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*A NARRATOR (to read the story).

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FAIRY SUNBEAM	l							Soprano.
Fairy Sunbeam Princess Mayblossom		•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	Soprano.
FAIRY NETTLESTING					Ma	una Sab	<i>M. C. M.</i> O. <i>M.</i> C. M.	Contralto
A GIPSY WOMAN	•••	•••	•••	•••	Mezzo Sopra		runo 01	Contratio.
PRINCE CHARMING	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••		Tenor.

CHORUS,

ORCHESTRA AND PIANOFORTE.

III.—-THE AWAKENING.

* The narrator to remain seated throughout until the point indicated on page 110.

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PROLOGUE.-(CHORUS.)

There is a world we all do know-The happy world of "Long-ago"; A world of bluer skies than ours, Of greener grass, of sweeter flowers, A world wherein the people are Better or worse than we by far, A lovely world of queens and kings, Of wizard lore and fairy rings, A world for ever in its prime, And dated "Once upon a time."

* There is a world we all do know— The happy world of "Long-ago."

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FIRST CHAPTER. (The Christening.)

THE FAIRIES' GIFTS.

Spoken) "I dower this infant with beauty, More fair shall she be than the fairest."

- "Her foot shall be light as the fawn's, And her every movement as graceful."
- "I give her the tongue of an angel, A wit that shall flash without wounding."
- "She shall dance with the step of a fay, As light as a blossom wind-shaken."
- " I give her the nightingale's voice, Her song shall raise mortals to Heaven."
- "I give her the name of an elf, I, Maybud, baptize her Mayblossom."

CHORUS.

She shall be the fairest, Blest with gifts the rarest; Love shall fly to her in rapture, Kiss her feet and sue for capture; Pain shall shun her, sorrow flee her, Joy beside her shall breathe free-er; All her life shall be a pageant, Princess of a future radiant.

FAIRY NETTLESTING'S SONG.

Hark, hark, hark ! Mark, mark, mark ! The love and blessing shall both be short, The grace and beauty shall soon be done-Ere her fifteenth birthday has come and gone, She shall die in her father's court. She shall live in smiles for her fifteen years, Shall know no grief and shed no tears-(For so have my sisters promised her); But far, far off I can hear the whirr-The whirr of a flying spinning-wheel, And the spindle's point is sharp and keen -It shall pierce her rosy palm, I ween ! One blood-red spot, one flutt'ring breath, Then closed eyes—and death !

THE KING.

(Spoken.) "The cruel doom is spoken-But we will turn the curse aside ! The royal edict now goes forth From East to West, from South to North, That every spindle, flax-betied, Shall from this hour be cast aside. Let every spinning-wheel be broken That turns in our dominions wide, Nor be among our subjects known Till fifteen midsummers have flown."

FAIRY SUNBEAM'S SONG.

My Princess, my Princess, so fair and so gifted, A cloud hangs above thee that may not be lifted;

A fairy has said it, I dare not unsay it; But this I can promise, And will for thy sake: The spindle shall pierce thee, But thou need'st not dread it, Though slain to all seeming, My child, thou shalt wake.

Thou'lt sleep through the winters, And sleep through the summers, A sleep that shall hold thee A hundred long years; Secluded, unnoticed By goers and comers, Till he, the predestined Prince Charming appears.

Then oh ! what a waking Shall come to thy slumbers, Thou'lt rise from thy pillow As fresh as a rose; The years shall not mark thee, Untouched by their numbers Thy life shall begin When thine eyelids unclose.

Last verse repeated with Chorus.

SHORT INTERMEZZO.

SECOND CHAPTER.

(The Fated Spinning-wheel.) WALTZ SONG.—(CHORUS AND PRINCESS MAY-BLOSSOM.) Light, light, light, light, In a maze of rosy pleasure; Light, light, light, light, Sure a fairy taught the measure. Light, light, light, light, Is there any like our treasure? Oh, how sweet ! fair and fleet ! Watch her dainty feet ! Light, light, etc. Happy they that nurtured the rose upon the tree. Happy he that gathers the blossom—happy he !

PRINCESS AND CHORUS.

Ah! light, light, light, light, In a maze of rosy pleasure; Light, light, light, light, Yes, a fairy taught the measure, Sure a fairy taught the measure. Light, light, light, light, Youth is joy, and joy's a treasure; Is there any like our treasure? Oh, how sweet! gay and fleet! Oh, how sweet! fair and fleet! Fall my dancing feet! Watch her dainty feet! Light, light, light, light!

SCENE. — (FAIRY NETTLESTING AND PRINCESS MAYBLOSSOM.

FAIRY NETTLESTING. "Come, my dear, and watch the wheel— Nearer, nearer! See the thread upon the reel— Nearer, nearer, PRINCESS MAYBLOSSOM.

