

## M.6.7A

## APPENDIX: The Witches' Song

BEN JONSON

## RICHARD JOHN SAMUEL STEVENS (1757-1837)

**Moderato**

SOPRANO

ALTO

TENOR

BASS 1

BASS 2

[BASSO  
CONTINUO]\*

*f* 6  $\natural$  8 7 6 5 6 7 6 7 6 7 6

FIRST WITCH SOLO

Soprano (S)

Alto (A)

Tenor (T)

Bass 1 (B1)

Bass 2 (B2)

Bassoon (Bc)

*I have been all*

7      6      5      6      6      4      5      6      6      5      6      5

*p*

\*The instrumental accompaniment is given in short score; depending on the performance circumstances, it could be played by the continuo and a melody instrument (violin/flute, keyboard), arranged for a small orchestral ensemble, or played by a piano etc. It is here designated throughout as Bc.

In performance, quavers should be shortened throughout, where appropriate (e.g. bar 12 etc.)

9

S day look - ing af - ter A rav - en, feed - ing up - on a quar - ter; And

Bc

**Tasto Solo**

12

S soon as she turn'd her beak to the south I snatch'd this mor - sel

Bc

3 8 7 4 3

**Tasto Solo**

15

S out\_\_\_\_ of her mouth, out\_\_\_\_ of her mouth, out\_\_\_\_ of her mouth, I

Bc

5 6 7 6 7 6 7 6 7 6

**CHORUS**

18

S snatch'd this mor - sel out\_\_\_\_ of her mouth. Out\_\_\_\_ of her mouth,

A

f

Out of her mouth, out of\_\_\_\_

T

f

Out of her mouth, out

B1

f

Out of her mouth,

B2

f

Out\_\_\_\_ of her mouth, out

Bc

7 6 4 6 6 4 5 6 7 6 f

21

S: out of her mouth, I snatch'd this mor - sel out of her mouth.

A: — her mouth, she snatch'd this mor - sel out of her mouth.

T: 8 of her mouth, she snatch'd this mor - sel out of her mouth.

B1: out of her mouth, she snatch'd this mor - sel out of her mouth.

B2: of her mouth, she snatch'd this mor - sel out of her mouth.

Bc: 7 6 7 6 7 6 4 6 6 6 4 6

24

[FIFTH] WITCH SOLO

B2: I last night lay all a- lone On the

Bc: 6 4 6 6 6 4 p Tasto Solo

28

B2: ground, to hear the man - drake groan, And pluck'd him up, though he

Bc:

31

B2: grew full low, And, as I had done, the cock did crow, And

Bc: 4 6 Tasto Solo



43

A out this skull From char - nel - hou - ses that were full, From

Bc

6 4 6 4 4 2 6 2

46

A pri - vate grots\_\_\_\_ and\_\_\_\_ pub - lic\_\_\_\_ pits, And fright - ed a sex - ton

Bc

6 6 5 6 4 5 Tasto Solo

49

A out\_\_\_\_ of his wits,\_\_\_\_ and\_\_\_\_ fright - ed a sex - ton out of his wits.

Bc

**CHORUS**

52 f.

S Fright - ed a sex - ton out of his wits, she fright - ed a sex - ton

A Fright - ed a sex - ton out of his wits, she fright - ed a sex - ton

T f. 8 Fright - ed a sex - ton out of his wits, she fright - ed a sex - ton

B1 Fright - ed a sex - ton out of his wits, she fright - ed a sex - ton

B2 f. Fright - ed a sex - ton out of his wits, she fright - ed a sex - ton

Bc f. 6 6 6 6 6 7 7

55

S out of his wits.

A out of his wits.

T 8 out of his wits.

B1 out of his wits.

B2 out of his wits.

