
 Se resterai se non t'en vai,
 M' udrai cantar—così !
 [Siede e si china come per parlare all' ombra che si delegua
 a suoi piedi.]

Each coming morn I thee would find,
 Ah pri' thee stay and dance with me !
 If thou wilt stay, nor go away,
 Thon thus shalt hear me sing.
 [She sits down and stoops forward, as though to speak to
 the shadow which is projected at her feet.]

Non sai ch' Hoël mi ama ?
Che sposa mi chiama ?
Lagar sepe amor
Il suo al mio cor !
[Una nuvola passa, l' ombra sparisce.
Ma già ti nascondi !
Perchè vuoi partire ?
Ah ! dimmi, rispondi,
Così non fuggir !
[Guardando intorno con terrore.
Quì sola soletta
Nel buio son già,
Deh' torna, t' affretta—
[La luna riappare, e con essa l' ombra.
Ah brava ! sei quâ—
Ingrata, e tu potesti
Così da me fuggir !
Ombra leggera, ecc. | Si allontana.

SCENA IV.—Una landa deserta, che si estende a perdita di sguardo fino al mare. Qua e la grandi pietre druidiche. In fondo un burrone, di cui un albero rovesciato riunisce i due capi. Più lontano un largo stagno cinto di canne. Le acque sono ritenute da argini che impediscono di traboccare e d' inondare la landa. E' notte oscura piena. Qualche baleno solca l' orizzonte. Il vento soffia. Spessi nugoli corrono il cielo.

HOËL e CORENTINO.

Hoël. T' inoltra.
Cor. Son con voi.
Hoël. Questo è il burrone ;
Siam quinti.
Cor. Il ciel s' annera,
Non oso più avanzar.
Hoël. Somiglia al cielo
Dell' anno scorso, il giorno del Perdono.
Cor. Ehi ! piove.
Hoël. Temi forse d' annegarti ?
Cor. Ma l' argine può rompersi al torrente.
Hoël. Odi ! [S' ode suonar l' ora.
Cor. Son undici ore.
Hoël. A mezzanotte
Vedrai la croce sfogliorar. Mi segui.
Cor. Se v' aspettassi qui ?
Hoël. [Volendo trascinarlo.] Vieni, poltrone !
Cerchiam la via che mena giù al burrone.
Cor. S' andaste solo ; vi sarei d' impaccio.
Hoël. Vieni ; serba in tua mano
Questo' piccolo ramo ; è un talismano.
[Gli dà il ramo di nocciuolo.

SCENA V.—CORENTINO solo.

Cor. Non c' è che dir ! E bello aver coraggio !
Seguirlo anch' io vorrei,
Ma non oso—E sul ponte—
Il varca—O cielo !
L'ha varcato !—Or son solo !—
Ho in core un gelo.
Ah ! che terrore !
Ah ! qual tremore !
Cantiamo un pò per prendere vigore.
[Canta presto, ed a voce alta, per darsi coraggio.
Ci destiamo, spunta il dì,
Suona postica mezzo dì—
Alla sera si è così

Know'st thou not that Hoël loves me ?
That as his bride he claims me !
Love well hath known
Our two hearts to unite !
[A cloud passes over the moon—the shadow disappears
Already thou hid'st thyself,
Why wilt thou begone ?
Reply then, pray tell me
Why flee from me thus ?
[Looking around her in terror.
Alone—all alone,
In the darkness am I,
Return then—ah ! haste thee,
[The moon reappears, and with it the shadow.
Ah welcome ! thou'rt there !
And could'st thou, ungrateful,
Away from me fly ?
O shadow light, &c. | She withdraws.

SCENE IV.—A desert plain, extending itself as far as the eye can reach in the direction of the sea. Here and there large Druidical stones; at back, a ravine, the two sides of which are united by an uprooted tree; farther on, a large pond surrounded by reeds, the waters thereof are enclosed by sluices which prevent them from overflowing and inundating the plain. The night is pitchy dark. Lightnings occasionally illumine the horizon. The wind moans. Thick clouds traverse the heavens.

HOËL and CORENTINO.

Hoël. Advance, I say.
Cor. I'm close at hand.
Hoël. This is the ravine.
We've reached our destination !
Cor. The heavens are black.
I dare advance no farther.
Hoël. Just such a sky was there
Last year, the day of the Pardon.
Cor. It rains.
Hoël. Fcar'st thou lest thou should'st be drowned ?
Cor. But the sluices might give way before the torrent.
Hoël. Listen ! | A clock strikes.
Cor. Eleven o'clock.
Hoël. At midnight
The fiery cross thou'lt see. Follow me—
Cor. Suppose I were to await thee here !
Hoël. [Endeavoring to urge him onward.] Coward, come !
Let's seek the path that leads unto the ravine !
Cor. 'Twere better thou should'st go alone ! I—I should
but hinder thee.
Hoël. Come ! take in thy hand
This little branch, for 'tis a talisman !
[Gives him the nut-tree bough.

SCENE V.—CORENTINO alone.

Cor. 'Tis no use talking ! A fine thing 'tis to be courageous.
And follow him I gladly would,
But that I dare not ! He's on the bridge—
He crosses it. Oh ! heavens !
He's on the other side—and I am all alone !
An icy chill pervades my heart !
Ah ! what terror !
Oh ! what fright !
Let's seek, by singing, a little strength to gain.
[Sings rapidly and in a loud voice to give himself courage.
* "Awake ! awake ! the day doth dawn—
Twelve o'clock e'er long will strike—
Of an evening thus it is—

* The reader will of course understand that the confused assemblage of incoherent ejaculations, which constitutes this song, is the result of Corentino's extreme terror while singing.

La giornata—è terminata,
La giornata—e poi l' amata."

Ah ! che tremor !

Ah ! che terror !

"Venti e tre fan ventire,
Ancor dieci trentatre,
Ed ognuno morir dè,
Quanti siam tutti morremo,
Quando arriva il giorno estremo."
La canzon m' agghiaccia il cor.

Ah ! qual tremor !

Ah ! che terror !

[*Vede Din. che scende verso di lui di roccia in roccia, avviluppata in un lungo mantello bruno, a cappuccio.*

Canta di nuovo.

The day, I say,—the day's then over;
The day, I say,—one's well-beloved"—

Ah ! what terror !

Oh ! what fright !

[*Sings u zin*

"Twenty and three make twenty-three,
Ten more yet make three and thirty,
Every one must some day die,
Each of us will die in turn,
When the appointed hour shall come."