" Oh, how tunefully it hums! And how fast the smooth thread comes!"

NETTLESTING.

"Take it, dear, and tend the spindle, Work the flax, and let it dwindle; Come! come! come!

SPINNING SONG .-- (PRINCESS MAYBLOSSOM.)

Feed the flax and turn the wheel— Faster, faster ! Wind the thread upon the reel— Faster, faster ! Faster still, and growing smoother, Running from the reel ; Bees must fancy flowers grew there, I can hear them round my wheel ! Feed the flax and turn the wheel— Faster, faster ! Wind the thread upon the reel— Faster, faster ! Faster still, and ever quicker, Sounding like a harp ; See, the spindle point a-flicker—

Have a care for spindle sharp ! Feed the flax and turn the wheel —

Faster, faster ! Wind the thread upon the reel— Faster, faster ! Feed the flax and let it run— Flax as yellow as the sun. Ah ! . . . Ah ! (She pricks her hand.)

CHORUS.

Fair, oh ! so fair ! Fair, oh ! so fair ! Still on her soft cheek the life blood is warm, Gold still her hair. Surely e'en Death must love her, And the flowers will spring above her, Proudly bright to think they cover Beauty so rare.

Fair, oh ! so fair !

FAIRY SUNBEAM (spoken).
"When fifteen mortal years ago, You saw me last in "Faraway,"
I warned you all would happen so, Exactly as it has to-day. Now I repeat the words I said : The Princess sleeps—she is not dead."

CHORUS. Wake her ! Wake her ! Wake her !

FAIRY SUNBEAM.

"That may not be; as she is lying So shall she lie a hundred years; But, lest ye spend your lives in sorrow, A slumber spell on *all* I cast. Ye'll wake as ye might wake to-morrow, When all the hundred years have passed. The ties that knit you, lovers, brothers,

Courtier or king, I will not break; Each shall be as he was to others— Together sleep! Together wake!"

CHORUS.

Come, then, oh, come, thou midnight spell ! Come, then, oh, come ! Lull us to rest for a hundred years, Till the day when Prince Charming appears. Spread from the lattice, thou climbing rose, Thicken thy stems in a binding fence, Be thou the guard of our deep repose, That none may enter and none go hence; Spring from your rootlets beneath the grass, Linden and beech, in a trackless maze, Make ye a forest that none may pass Till we have slept our appointed days. And weave your branches above her head—

The Sleeping Beauty's, a hundred years, And show no pathway to any tread

Till the predestined Prince Charming appears. (Sleep begins to overpower.)

SHORT INTERMEZZO.

THIRD CHAPTER.

(The Awakening.)

(Spoken.) As long as the sun Shall send down a beam, While waters shall run, While rainbows shall gleam, While singeth a bird, While a butterfly dips, The once plighted word From a true lady's lips Shall nevermore be broken.

THE GIPSY'S SONG.

"Long ago, I have heard it said, Where yonder forest is waving dark, A stately palace reared its head,

And all around a glorious park.

- A King reigned there and the country smiled, And all were free to come and go !
- A child had he—an only child— But this was a hundred years ago.

The story runs, she was passing sweet, Hair of gold and a neck of snow, Of dainty figure and fairy feet— But this was a hundred years ago. She sang, she laughed, she never wept, For ne'er had maid less cause for tears, Till a spell was cast on her, and she slept—

A sleep to last a hundred years.

And this is the spell was cast on her, A hundred summers and winters since, To slumber dreamless, and never stir Till kissed to life by a fair young Prince. The tangled briar, the long rank grass, Sprang up above each path and glade,

And poisoned thorns that none may pass Till the Prince shall come to wake the maid."

PRINCE CHARMING'S SONG.

By my sword, 'tis none other than I! It is I am the Prince who shall venture and dare! It is I am predestined to rescue the fair! Ah, my Princess! I picture thine exquisite form, Thy grace and thy beauty, still youthful and warm!

Shall I liken thy grace to the swift swallow's wing? Thy mien to bright cloudlets, forgetful of showers?

I can fancy thy voice like the zephyr of spring, Low whispering love to the innocent flowers.

Ah! I know not the peach bloom that shadows thy cheek.

I know not the cherry-like sweets of thy lip ! Can a bee find a blossom he dares not to seek ? Can he taste of a nectar forbidden to sip?

But mine be the triumph and mine be the prize,

The fairest, the greatest that mortal has known; Thou hast slumbered enough; let me gaze in thine eves:

I come with a kiss to awake thee, my own— I come! I come! I come!

PRINCE CHARMING and Chorus of Invisible Spirits in the wood.