Bc

$\frac{6}{5}$   $\frac{6}{4}$   $\frac{6}{7}$   $\frac{6}{6}$   $\frac{7}{6}$   $\frac{7}{6}$   $\frac{7}{6}$   $\frac{7}{6}$   $\frac{6}{5}$

59

**FIRST WITCH SOLO**

S Un - der a cra - dle I did creep By day, and

Bc

$\frac{6}{4}$   $p$   $\frac{6}{6}$   $\frac{6}{6}$   $\frac{6}{6}$   $\frac{6}{6}$   $\frac{6}{4}$   $\frac{3}{3}$

63

S when the child was a - sleep At night, I suck'd the breath, and

Bc

$\frac{6}{6}$   $\frac{6}{6}$   $\frac{6}{6}$   $\frac{6}{6}$   $\frac{6}{6}$   $\frac{6}{5}$

66

S rose, And pluck'd the nod - ding nurse by the nose, by the

**SECOND WITCH SOLO**

A By the nose,

Bc

$\frac{7}{6}$   $\frac{6}{6}$   $\frac{6}{6}$   $\frac{6}{6}$   $\frac{6}{4}$   $\frac{6}{6}$

69

S nose, by the nose. We  
A — by the nose, pluck'd her by the nose. We  
Bc 7 6 6 7 4 3 6 7 3

**CHORUS**

S pluck'd the nod - ding nurse by the nose. We  
A pluck'd the nod - ding nurse by the nose. We  
T 8 We f  
B1 We f  
B2 We f  
Bc 7 6 7 6 4 3 6 f

**75**

S pluck'd the nod - ding nurse by the nose, We pluck'd the nod - ding  
A pluck'd the nod - ding nurse by the nose, We pluck'd the nod - ding  
T 8 pluck'd the nod - ding nurse by the nose, We pluck'd the nod - ding  
B1 pluck'd the nod - ding nurse by the nose, We pluck'd the nod - ding  
B2 pluck'd the nod - ding nurse by the nose, We pluck'd the nod - ding  
Bc 5 6 7 6 7 6 7 6 5

78

S nurse by the nose.

A nurse by the nose.

T nurse by the nose.

B1 nurse by the nose. **FOURTH WITCH SOLO**

B2 nurse by the nose.

Bc

6 4      5                    6      3                    6      6                    6      3

=

81

B1 mur - der - er yon - der was hung in chains, The sun and the wind had

Bc

**Tasto Solo**

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84

B1 shrunk his veins; I bit off a sin - ew, I clipp'd his hair, I

Bc

6

=

87

B1 brought of his rags that dane'd in the air, I brought of his rags that

Bc

6      6      6      7                    7                    7                    6

CHORUS *f*

Soprano (S) - Treble clef, B-flat key signature.

Alto (A) - Treble clef, B-flat key signature.

Tenor (T) - Bass clef, B-flat key signature.

Bass 1 (B1) - Bass clef, B-flat key signature.

Bass 2 (B2) - Bass clef, B-flat key signature.

Bass 3 (Bc) - Bass clef, B-flat key signature.

Measure 90:

S: We brought of his rags that

A: We brought of his rags that danc'd \_\_\_\_\_

T: We brought of his rags that

B1: danc'd \_\_\_\_\_ in the air. We brought of his rags that

B2: We brought of his rags that

Bc: (measures 6-7) 6 4 5 6 4 5 5 6 7 6 [f]

**Equal Sign**

Soprano (S) - Treble clef, B-flat key signature.

Alto (A) - Treble clef, B-flat key signature.

Tenor (T) - Bass clef, B-flat key signature.

Bass 1 (B1) - Bass clef, B-flat key signature.

Bass 2 (B2) - Bass clef, B-flat key signature.

Bass 3 (Bc) - Bass clef, B-flat key signature.

Measure 92:

S: danc'd in the air, she brought of his rags that danc'd in the air.

A: — in the air, she brought of his rags that danc'd in the air.

T: 8 danc'd in the air, she brought of his rags that danc'd in the air.

B1: danc'd in the air, she brought of his rags that danc'd in the air.

B2: danc'd in the air, she brought of his rags that danc'd in the air.

