

The Bee

Frank Bridge
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Tennyson

Allegro con brio

S. *f* The bee buzzed up in the heat, in the heat, "I am faint for your
p

A. *f* The bee buzzed up in the heat, in the heat, "I am faint for your
p

T. *f* The bee buzzed up in the heat, in the heat,
p

B. *f* The bee buzzed up in the heat, in the heat,
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ho - ney, my sweet, my sweet." The
ho - ney, my sweet, my sweet." The
8 "I am faint for your ho - ney, my sweet." The
"I am faint for your ho - ney, my sweet." The

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mf flower said: "Take it, my dear, take it, my dear, take it, my dear, for
dim. *pp* *p*
mf flower said: "Take it, my dear, take it, my dear, take it, my dear, for
dim. *pp* *p*
8 flower said: "Take it, my dear, take it, my dear, take it, my dear,
mf *dim.* *pp*
flower said: "Take it, my dear, take it, my dear, take it, my dear,

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cresc. now is the spring, for now is the spring, for now is the spring of the
cresc.
now is the spring, for now is the spring, for now is the spring of the
p *cresc.*
8 for now is the spring, for now is the spring, is the spring of the
p *cresc.*
for now is the spring, for now is the spring, is the spring of the

16 *f* year, so come, come, come, *mf* so come, come,
f year, so come, come, come, *mf* so come, come,
f year, so come, come, come, *mf* so come, come,
 8 year, so come, come, come, so come, come,
 year, so come, for now is the spring, the spring of the year,

20 come!" "Hum!"
 come!" "Hum!"
 8 come! So come, come, come!" "Hum!"
mf so come, come, come!" "Hum!"

24 And the *f*
 And the *f*
 8 And the *f*
 And the *p*
 And the *f*
 And the bee_ buzzed down from the heat, and the

28 *p*
 bee buzzed down_ from the heat, from the heat.
p
 bee buzzed down_ from the heat, from the heat.
p
 8 bee buzzed down_ from the heat, from the heat.
p
 bee buzzed down_ from the heat, from the heat.

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f And the bee buzzed up — in the cold, in the
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f And the bee buzzed up — in the cold, in the
p
 8 And the bee buzzed up — in the cold, in the
f *p*
 And the bee buzzed up — in the cold, in the

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cold, when the flower was with-ered and old, and old.
 cold, when the flower was with-ered and old, and old.
 8 cold, when the flower — was
 cold, when the flower — was

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p "Have you still a - ny ho-ney, my dear, ho-ney, my dear, *dim.*
mf *dim.*
p "Have you still a - ny ho-ney, my dear, ho-ney, my dear, *dim.*
mf *dim.*
 8 with-ered and old. "Have you still a - ny ho-ney, my dear, ho-ney, my dear, *dim.*
p *mf* *dim.*
 with-ered and old. "Have you still a - ny ho-ney, my dear, ho-ney, my dear,

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pp ho-ney, my dear?" She said, "It's the fall," she said, "It's the fall," she
p *cresc.*
pp ho-ney, my dear?" She said, "It's the fall," she said, "It's the fall," she
p *cresc.*
 8 ho-ney, my dear?" She said, "It's the fall," she said, "It's the
pp *p* *cresc.*
 ho-ney, my dear?" She said, "It's the fall," she said, "It's the

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said, "It's the fall of the year, - but come, come, come,
 said, "It's the fall of the year, - but come, come, come,
 8 fall, it's the fall of the year, - but come, come, come,
 fall, it's the fall of the year, - but come," she said, "It's the fall, the fall of the

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but come, but come!" "Hum!"
 but come, but come!" "Hum!"
 8 but come, but come, but come, but come!" "Hum!"
 year, but come, but come!" "Hum!"

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And the *f*
 And the *f*
 And the *f*
 And the *f*
 And the *f*
 8 And the *p* bee buzzed off in the cold, and the *f*

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bee buzzed off in the cold, in the cold. *p* *pp*
 bee buzzed off in the cold, in the cold. *p* *pp*
 8 bee buzzed off in the cold, in the cold. *p* *pp*
 bee buzzed off in the cold, in the cold. *p* *pp*