Prince.	Dark is the forest, And toilsome its steeps !
Chorus.	Onward ! push onward To where Beauty sleeps !
Prince.	White fangs and fiery eyes Gleam past each tree !
Chorus.	Onward ! for Beauty lies Waiting for thee !
Prince.	Oh! that my heart may be Strong for the task!
CHORUS.	Fate has in store for thee All thou canst ask !
PRINCE.	Dark is the forest And thorny its brakes!
PRINCE and CHORUS.	Ah, how the sky will clear When she awakes !
Prii	NCE'S voice dying away in distance.
	I come! I come! I come!

DUET.-PRINCE CHARMING and PRINCESS MAY-BLOSSOM.

PRINCE.

My Princess, my Princess, the tale I had heard, But never imagined such beauty as this! A century sleeping and never disturbed ! Now take, thou beloved, the awakening kiss.

PRINCESS (waking, as from a dream).

I hear the birds singing, I see the dawn breaking-

PRINCE. (She stirs, she speaks !)

How brilliant the sunshine! PRINCESS. How mellow the song!

PRINCE. Ah, Princess, fair Princess! my fate was to capture

Those eyes' first regard and those lips' virgin kiss;

A hundred years treasured, now mine be the rapture

To serve thee and love thee for ever like this !

PRINCESS. I've slept through the winters And slept through the summers, A sleep that has held me A hundred long years. Secluded, unnoticed By goers and comers, Till now the predestined Prince Charming appears. ٢

> Then, oh ! what a waking Has come to my slumbers ! I rise from my pillow As fresh as a rose. The years have not marked me; Untouched by their numbers, My life shall begin As mine eyelids unclose

Вотн. Then, oh ! what a waking Has come to ${my \\ thy}$ slumbers I rise) Arise } my pillow from $\left\{\begin{array}{c} \text{Iny}\\ \text{thy}\end{array}\right\}$ As fresh as a rose. j me; The years have not marked thee; Untouched by their numbers, $\frac{My}{Thy}$ life shall begin

As { mine } thine } eyelids unclose.

CHORUS.

And the spellbound Palace at once awoke, The spellbound chimneys began to smoke ; And the clocks all struck And the spits all turned, And the fountains played, And the fires all burned; And the marriage rites were solemnly said, And the happy pair were wed, And the ring was blessed and the bells were rung, And the satin shoes were flung; And they'll add, no doubt, who tell the tale, How the fountains spouted wine and ale, And merriment rang from floor to rafter, And they all lived happily for ever after.

> There is a world we all do know-The happy world of "Long-ago."

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FIRST CHAPTER.

Narrator .--Once upon a time, in the kingdom of "Faraway," in the world of "Long-ago," reigned a King and Queen—the greatest and most beloved that had ever been known. Their dominions stretched from sea to sea, and embraced peoples of many tongues and races, all happy and prosperous, and united in the love they bore to their sovereign and his beautiful consort.

But even as the sunniest landscape has somewhere a dark shadow, so over the perfect happiness of this royal pair there was one cloud—they had no children.

The only thing which mitigated their sorrow was an old prophecy, that, by the time they should have been married seven years, an important event would occur. And sure enough, on the seventh anniversary of the royal wedding day, a beautiful little Princess came into the world.

Imagine then the rejoicings at the Court of "Faraway!" The royal banner was flung forth from the highest pinnacle of the Palace, while every fountain spouted wine instead of water, and an ox was roasted whole at each of the countless bonfires.

And great preparations were made so that the christening of the Princess should be worthy of the high estate to which she was born. Not only were all the great nobles invited, and the ambassadors of the neighbouring kingdoms, but the king caused invitations to be sent to all the fairies who could be found, for the christening gifts of *fairies* are far more precious than any that *mortals* can bestow.

So one of the royal cards was left in the Hawthorn Grove, for Fairy Maybud, another was dropped into the lake for Fairy Lotus, a third beneath the hedge of Sweetbriar for Fairy Wild-Rose; and other invitations were left where the fairies Crocus, Mignonette, Lily, and Sunbeam would be sure to find them.

But nobody thought of leaving a card of invitation in that dank swamp overgrown with nettles, which lay far back in the densest part of the forest, and Fairy Nettlesting, very touchy and very venomous, felt the slight deeply.

Still she came to the christening, for she was fond of feasting, but the good fairies watched her with misgivings, for they knew her malevolent power

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all too well, and when the time came for presenting their gifts, Fairy Sunbeam slipped unnoticed behind a tapestry curtain, determined that at least she should have the last word, and undo, as far as lay in her power, any mischief that Net-tlesting might cause.