This song of mine my heart doth freeze.

Ah ! what terror !

Oh . what fright !

He perceives Din. who descends from rock to rock in his direction, enveloped in a brown mantle and hood.

SCENA VI.—CORENTINO e DINORAH.

Cor. Gran Dio ! chi vien ? chi è là ? più non rammento.
Le mistiche parole—Il gallo canta
La croce splende—Io moro—

Din. [Avvicinandosi.] Sei tu ?

Cor. [Cadendo.] Più non mi reggo.

Din. Tu pur l' aspetti ? ma venir nol veggo—
Al tempio lo cercai, non v'era. Il chiamo
E non risponde—

Cor. [Alzandosi.] Chi ? che mai vuol dire ?
Non sei tu ?—

Din. Son la donna del suo core.
Ma taci, la mia gioia, a sparir presta,
E' come l' augellin della foresta :
Il più lieve rumor la fa fuggire.

Cor. Ah ! é la pazzia !

Din. La pazzia !

Cor. Or cui rammento

Che di te m' han parlato.

Ti ravviso.

Din. Silenzio !

Cor. Che ?

Din. Là, in fondo del burrone

Un sasso a cader venne.

Cor. Il tesoro !—

Din. Il tesoro ?

Cor. Ei lo rinvenne.

SCENE VI.—CORENTINO and DINORAH.

Cor. Great Heavens ! who comes—who's there ! the mystic words

I've quite forgotten. "The cock doth crow—
The cross doth shine !"—I die—I die—

Din. [Approaching him.] Is't thou ?

Cor. [Falling down.] I can contain myself no longer.

Din. Thou, too, awaitest hiru ! Alas ! I cannot see him coming—
I've sought him at the church—he was not there—I call him,

And he answers not—

Cor. [Rising.] Who ? What can she mean ?
Art thou not—

Din. The maiden of his heart am I.
But, hush ! my happiness, like to the forest bird,

Doth quickly disappear,
The slightest noise puts it to flight.

Cor. Ah ! 'tis the mad woman !

Din. The mad woman !

Cor. I remember—
They oft have told me of thee—I now do recollect thee.

Din. Hush !

Cor. What is't ?

Din. Yonder, in the ravine's depth,
A stone has fallen !

Cor. The treasure !

Din. The treasure ?
Cor. He finds it then !

TRIST' ORRENDO FATO—FATE OF GLOOM. DINORAH.



Cor. (Che sta dicendo ? questo canto il so.)
Din. "Sorte sciagurata

Alma condannata

Chi primo portò—la mano al tesor
Nell' anno spirò."

Cor. E un avviso del cielo ; è la canzone
Che mia nonna cantava
Quand' ero ancor bambino, e mi cullava.

Cor. [Aside.] What is't she says ? This song I surely know
Din. "Luckless fate !

Soul lost for ever !

Who first his hand upon the treasure lays,
Within the year shall die !"

Cor. 'Tis warning from heaven ; 'tis the song
Which my old nurse did sing to me,
When, yet a child, to sleep she rocked me !

Din. "Chi primo al tesor—la mano portò
Nell' anno spirò."

[*S' allontana lentamente senza volgere il capo, e s' sparisce dietro le rupi.*

SCENA VII.—CORENTINO, poi HOEL.

Cor. Ribaldo ! m' avea preso al laccio, e spinto
M' avrebbe a certa morte.

Hoel. [Ritornando.] Corentino !

Cor. Sono qui.

Hoel. L' ora è giunta. Conveniamo
Di quel che far dobbiamo.

Cor. [Fra sé.] (Lasciamolo parlare
Vo' vedere di me che mai vuol fare.)

Hoel. Quando l' ora suonerà
Giù nel fondo del burrone,
Un di noi discenderà,

Cor. [Con ironia.] Un di noi discenderà.

Hoel. Con la magica sua verga
Ognì nano che qui alberga
Egli in fuga metterà.

Cor. [Con ironia.] Egli in fuga metterà

Hoel. Una pietra allor cadrà,
E la croce egli vedrà
Come fiamma scintillar.

Cor. [Come sopra.] Come fiamma scintillar.

Hoel. Entro la terra avara ei scoprirà il tesor
Seco lo prenderà, e qui lo porterà.

Cor. [Come sopra.] Seco lo prenderà, e qui lo porterà.

Hoel. Per fuggire l' uragano,
Ben lontano noi n' andremo
E il tesoro spartiremo.

Cor. Sta ben i che Dio ci assista—Dite un poco ?

Quando l' ora suonerà
Giù nel fondo del burrone

Chi di noi discenderà ?—

Hoel. Io ti cedo volentieri
Quest' onor—

Cor. Ed il tesor

Chi di noi—di me o di voi
Per il primo toccherà ?

Hoel. Tu. Consento a questo ancor.

Cor. Usurpare il vostro posto ?

No, davvero noi farò.

Hoel. E perchè, se n' ho piacere ?

Cor. A voi spetta, a voi conviene.

Hoel. Perchè a me ? chi ti trattiene.

Cor. Tant' onore v' appartiene.

Hoel. (Il furbo, lo so, di me sospettò,

Sì finge poltron, ma sa la ragion.

Il fatto è ben certo, l' inganno ha scoperto—
Se oppone un rifiuto perduto—ho il tesor.)

Cor. (Che vuole lo so, capito già l' ho ;

Udii la canzon più sciocco non son !

Del fatto son certo, l' inganno ho scoperto ;

E pallido e muto confessa l' error.)

Hoel. Mi devi seguir,

Mi devi obbedir.

Cor. Ho troppo timor,

Non voglio tesor.

Hoel. Perchè cangiar d' avviso ?

Cor. [Con dispetto.] Perchè morir non vo'

Non mi diceste or ora

Che maledetto era il tesoro ?

Hoel. Ebbene ?

Cor. Offender non so il ciel

Per morir poi nel modo più crudel.

Hoel. [Ridendo.] Prestar vuoi fede a quella vecchia storia.

Cor. Ci credo ben !

Din. "Who first his hand upon the treasure lays,
Within the year shall die!"

[Retires slowly without looking round, and disappears behind the rocks.

SCENE VII.—CORENTINO, and afterwards HOEL.

Cor. The villain ! he had caught me in his snare,
And unto certain death did lure me !

Hoel. [Returning.] Corentino !

Cor. I'm here.

Hoel. The hour's at hand ! Let's then arrange
What we ought now to do.

Cor. [Aside.] Let him say on,

I long to see what he would do with me !

Hoel. When the hour shall strike,

Down into the ravine's depths,

One of us must then descend !

Cor. [Ironically.] One of us must then descend !

Hoel. With his magic rod,

Each dwarf, who there doth dwell,

He straight will put to flight.

Cor. [As above.] Ho straight will put to flight !

Hoel. A stone then will fall,

The cross, too, will he see,

Glittering like fiery flame.

Cor. [As above.] Glittering like fiery flame.

Hoel. Within the niggard earth the treasure he'll discover,
He then will seize it, and will bring it here !

Cor. [As above.] He then will seize it, and will bring it here !

Hoel. To 'scape the hurricane,

Fare hence we then will fly,

And the treasure we'll divide !

Cor. 'Tis well ! May heaven protect us ! But I pray—
When the hour is heard to strike,

Down into the ravine depths,

Which of us will then descend ?

Hoel. That honor, willingly

I yield to thee—

Cor. And the treasure—

Which of us now, you or I,

Should be the first to touch ?

Hoel. Thou! To this I likewise do consent.

Cor. What ! thus usurp thy privilege ?

Good sooth ! that ne'er will I !

Hoel. And wherefore not, since it so pleases me ?

Cor. This right is yours, to you it appertains !

Hoel. Why unto me ! what thee impedes ?—

Cor. So great an honor's due to thee alone !

Hoel. [Aside.] (The rascal, I see, hath suspicions conceived,

He cowardice feigns, but good reasons has he.

The fact is most sure, he has discovered my drift !

Should he persist in refusing, the treasure I've lost.)

Cor. [Aside.] ('Tis his wish—that I know—and can well

understand ;

But the song I have heard, and my folly is o'er !

Of the fact I am sure, I've discovered his drift ;

See ! pale now and mute, he his fault doth avow.)

Hoel. Thy duty 'tis to follow me—

Thine 'tis to obey !

Cor. My fears are too great,

This treasure,—I'll none on't.

Hoel. Why thus change thy mind ?

Cor. [Angrily.] Because I wish not to die !

Did'st thou not thyself tell me

That this treasure was accursed ?

Hoel. What then ?

Cor. I would not heaven offend,

And straightway perish in manner terrible !

Hoel. [Laughing.] What ! believ'est thou then in that old

story ?

Cor. Of course—I do !

- Hoel.* [Spingendolo.] Va innanzi.
Cor. A voi l' a voi ! [Cedendogli il passo.]
 Mostratemi il cammino. Verò poi.
- Hoel.* (Il furbo, lo so,
 Di me sospetti) ecc.
Cor. (Che vuole lo so,
 Capito già l' ho) ecc.
- Hoel.* Andiam ! Resisti invano.
 Dei porre il primo sul tesor la mano.
Cor. Fatelo voi.
- Hoel.* Nol posso. Quest' anello
 Mel vieta ; è benedetto.
Cor. Voi ne avete un solo, ed io ne ho due.
Hoel. Tremta, se mi resisti, ti strascino.
 [Volendo spingerlo a forza.
Cor. Giù la man ! Corentino [Diféndosi.]
 Quando teme la morte
 Diviene ardito e forte
 Più forte d' un leon.
Din. [Di dentro.] " Chi primo al tesor—la mano portò
 Nell' anno spirò."
Hoel. Chi favella ?
Cor. Siam salvi ! A tempo giunge.
Hoel. Chi :
 [Din. sì china sull' orlo del burrone per cogliere fiori.
Cor. Silenzio ! E la piazza. Volentier.
 L' onor le cedo ti toccar la prima
 Il tesoro.
Hoel. Una donna ! qual viltà !
Cor. Grazie ! quanta bontà !
 Dunque meno di lei valgo per voi ?
 Udiste ?
 [Si sente suonar la mezzanotte in lontananza.
Hoel. Mezzanotte !
 [La campana suona sino al terzetto seguente.
Cor. Che aspettate ?
Hoel. E' una dama o uno spettro ?
Cor. Attento state.
- SCENA VIII.—HOEL, CORENTINO, e DINORAH.**
- Hoel* si tiene in disparte. Corentino si accosta a Dinorah, che, seduta su d' un sasso, aggiusta un mazzolino di fiori selvatici.
- Cor.* Ascolta, mia bella parlare ti vo'.
Din. Chi è là ? chi favella ?
Cor. Io dare tiovo' in dono un anel.
Din. A me l' anel ? no
 Offrirlo a me soltanto ei de'.
Cor. Chi ?
Din. Quei che m' amò
 Che sua mi chiamò,
 Che aspetto quâ,
 Che or o verrà.
 [Cangiando bruscamente d' idea e cantando.
 " Usignuolin—ecco il mattin
 Canta d' amor—deh ! canta ancor."—
Hoel. Che ascolto ! la sua voce
 Tonyck il disse a me !
 " Se credi il padre tuo veder che muore,
 Se la madre che langue nel dolore,
 Se l' amata che piange e chiede amore,
 Infernal menzogna
 Prestigio ed error
 Mentitor.
 D' uom che sogna
 Vano error
 Che appar
 E dispar."
 [S' allontana di bel nuvo, e resta nell' ombra addossato ad una rupe.
- Hoel.* [Pushing him.] On, on, I say !
Cor. [Making way for him.] Thine be it rather
 To show the way. I will follow.
Hoel. (The rascal, I know,
 Hath suspicions conceived,) etc.
Cor. ('Tis his wish, that I know,
 And can well understand,) etc.
Hoel. On, then ! vainly dost thou resist,
 'Tis thou who first must grasp the treasure !
Cor. Do so thyself.
Hoel. I cannot. This ring
 Forbids it ! It hath been blessed.
Cor. Thou hast but one, whilst I have two !
Hoel. Tremble ! if thou resist, I will compel thee !
Cor. [Endeavoring to urge him onward by force]
 Hands off ! for Corentino,
 When he death doth fear,
 Becomes as bold and strong—
 Aye, stronger than a lion !
Din. [Within.] " Who first his hand upon the treasure lays,
 Within the year shall die !"
Hoel. Who is't that speaks ?
Cor. We are saved. Her coming is most opportune !
Hoel. She ! who ?
 [Din. leans over the edge of the ravine to gather flowers.
Cor. Silence ! 'tis the mad woman ! to her
 Right willingly the honor will I yield
 The treasure first to touch !
Hoel. A woman ! what baseness !
Cor. Thanks ! you're very kind !
 Then, in thy eyes, my value must be less than hers !
 Dost hear ?
Hoel. [Midnight is heard striking in the distance.]
 Midnight !
 [The bell continues to strike until the commencement of the following terzetto.
Cor. Why tarriest thou ?
Hoel. A woman is it, or a spectre ?
Cor. Now mark, I pray !
- SCENE VIII.—HOEL, CORENTINO, DINORAH.**
- Hoel* remains at a little distance. Corentino addresses Dinorah, who, seated on a rock, is engaged in arranging a nosegay of wild flowers.
- Cor.* Hist ! pretty one, I'd speak with thee !
Din. Who's there ? who is it that speaks ?
Cor. A ring I'd give thee !
Din. A ring ! and unto me ! ah no !
 'Tis he alone should offer it !
Cor. He ! who ?
Din. He who once did love me—
 And who his own did call me.
 He whom now I here await,
 And who anon will come !
 [Suddenly passing from one idea to another and singing]
 " O nightingale—the morn is come !
 Sing then of love—ah ! sing again."
Hoel. What is't I hear ? her voice—
 Tonick did tell me this—
 " Should'st thou in fancy see thy father dying,
 Or thine own mother overcome with grief,
 Should e'en thy lov'd one pass,
 In tears thy love imploring,
 Beware ! abhorred phantoms these,
 Mere tricks and lying snares,
 Unreal as is a dream,
 Delirious fancies,
 That appear, and straight
 Are seen no more !"
Hoel again retires to a distanco, and remains in the shade leaning against a rock.