Then Lily, Wildrose, Lotus, Crocus, and Mignonette came forward, and extending their wands over the smiling infant spoke one after the other;



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sue for cap - ture, Pain shall shun her, be-side her Joy sue for cap - ture, Pain shall shun her, sorrow flee her, Joy be - side her 10 Joy sue for cap - ture, Pain shall shun her, sorrow flee her, be - side her sue for cap - ture, Pain shall shun her, Sorrow flee her, Joy be - side her 3 C shall breathe free All her life shall be a er, -_ -**I**O 0. shall breathe free er, Prin-cess of -а 0 20 ø 0 shall breathe free Prin-cess of er, а Ó 10 0 0. đ shall breathe Prin free er, -- cess L.H. A 睲 O 8 O

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Narrator — Then there was such a scene of rejoicing as had never been seen in the kingdom of "Faraway." Everyone was laughing and talking at once, — shaking hands and embracing, — while those who dared venture so far, pressed forward to kiss the lovely infant.

But a sudden chill came over the company and everyone fell silent as Fairy Nettlesting pushed forward to the cradle.

FAIRY NETTLESTING'S SONG.



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 \frown Narrator_ For an instant there was silence _ the silence of horror_ and then a wail of anguish was wrung from every heart as all realized the terrible doom thus pronounced on the Princess.

Pale as death the King rose from his throne, but steadying his voice, said in tones that reached the furthest corner of the great Hall of the Palace:



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Narrator___ Then the sound of weeping died away, for, "surely" all thought, "if every spinning-wheel is banished from the land, the Princess is in no danger."

And now Fairy Sunbeam flings aside the curtain that screens her and glides over to the cradle.

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FAIRY. SUNBEAM'S SONG.



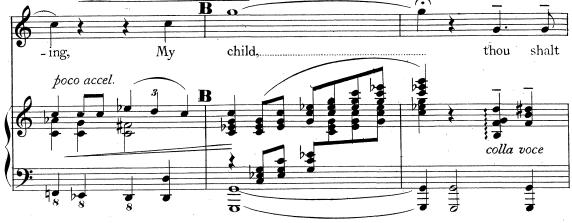
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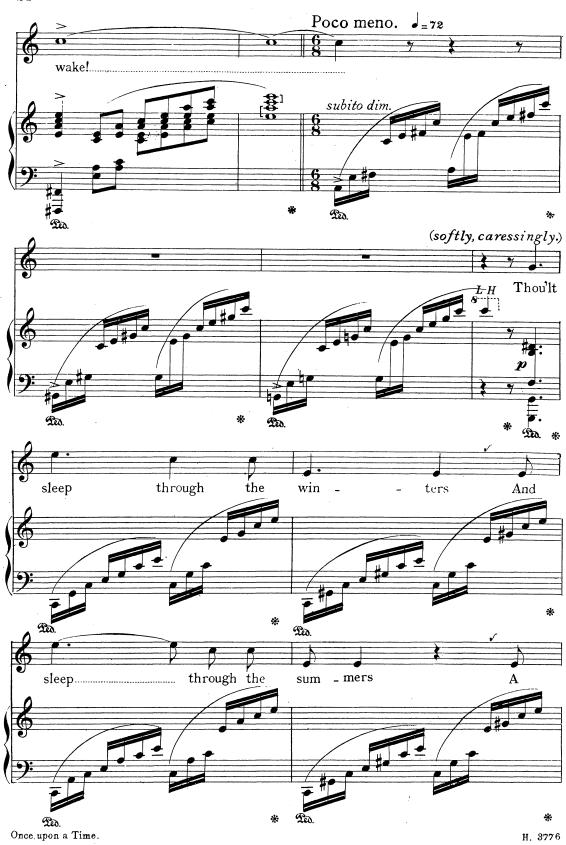