Cor. [Rispondi.] Vuoi l' anel ?
Din. *Cantando.* "L' ali disserra—arcano angel
 A me la terra—ed a te il ciel ?"
Hoel. Sì, parmi udire la sciagurata
 Da me, l' altr' anno, abbandonata.
Cor. Ascolta ; nel burrone
 Tu, sola, scenderai,
 Un sasso troverai,
 Che sfoglorar dovrà.
Hoel. [Sottovoce.] Ebben !
Cor. [Sottovoce.] Restate la—
 [A *Din.*] Il sasso spingerai,
 Ed un tesor vedrai—
 Teco pigliar lo dei.
Hoel. [Sottovoce.] Consente ?
Cor. [Sottovoce.] Non ancor.
 [A *Din.*] Tue le gemme tuo fia l' oro
 Quante perle e quel tesoro
 Saran tue—Le vuoi, si o no ?

Cor. Reply ! wilt have the ring ?
Din. [Singing.] "Mysterious bird—thy wings unfold,
 Earth is my dwelling place, and heaven thine!"
Hoel. Yes ! I seem indeed to hear the unhappy one,
 By me, last year, abandoned !
Cor. Listen ! down into this ravine
 Thou wilt descend, alone,
 And there a stcne thou'l find,
 Which fiery bright will then become.
Hoel. [To *Cor.* in a whisper.] Well !
Cor. [To *Hoel.* in the same manner.] Stay thou there !
 [To *Din.*] The stone thou'l turn aside,
 And straight a treasure thou wilt see,
 Which thou away must bring !
Hoel. [Aside to *Cor.*] Consents she ?
Cor. [Aside to *Hoel.*] Not as yet !
 [To *Din.*] Thine the jewels—thine the gold—
 Thine the pearls the treasure may contain ;
 Wilt have them—yes or no ?

GORGHEGGIARE IN MEZZO—THROUGH THE WILDWOOD. DINORAH.

Gorg - heg - giare in mez-zo al pra - to S'o - de ll can - to dell' au -
 Through the wild - wood, gai - ly ring - ing, Floats the song-bird's joy ous
 gel..... E quel can - to in - na - mo - ra - to em - pie l'a - ri - a e vo-la al
 lay..... The soft mur - mur up - ward springing, fills the sweet grove, the grove all the
 ciel. Svo - laz - zan - do va tra i fi or Can - ta rin - no dell' a -
 day. Thro' the air he takes his flight. He skims o'er earth but will scarce a -
 mor. Svo-laz - zan - do va tra i fior, va tra i fior Can - ta l'in - no dell' a -
 light. Gay and free, all day sings he, all day sings he, sings he, all day sings
 mor. O do - - lor d'un me - to cor! Co - me pa - - sa o Dio l'a - -
 he. I still.... weep, bright days fare - well, Naught re - mains of love's sweet....
 mor.... Co - me.... pas - sa..... l'a - mor..... pas-sa l'a - mor.
 spell.... But pain, the pain..... a - las !..... of love be - tray'd.

Cor. [A *Din.*] Quando in ciel l' aurora appare
 Questo loco dei lasciare,
 Nel burron se vuoi cercar,
 Il tesor vedrai brillar,
 Tue le perle, tuo fia l' or—
 [Fra se.] (Ma non par convinta ancor.)
 Delle gemme lo splendor—
 [Fra se.] (Vedo in fumo quel tesor.)
 [La tempesta scoppia con violenza.]
Cor. Ah ! già scoppia il temporale—
 Ecco, un tremito mi assale—

Cor. [To *Din.*] When in the skies the morn appears,
 Thou this place must quickly leave.
 If in the ravine now thou'l seek,
 The treasure thou wilt glittering see !
 Thine then the pearls, thine all the gold shall be !
 [Aside.] (Unconvinced she still doth seem !)
 [Aloud.] The sparkle of the gems outvies—
 [Aside.] (This treasure sure in smoke will end.)
 [A storm bursts violently forth]
Cor. Ah ! the storm bursts o'er our heads—
 Lo ! a thrill pervades my frame—

LE PARDON DE PLOERMEL.

Sia vostro l' or,
Io non ne vo—
Ah ! perchè qui ancor mi sto !

Hoel. Ah ! già scoppia il temporale,
Suona già l' ora fatale
Sin del tuono nel muggir
La sua voce parmi udir !

Din. Qual piacer ! Il temporale
Sembra dire in suon ferale.
“ Sia dannato il traditor
Che potè scordar l' amor !”

[Strappasi il monile. Un baleno illumina la scena. Vede si la capra in fondo al teatro, saltar di roccia in roccia, traversar il ponte e sparire.

Hoel. Che veggo là ? La capra ! Ecco il segnale !

Din. [Slanciandosi sul ponte.] Bellah ! Bellah ! Son qua !

Hoel. [Raccattando il monile.] Cielo ! ben lo ravviso ! il suo monile ! T' arresta ! per pietà !

Cor. Lasciatevi ! Il tesoro a prender va.

Hoel. [Respingendo Cor.] Dinorah ! Dinorah !

Il fulmine scoppia. Gli argini s' infrangono. Le acque del torrente, ingrossate dalla pioggia, si precipitano con fracasso nel burrone. Il ponte precipita sotto il piede di Din. che sparisce nell' abisso gettando un grido. Hoel si slancia in soccorso di Dinorah.

FINE DELL' ATTO SECONDO.

ATTO III.

IL MATTINO.

SCENA I.—Un sito agreste. Alleggia.

Un Cacciatore sull' alto delle rocce guarda se i suoi compagni arrivano.

Cac. A caccia ! a caccia ! a caccia !
All' erta, o cacciator ! è bel'o alla caccia
Seguire la traccia, di bèlva o d' angel.

Be thine the gold,
None on't will I.
Ah ! why do I still here remain !

Hoel. Ah ! the storm bursts o'er our heads,
The fatal hour is now at hand,
Even amid the tempest's roar,
That once loved voice I seem to hear !

Din. Oh ! what pleasure ! In solemn tones,
The tempest seems aloud to cry,
“ Perdition will o'ertake the traitor,
Who his love could thus forget !

[Tears off her necklace. A flash of lightning illuminates the scene. The goat is seen at back of the stage ; it leaps from rock to rock, crosses bridge and disappears.

Hoel. What see I there ! the goat ! lo ! 'tis the signal.

Din. [Rushing towards the bridge.] Bellah ! Bellah ! I am here !

Hoel. [Picking up necklace.] I recognize it well ! 'tis her necklace ! Stay ! in pity's name ! I charge thee, stay !

Cor. Now leave her, pray ! she goes to fetch the treasure !

Hoel. [Pushing back Cor.] Dinorah ! Dinorah !

The thunderbolt falls. The sluices are burst open, the waters of the torrent, swollen by the rains, precipitate themselves tumultuously into the ravine. The bridge gives way whilst Din. is crossing it, Din. utters a shriek and disappears in the abyss. Hoel rushes to Din.'s assistance. Curtain falls.

END OF THE SECOND ACT.

ACT III.

MORNING.

SCENE I.—A rural spot. The morn is dawning.

A hunter, on the summit of the rocks, looks forth to see whether his comrades are approaching.

Hunter. On, on to the hunt !
O huntsman, arouse thee ! 'tis sweet in the chase
To follow the trace of beast or of bird.

IL SOL SI LEVO—THE DAY IS AWAKE.



ri - dor i fio - - - ril.... O cac - cia - tor spun-to l'al-borl a cac - cia
haste to the Cov - - er!.... Come, and come all, Fol-low my call, Come, and come
andiam do-po la poggia, Ess è mi - glio - - rel Il sol si le - vò, la plog-gia la-vò i di - vi ld il
all, Hunting is jol - ly, when night is o - - - ver, The day is awake, the mist from the lake Rising, pass-es
pia - - - no, la brez - za spl-rò e via si por - tò si por - tò le nu - bi lon - ta-no!
o - - - ver, The fresh morning breeze Plays light in the trees, Like a young, a young and happy lov-er!
A cac - cla, A cac - cla, a cac - cla - tor..... A cac - cia a cac - - - cia!
To hunt-ing, To hunting, Come one and all..... A hunt-ing, The night is o - ver!

[*S' avanza un Mietitore colla falce sulla spalla.*

I. Mietitore. Già mature son le spiche

Mietitor, vieni a falciar l
Mentre il cielo sì rischiara.
Che il granaio si prepara,
Che il mulino è pronto già,
Io, presa la falce,
Ne affilo l' acciar.
Ne affilo cantando
Sul sasso l' acciar.
Le figliuole—lascia sole,
Mietitor—corri al lavor.

Mentr' io per falciar
Affilo l' acciar.
Puoi cantare—puoi danzare,

Mietitor, dopo il lavor. [*S' allontana.*
Due piccoli caprai vengono dall' alto della montagna,
suonando le loro pipe.

I Caprai. Sui prati tutt' in fior,
Asilo dei pastor,
Andiamo, andiam, caprette.
Per voi crescèan l' erbette
Per voi si rinverde
La zolla, e si fiore.
All' ombra assiso io son
Sovra la molle erbetta;
E cerco una canzon
Per la bell' Ivonetta.
E voi, caprette, intanto
Mangiate l' erbe e i fior.

[Ritornano il Cacciatore ed il Mietitore. *I precedenti.*

Il Cac. Buondì Ponick!

Bnondì pastor!

Buondì!

Il Mie. Già in piedi, mietitore?

Il Cap. Comincio la giornata.

Un Cap. Le mie capre

Stan là pascendo.

Ed io mi son levato

Al primo albor—

Che orribile uragano!

Il Cac. Ho inteso dir che il fulmine avea rotto,

Il ponticel che mena

Al burron maledetto.

[*A reaper comes forward with his scythe over his shoulder.*

The Reaper. Ripe are now the ears of corn,

Reaper, haste thee to thy task,

Whilst the heavens above are bright!

The granaries are now preparing,

And the mill is ready quite.

My scythe I have taken,

Its blade I now sharpen;

While singing, I sharpen

Its blade 'gainst a stone!

Reaper, think not now of maidens fair,

But haste thee to thy work.

I meanwhile prepare to reap,

By sharpening this blade.

Reaper, when the work is done,

Time thou'lt have to dance and sing!

[*Two young goat-herds descend from the summit of the mountain, playing their pipes.*

Goat-herds. 'Mid the flow'ry meadows green,

Where the shepherds spend their days,

Hie we, hie we, little goats;—

For you it is the grass doth grow,

For you the turf its green renewes,

For you its flowers it puts forth.

Seated 'neath the shade am I,

On the grassy sward so soft,

And a song I seek to find,

For beauteous Ivonetta.

Do ye then, young goats, meanwhile,

The herbs and flowers browse.

[*The hunter and the reaper return. The before-named characters remain.*

Hunt. Good day, Ponick.

Reap. Shepherd, good day to thee.

Good day!

Goat-herds. A Goat-herd. Reaper! what afoot already?

Reap. My day's work I now begin.