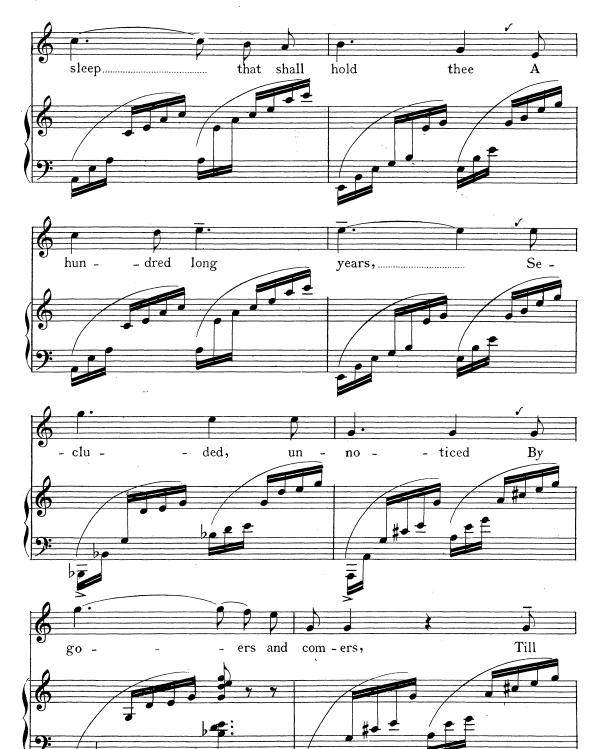
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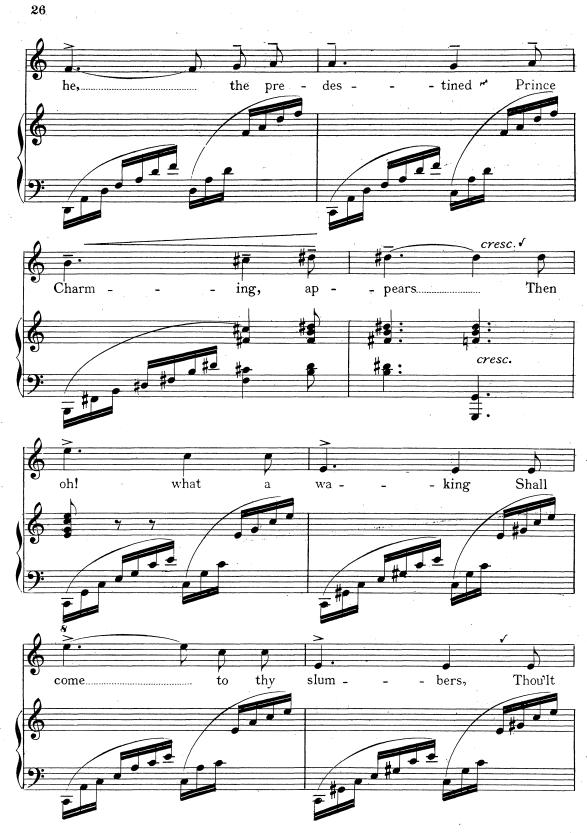
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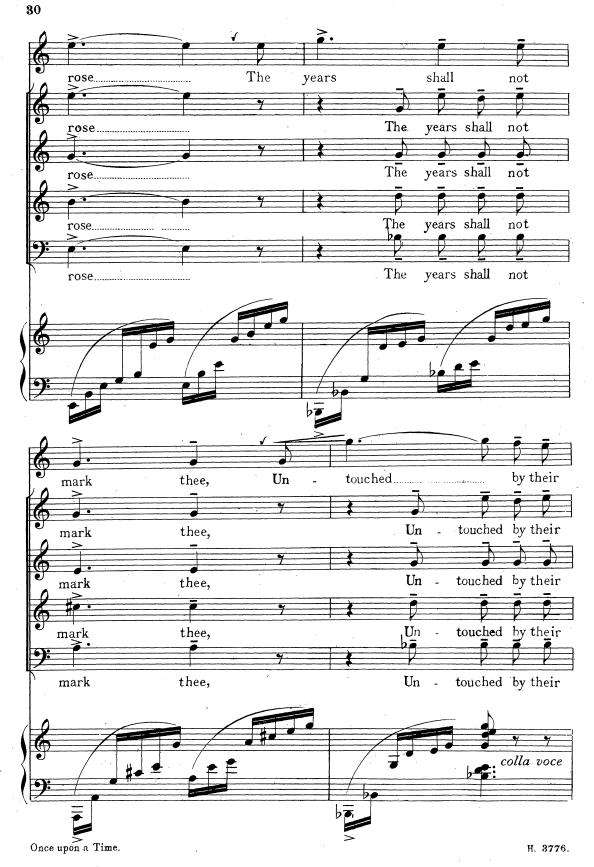


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SECOND CHAPTER.

Narrator: __And Princess Mayblossom grew up good and beautiful. Her eyes were as blue as the summer skies, her little feet tripped like an elf's, and her long golden hair was the wonder of the whole country_it almost touched the ground.

She was indeed a "Fairy-god-child" The fatal prophecy, though kept a profound secret, was never forgotten, and she was most jealously shielded from every possible harm. But when her fifteenth birthday arrived all felt that the danger was past.

The King and Queen were so relieved that they resolved to honour the day by a grand festival; once more, as on the occasion of her christening, there were to be general rejoicings. The Palace grounds were to be open to all and in the evening there was to be a banquet followed by a masked ball.

At this ball, held in the state ballroom, Princess Mayblossom was the admired of all beholders. By the King's orders she was attended everywhere by two very strict duennas, who were commanded not to lose sight of her till the clock actually struck twelve, when her birthday would be at an end and the malice of Fairy Nettlesting powerless for further evil.

But not by the duennas alone was the Princess watched. All eyes were upon her_all lips murmured her praises. Eagerly the courtiers pressed round and noted the exquisite grace of her dancing, and unconsciously kept time to the melody of her little feet as they fell on the ballroom floor _ light _ light as snow-flakes.

She scarcely seemed to touch the ground.

WALTZ-SONG.

(Chorus and Princess Mayblossom.)