Goat-herd. My goats are yonder feeding.

Hunt. I at earliest dawn did rise!

Reap. In sooth it was a fearful storm!

Hunt. I've heard the thunderbolt did strik-

The little bridge which leads

Unto the vale accursed!

Il Mie. Udir ne parve
Un grido lacerante—
Il Cap. Io dormito ho sì ben, nè un solo istante
Mi sono ridestato.
Il Mie. L' uragano s' è alfine dissipato.
Il sole spunta già.
Il Cac. Qui ci troviamo,
E tutti sani e salvi quanti siamo.
Il Cap. Il cielo è ormai sereno.
Il Mie. Rinfrescato è il terreno.
Il Cuc. Or tutti insiem possiamo
Intonar la preghiera.
Gli Altri. Sì, preghiamo!
Tutti. Gran Dio, padre nostro,
Che in terra regnate,
Risplender deh! fate
Nel cielo sereno i vaghi colori
Dell' arco-baleno!
Signor, padre nostro
Che in terra regnate
Siccome nei cieli!
[S' allontanano ciascuno per la sua via.]

SCENA II.—CORENTINO, solo.

Non ho più fiato in petto—
Sento girar la terra,
Che orribile tempesta!
Non penso più al tesor!
La piazza, il tuono, il ponte,
La furia del torrente—
Ho tutto ancor presente—
Non so se vivo ancor.

Hoel. [Di dentro.] Corentin! Corentino!—

Cor. Chi mi chama?

Che vedo? siete vivo!

Hoel. [Portando sulle braccia Din. svenuta, e deponendola su d' un banco.]

Mira? è dessa!

Cadde giù nel burron, sospesa a un ramo.
Accorri, la salvia, la ravisai—
Qual finereo pallore!—
E gelida la mano,
Più non batte il suo core!
Invan la chiamo! Invano!
E Dinorah, la fidanzata mia!
Un portento salvare la patria!
Chi le soccorre?—

Cor. Se al villaggio andassi!

Hoel. Va, corri, vola!

Cor. Hiddio non vuol che mora;

Fra poco del Perdon suonerà l' ora.

[Esce correndo.]

SCENA III.—HOEL e DINORAH, svenuta.

Hoel. In questo loco, un anno appunto or compie,
Lo stesso dì scoppiava l' uragano;
Ella un asil cercava;
Io fra le braccia la stringeva, ed ora!
Morta!—crederlo, o ciel, no l' posso ancora!

Reap. A harrowing shriek was heard.
Therefrom to issue.
Goat-herd. So soundly have I slept that not e'en
For a single moment did I wake!
Reap. The storm at length hath passed away!
Already doth the sun appear.
Hunt. Here then stand we all,
Each safe and sound.
Goat-herds. The sky hath clear become.
Reap. The earth too is refreshed.
Hunt. United then, we now may offer up
Our pray'r!
The others. Yes, let us pray!
All. Great Dicity, our Father,
Who on earth dost reign,
Cause thou, in the heavens serene,
The rainbow's beauteous hues
Brightly to shine forth!
O Lord, our Father,
Who reign'st on earth
E'en as thou dost in heaven!
[They retire in different directions]

SCENE II.—CORENTINO alone.

No breath have I left;
The ground seems going round and round!
Ah! what a fearful tempest!
Of the treasure I'll think no more.
The mad woman, the thunder, the bridge,
The torrent's headlong fury,
All still is present to my mind.
Scarce know I whether I'm alive!

Hoel. [Within.] Corentino! Corentino!

Cor. Who is that calls me?

Whom see I? what! art thou still living?

Hoel. [Who enters bearing in his arms the fainting Din., whom he places on a bank.]

Behold! 'tis she!
She fell into the ravine, but hung suspended from a bough,
I hastened to her succor, and did recognize her.
What death-like pallor,
Her hand is icy cold,
Her heart no longer beats!
In vain I call on her! In vain!
'Tis Dinorah, my betrothed!
Nought but a miracle can save her!
Ah! who will succor her?—

Cor. Shall I to the village hasten?

Hoel. Hie thee, haste thee! fly!

Cor. Heaven her death will not allow:
Anon, the hour of the pilgrimage will strike!

[Exit, running.]

SCENE III.—HOEL, DINORAH still in a swoon.

Hoel. 'Twas on this self-same spot—a year hath since elapsed;—
This very day it was, the hurricane did rage,
An asylum my Dinorah sought;
Within these arms I pressed her; and now!
Dead!—ah! heaven, I'll not believe it yet!

SEI VENDICATA ASSAI—MY ANGUISH THEE AVENGETH. HOEL.

Sei ven - di - ca - ta as - sa - i....
My an-guish thee a - veng - eth,

Del mio fol - le aban-don;
For the wrongs I de - plore.

Di schiu-di o ca - ra i
Look up a - gain, dea-

ra - i.... Im - plo - ri il mio per - don! In un fa - tal de li - - ro Io
an - gel, Thy par - don I im - plore! In mad-ness that could doubt thee, My

sper-gin - rai la fe lo, sper-giu - rai la fi..... Ma se tu mno - rio
vows were all fore - sworn, my vows were all fore - sworn. I can - not live with -

spl - ro deh! tor - na tor - na in te, deh! tor - na in te, deh! tor - na in
out thee! Re - turn to life, re - turn! to life re - turn! to life re -

te O io mo-ro al tuo pie O io mo-ro al tuo pie. Dino-rah..... Deh! ri tor - na, deh! torna in me!
turn, or I die at thy feet, or I die at thy feet, Dino-rah..... ah, re - turn.... to life, re-turn.

Ricchezza menzognere,
Tormento del mio cor,
Fallaci ombre, chimere
Or di voi sento orror—
Rispondi a chi t' implora,
O morirò al tuo pie'
Ah! parla, parla ancora
Ritorna, o cara, in te!

[Guarda in ansia Din. che a poco a poco rinviene ed
apre gli occhi.
Gran Dio! la mia preghiera a te salìa
Ah sì! sospira ancora!—Gli occhi schiude!
Ma perchè le pupille su me fisa—
Ahil più non mi ravvisa
O ciel! scordato avea
Che il dolor la ragione le togliea!]

Momento di silenzio.