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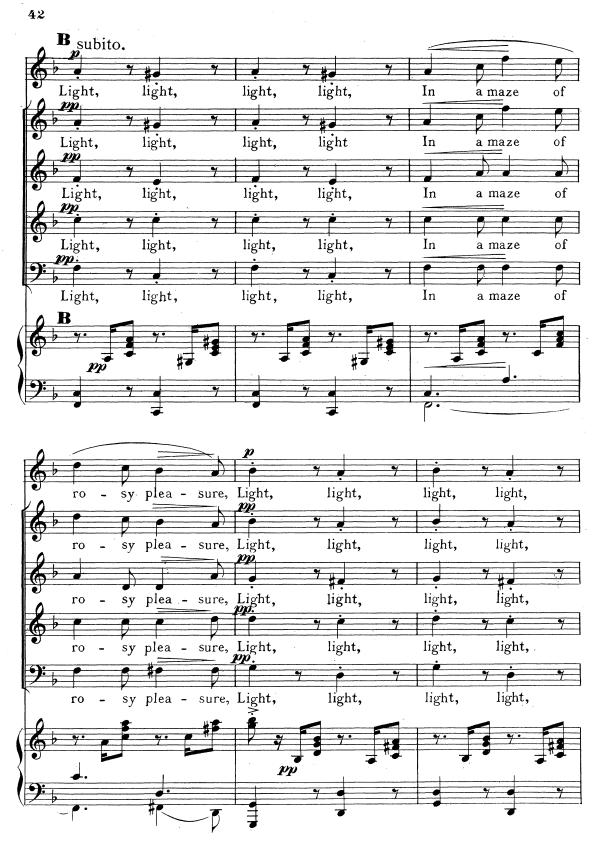
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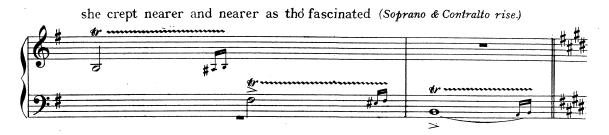
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Narrator— Now, how it all happened none ever knew, but it seems most likely that the cruel Fairy Nettlesting cast some spell, powerful enough to deceive everybody, and even to blind the eyes of the faithful ladies-in-waiting to whose special charge the Princess had been entrusted. Certain it is that, though no one at first missed her, the Princess all of a sudden found herself wandering alone in a distant wing of the Palace, wherein she had never even set foot before.— She seemed irrestistibly urged onwards till at the end of a long corridor she reached a half-open door from which came a strange curious humming sound.

Peeping in, she saw a little white-haired old woman (no doubt Fairy Nettlesting herself in disguise) seated in front of a strange-looking wheel such as Mayblossom had never seen





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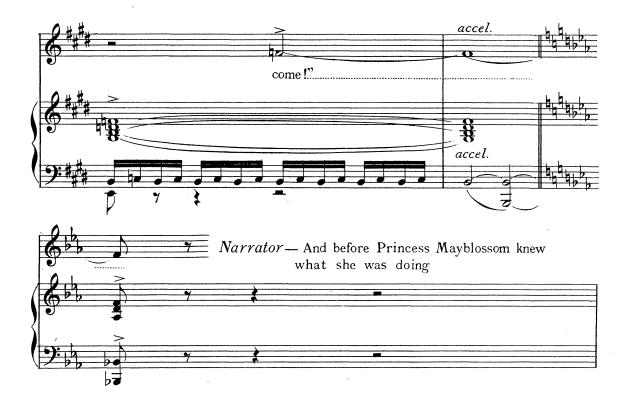
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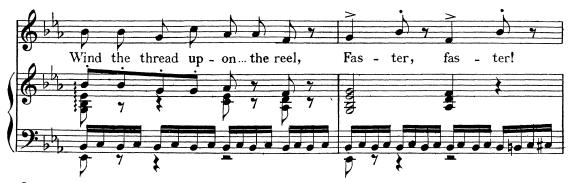
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"SPINNING SONG."*

Princess Mayblossom.







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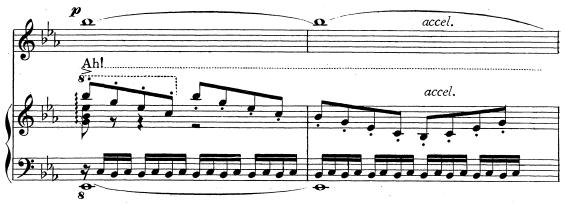
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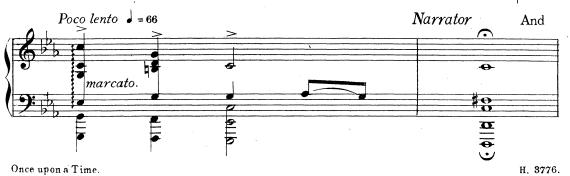