Din. Hoël!
Hoel. Il nome mio!
Din. Che tardi! Andiamo. [Alzandosi.
Hoel. [Fra sé.] Che mai sento!
Din. Il mio velo, la ghirlanda
Ove son?—Ma tu taci—non rispondi
Io tremo!—Ah! mi rammento—
Sogno crudele! Sogno di spavento!—

Hoel. (Un sogno! O cielo! Veggio la speranza
Brillare ancor. M' ispira tu, Signore!
Fa ch' ella creda che fu solo un sogno
Che con l'alba sparisce.)
Ah sì! mia cara, un sogno t' atterriva.

Din. Un sogno!—ove siam noi? perchè m' avete
Condotta qui?
Hoel. Non vedi dove sei?
Quì favellar d'amor teco io solea!
Din. [Ripetendo le parole d' Hoel.]
Quì favellar d'amor teco io solea.
Hoel. Riconosci la gotica cappella,
In quest' asilo pio
Noi venivamo ad implorar da Dio,
Il celeste favore.
Din. [Come sopra.] Noi venivamo ad implorar da Dio,
Il celeste favore. [Rammentandosi.]

Riches! vain delusions,
Torment of my heart!
False visions, vain chimeras.
With horror ye inspire me!
Reply to him who thus implores thee,
Or at thy feet I'll die!
Ah! speak then, speak again.
Beloved! be thyself once more.

[He anxiously watches Din., who gradually recovers consciousness and opens her eyes.
Great heaven! my pray'r hath risen unto thee!
Yes! she breathes again; her eyes she opens!
But why thus fixedly gaze they upon me?
Ah! she knows me not again!
O heaven! I had forgotten
That grief of reason had bereft her!]

A momentary pause.

Din. Hoël!
Hoel. My name!
Din. Why tarriest thou? come! [Rising.
Give me thy hand, to the church now we will hasten
Hoel. [Aside.] What words are these?
Din. My veil, my bridal wreath;
Where are they? But thou'rt silent. Thou answer'st not!
I tremble! alas! I now remember.
Ah, cruel dream! ah, dream of horror!
Hoel. [Aside.] A dream! oh, heaven! a ray of hope yet
shines for me!
O Providence, do thou inspire me!
And teach her to believe that 'twas a dream;
Nought but a dream, that with the coming morn
Doth disappear!
[Aloud.] Yes, dear one, a dream it is that thus hath
terrified thee!
Din. A dream! where are we, then?
Why hast thou brought me here?
Hoel. Dost not see where thou art?
Here was I wont with thee of love to talk.
Din. [Repeating Hoel's words.]
Here was I wont with thee of love to talk!
Hoel. Dost recognize the antique chapel?
Unto its sacred shrine used we to come,
To implore of Heav'n its holy favor!

Din. [As before.] Used we to come
To implore of Heav'n its holy favor!

Che ! questa mane—
Entrambi—
Hoel. Sì, vedi là la valle
 Ed il ruscello dove a ber va il gregge.
Din. Sì, veggo là la valle
 Ed il ruscel dove a ber va il gregge—
 [Guardando fisso Hoel, con terrore.]
 Ma, poco fa non era il cielo oscuro,
 Ed ora è azurro e puro—
Hoel. Scoppiò su noi con furia l' uragano
 E tu, tu vacillante, spaventata,
 In braccio a me cadevi.

Din. E vero, è vero !—
Hoel. Il turbo alfin vedemmo dissipato—
Din. [Agitata.] O gioai ! tutto questo un sogno è stato !
 Ma il tuono ! ah ! l' odo ancora !
 D' un infernal riflesso si colora
 Il cielo ; e dalle fiamme,
 Il tugurio paterno è divorato !—
Hoel. All' ombra d' un nocciuolo
 Non vedi tu quel bianco casolare,
 Che all' orizonte appare
 Sul ciglione del colle ? E la capanna,
 La tua capanna, che d' un raggio d' oro
 Par che dal sol sia carezzata.

Din. Quella !
 La mia capanna ! O gioia !
 Dunque non fu che un sogno ?—
Hoel. Ah, sì ! fu un sogno !
Din. [Animandosi.] Felice or son, rinascere mi sento.
 Di tutto or mi raramento.
 Rive fiorite, vi trovo ancor,
 Nostr' alme unite qui volle amor.
 Me sola egli ama, me sola brama,
 Ah ! sol per me vivere ei dè !
Hoel. Rive fiorite, vi trovo ancor
 Nostr' alme unite, qui volle amor.
 Te sola adoro, te sola imploro,
 Il ciel ti fe solo per me !
Din. Ma pur, me ne sovviene. I nostri amici
 Eran tutti con noi.
 Ed il pellegrinaggio ?
Hoel. [Fra sé.] O ciel !
Din. E i canti
 Festivi che restar nella mia mente
 Come un suono confuso,
 Perchè non gli odo più, come gli udia ?
 [Cercando di ricordarsi.]
 Par che dicean così : " Santa Maria,"
 [Cerca di nuovo.]
 " Santa Maria"—
 [Al canto del coro Din. è colpita dallo stupore; ed ascolta con gioia e come in estasi. Il coro, invisibile al pubblico, s' ode cantar di lontano.]

[Recollecting.] What, then, this morning
 We both—
Hoel. Yes ! see, yonder is the valley,
 And the brook whereat the flocks do drink.
Din. Yes, yonder I see the valley,
 And the brook whereat the flocks do drink.
 [Looking fixedly at Hoel with a terrified expression]
 But yet, a short time back, was not the sky o'ercast,
 And now it azure is and clear !
Hoel. A tempest furiously burst o'er our heads,
 And thou, alarmed and o'ercome with fright,
 Did'st faint within mine arms.
Din. True ! true !
Hoel. The storm at last subsided—
Din. Oh, joy ! all this hath been a dream !
 [Agitatedly.] But the thunder ! ah ! I hear it still !
 With hues infernal the sky is tinged,
 And the flames my father's cot consume !

Hoel. 'Neath a spreading nut-tree's shade
 See'st thou not a cottage white,
 That in the distance doth appear,
 On the summit of yon hill ? 'Tis thy home,
 Thy dwelling place, which, with golden rays,
 The sun now seems as 'twere caressing !
Din. That cottage—mine ?—Oh ! joy !
 Then 'twas a dream !

Ah, yes ! a dream—no more !
Hoel. How happy am I now ! fresh life springs up within me !
 All, all I now remember !
 Ye flow'ry meads, once more I find ye,
 'Twas here that love our hearts united.
Hoel. His only love am I, he sighs for none but me.
 Ye flow'ry meads, once more I find ye,
 'Twas here that love our hearts united.
Din. Thee only I adore, none do I love save thee,
 Heaven hath made thee for me alone !
Hoel. But, yet—I now remember—all our friends
 Were with us—
Din. And the pilgrimage ?
Hoel. [Aside.] Oh ! heaven !
Din. And the festive songs !
 Which, like confused murmurs,
 In my memory remain,
 Why hear I not them now as heretofore ?
Hoel. [Endeavoring to recollect.] Methinks their burthen ran : " Holy Mary."
Din. [Tries again to remember.] " Holy Mary,"—
 [On hearing the chorus—who here take up the burthen—Din. seems stricken with amazement; she listens with joy and ecstasy whilst the Chorus (unseen by the audience) are heard singing in the distance.]

SANTA MARIA—HOLY MARIA. CHORUS.

San-ta Ma - ri - a!
Ho-ly Ma - ri - a!

San-ta Ma - ri - a!
Ho-ly Ma - ri - a!

Nostra Donna dell' perdono Tu ci serba i tuoi favor. E l'of-
Our good la-dy of the par-don To us thy fa-vors grant. We

fer-ta as-sal in mo-des-ta Sono fior' per la tu - a fes-ta E coi fio - ri il nos - tro cor.
fer-thee humble presents Of flowers grown in the meadows, the best we have, from pi - ous hearts.

- Santa Maria !
O madre pia.
Nostra Donna del Perdono,
Benedici il nostro cor,
E ci serba il tuo favor."
- Din. cade inginocchio. Cor. ci mostra nel fondo. Hoel corre a lui, gli parla sottovoce.*
- Din.* O Maria !
Madre pia,
Benedici il nostro amor.
[Contadini e contadine giungono sulla scena, per unirsi alla processione. Hoel parla anche ed essi sottovoce mostrando loro Din.]
- Din. [Ravvisandole.] Ivona ! Margherita ! Anna ! compagne, Amiche, siete voi ?*
- Le Con.* Perchè fissa così gli occhi su noi ?
[S'ode la campana.]
- Din. La campana —*
Il Con. Suonò l' Ave Maria !
E per te snona l' ora del contento,
Fra poco Hoël sarà lo sposo tuo.
- Din. Lo sposo mio !* [Gettandosi nelle braccia d' Hoel.]
Hoël ! ed io sognai
Che non m' amavi più. Ma un sogno è stato—
- Tutti.* Un sogno, un sogno è stato l'
Din. Ma per fiorita via
Andavamo ambidue. Dietro venía
Lo stuolo dei fedeli. E come loro
Anch' io portava un ramo benedetto !
- [Hoel mostra a Din. la processione che arriva da lontano.
Tutti si gettano in ginocchio. La processione comincia. I suonatori di cornamusa vanno innanzi ; poi vengono le bandiere, &c. ; finalmente un baldeccino portato da quattro fanciulle vestite di bianco che gettano fiori. Una fanciulla si accosta a Din. e le dà un ramoscello benedetto ; un' altra le attacca il velo di fidanzata ed il mazzolino di fiori bianchi.]
- Hoel.* Vedi fra i tanti fiori
Che il sol di raggi veste,
Il segno del perdono,
Il vessillo celeste ?—Benedici
Il divino favore
Che spender volle il sogno mentitore.
- Tutti.* Gloria al Signor !
A voi pace e amor !
- Hoel e Din.* Gloria al Signor,
A noi pace e amor !
- Cor.* [Sottovoce ad Hoel.] Ed il tesor ?
Hoel. Perduto ! ma il suo cor
Per me vale assai più d' ogni tesor.
- [I contadini riprendono la via, seguendo la processione con Hoel e Din. che camminano innanzi sotto un baldacchino di fiori. Il Coro rimane in mezzo alla scena. Hoel e Din. salgono su per la collina, dirigendosi verso la cappella ch' è in cima alla montagna.]
- Tutti.* Santa Maria,
O madre pia,
Nostra Donna del Perdono,
Tu ci serba il tuo favor,
Benedici il nostro cor !
- Holy Mary !
Righteous mother !
O thou, our Lady of the Pardon,
Continue unto us thy favors,
On our hearts thy blessings pour !
- [Din. falls on her knees. Cor. appears at back. Hoel hastens to him and speaks with him aside.]
- Din.* Holy Mary !
Righteous mother !
May thy blessings attend our love !
[Peasants and village girls now arrive in order to join the procession. Hoel speaks with them aside, indicating at the same time Din.]
- Din. [Remembering them.] Ivona ! Margaret ! Anna ! friends, What ! is it you ?*
- Village Girls.* Why fixes she her eyes thus on us ?
[A bell is heard.]
- Din.* That bell !
Pea. It tolls the Ave Maria !
And the hour of thy happiness as well ;
Thy husband soon Hoël will be !
- Din.* My husband ! [Throwing herself into Hoel's arms.]
Hoël ! and I who dreamed
That thou no more didst love me ; but 'twas a dream !
- Pea.* A dream ! it was a dream !
Din. But 'mid flow'r-strewn paths
Methought we walked. Behind us came
The crowd of faithful worshippers.
Like them, I too did bear a consecrated bough !
- [Hoel points out to Din. the procession, which is now seen arriving from afar. All kneel. The procession commences. The pipers come first followed by the flag-bearers, &c. Lastly, a palanquin borne by four young girls dressed in white, and scattering flowers. A maiden approaches Din. and presents her with a consecrated bough, another puts on her head the bridal veil and gives her the bouquet of white flowers.]
- Hoel.* See amid so many flowers,
Which the sun gilds with its beams,
See the emblem of the Pardon !
Yon sacred token ! blessed be then
Heaven's mercy,
For deigning to dispel thy dream !
- All.* Glory be to Heaven !
Peace and love attend ye !
- Hoel.* Glory be to Heaven !
May peace and love attend us !
- Cor.* [Aside to Hoel.] And the treasure ?
Hoel. 'Tis lost ! but her heart
To me is far more precious than all other treasures
- [The peasants resume their way in the order of the procession, as do also Hoel and Din., who walk together beneath a dais of flowers. The chorus occupy the centre of the stage. Hoel and Din. ascend the mountain, directing their steps towards the chapel on the summit thereof.]
- All.* Holy Mary,
Righteous mother,
O thou, our Lady of the Pardon,
Continue unto us thy favor,
On our hearts thy blessings pour !

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