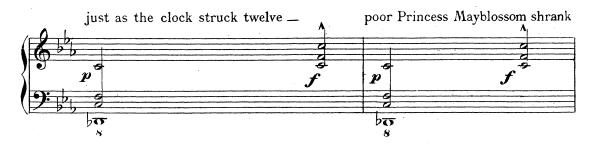
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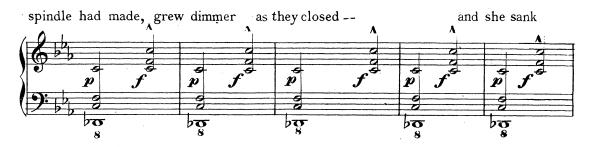














Narrator continuing __ At the same moment the King and Queen followed by a throng of courtiers burst through the door, for they had been searching every nook and corner of the Palace. And when they saw Mayblossom lying still and white, and the spinning-wheel beside her (of course the wicked Fairy had vanished into thin air) __ they knew that the fatal prophecy had been fulfilled.

Weeping they lifted her on to a couch, and her glorious hair shrouded her slender form like a royal mantle.

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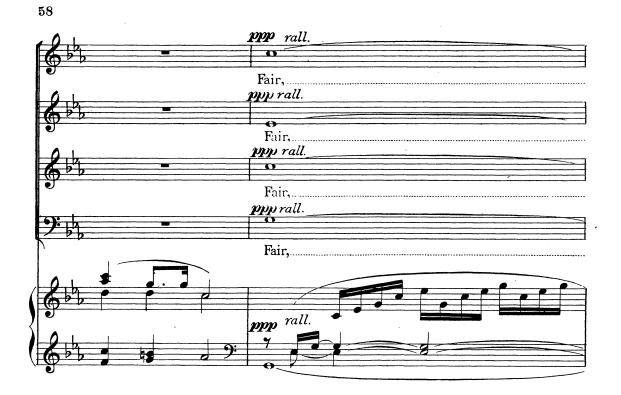


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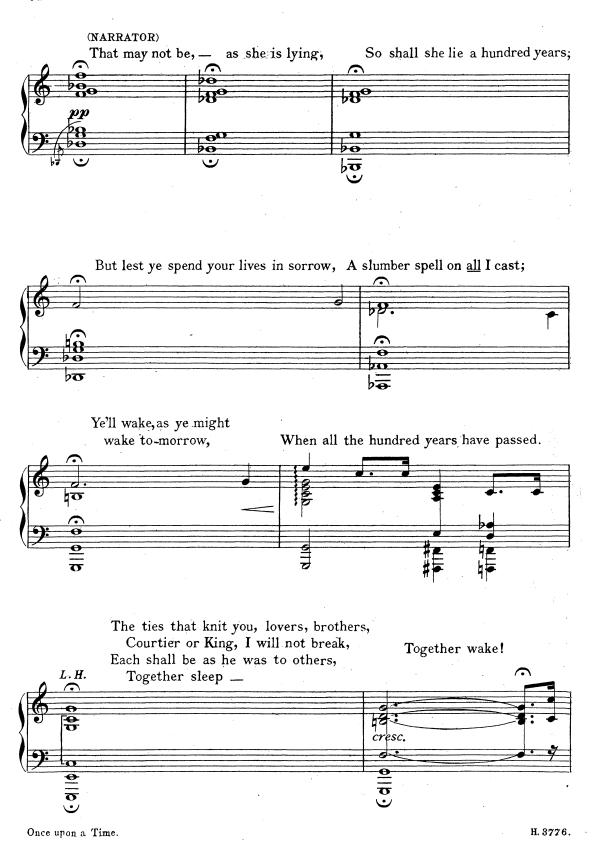
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Narrator:- And suddenly Fairy Sunbeam stood among them._

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Narrator:-And a deep sleep overcame them all-King, Queen, and Courtiers,guests, musicians, servants,- the very cooks in the kitchen, who were preparing the midnight supper, sank down with the saucepans in their hands.

And outside a tall Briar-rose sprang up and covered the entire Palace before morning.

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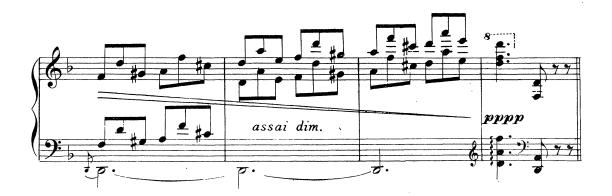
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So the years rolled by $_$ and the Palace and all within it remained undisturbed. It was known to be the scene of some great enchantment and held in awe, for none that ventured near it ever returned.

And with time the climbing Briar-rose had spread and mingled with the vines and shrubs of the Palace gardens and with the trees of the Park, till they thickened into an impenetrable forest that overshadowed the country for miles around.

Infants born the night of Princess Mayblossom's birthday, grew into old men and women and died, and yet another generation passed _____ and in another part of the country in a newly erected Palace, another King had reigned in "Far-away"___ and another succeeded him and was now upon the throne

Well,-upon a lovely summer's morning, exactly one hundred years from the night when Princess Mayblossom had wounded her hand with the spindle, the King's only son went a-hunting. He was the handsomest Prince in the whole world, with flashing dark eyes, and a form so graceful that the people called him Prince Charming. Of a daring nature, and fond of adventure, his disposition was romantic; but it was remarked that not one of the beauties at his fathers court had ever succeeded in touching his heart.

On the day in question the gallant young Prince had ridden in mad pursuit of a white stag ______ the finest he had ever seen _____ and ere long he had distanced all his attendants and reached the borders of the enchanted forest. Here, on a sudden impulse, he dismounted and throwing the reins on his horse's neck, pushed on alone and on foot.

All this must certainly have been pre-ordained by Fairy-Sunbeam ---





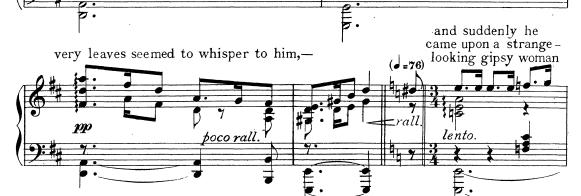
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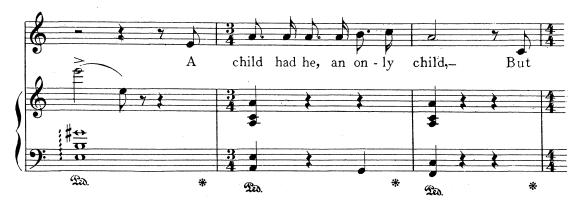


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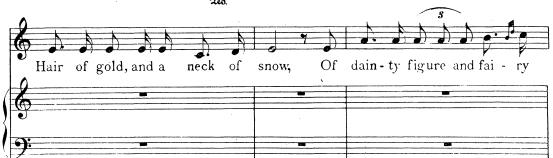








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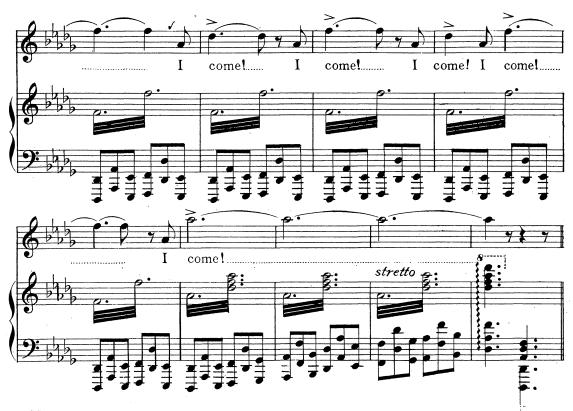


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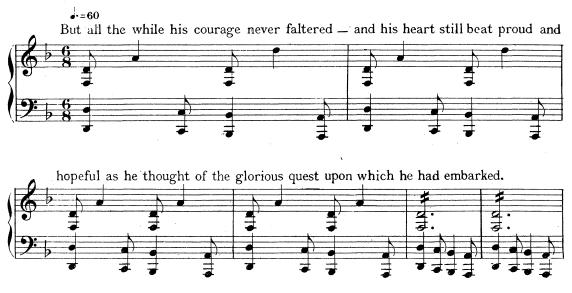


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Narrator: And therewith Prince Charming plunged into the dim recesses of the wood. Deadly serpents reared and hissed in his path, foul nightbirds shrieked discordant in his ear, monstrous bats and winged dragons whirled around his head and darted in his face, while the darkness deepened above him and the tangle of undergrowth thickened round him till his arm was weary and his sword dull with hewing a passage through.



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(Prince Charming and Invisible Spirits in the wood.)



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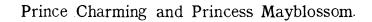
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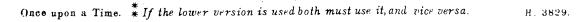


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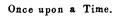
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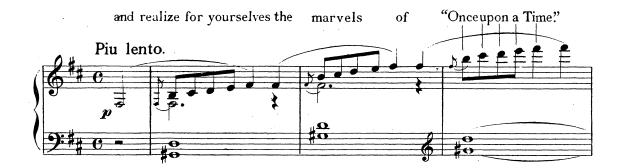


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Narrator - Yes, - that is the end of the story, the only proper end for a Fairy - tale.

"They all lived happily for ever after." And their children's children's children's children's children's children are upon the throne to this day.-

And if any of you want to visit the land of "Far-away," it is really not so very far away; you can get to it almost any night





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