Bc: (measures 7-12) 7 6 7 6 7 6 5 6 6 6 4 6 6

## CHORUS

*f* Largo

95

S We have brought, to

A We have brought, to

T We have brought, to

B1 We have brought, to

B2 We have brought, to

Bc

$\frac{6}{4}$   $\frac{\natural}{6}$   $\frac{6}{4}$   $\frac{\natural}{6}$

$f$

**Tasto Solo**



99

S aid our vows, Horn - ed pop - py, cy - press

A aid our vows, Horn - ed pop - py, cy - press

T aid our vows, Horn - ed pop - py, cy - press

B1 aid our vows, Horn - ed pop - py, cy - press

B2 aid our vows, Horn - ed pop - py, cy - press

Bc

$\frac{\flat}{3}$

$f$

**SOLI**

104      *p*

S boughs, The fig - tree wild, that grows on

A boughs, The fig - tree wild, that grows on

T boughs, The fig - tree wild, that grows on

B1 boughs, The fig - tree wild, that grows on

B2 boughs, The fig - tree wild, that grows on

Bc          

**CHORUS**

108      *f*

S tombs, And juice that from the larch tree

A tombs, And juice that from the larch tree

T tombs, And juice that from the larch tree

B1 tombs, And juice that from the larch tree

B2 tombs, And juice that from the larch tree

Bc      

**CHORUS**

108      *f*

S tombs, And juice that from the larch tree

A tombs, And juice that from the larch tree

T tombs, And juice that from the larch tree

B1 tombs, And juice that from the larch tree

B2 tombs, And juice that from the larch tree

Bc      

112

**SOLI**

*p*

S comes, juice that from the larch tree *tr*

A comes, juice that from the larch tree *tr*

T 8 comes, juice that from the larch tree *p*

B1 comes, juice that from the larch tree *p*

B2 comes, juice that from the larch tree *p*

Bc

b 7 6 b b 6 6 6 b6 5 7

*p*

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116

**CHORUS**

*f*

S comes, The bas - il - isk's blood, the vi - per's

A comes, The bas - il - isk's blood, the vi - per's

T 8 comes, The bas - il - isk's blood, the vi - per's

B1 comes, The bas - il - isk's blood, the vi - per's

B2 comes, The bas - il - isk's blood, the vi - per's

Bc

b f

120

S skin, the bas - il - isk's blood and the vi - per's

A skin the bas - il - isk's blood and the vi - per's

T skin the bas - il - isk's blood and the vi - per's

B1 skin the bas - il - isk's blood and the vi - per's

B2 skin the bas - il - isk's blood and the vi - per's

Bc



124

**SOLI**

S skin; Now our or - gies let's be - gin,

A skin; Now our or - gies let's be - gin,

T skin; Now our or - gies let's be - gin,

B1 skin; Now our or - gies let's be - gin,

B2 skin; Now our or - gies let's be - gin,

Bc

*pp*

6      5      3      2      3

**131 CHORUS**

Soprano (S) *p* now our or - gies let's be - gin, now our or - gies

Alto (A) *p* now our or - gies let's be - gin, now our or - gies

Tenor (T) *p* now our or - gies let's be - gin, now our or - gies

Bass 1 (B1) *p* now our or - gies let's be - gin, now our or - gies

Bass 2 (B2) *p* now our or - gies let's be - gin, now our or - gies

Bass 3 (Bc) *p*  $\frac{6}{4}$   $\frac{3}{4}$  *cres.*  $\frac{7}{4}$   $\frac{3}{4}$  *f*  $\frac{5}{4}$   $\frac{6}{4}$

**=**

**137** **Tempo Ordinario**

Soprano (S) let's be - gin, now let's be - gin.

Alto (A) let's be - gin, now let's be - gin.

Tenor (T)  $\frac{8}{8}$  let's be - gin, now let's be - gin.

Bass 1 (B1) let's be - gin, now let's be - gin.

Bass 2 (B2) let's be - gin, now let's be - gin.

Bass 3 (Bc)  $\frac{6}{4}$   $\frac{3}{4}$   $\frac{5}{4}$   $\frac{6}{4}$  *f*  $\frac{6}{4}$   $\frac{5}{4}$

145

Bc

8 7 6 5 4 5 6 7 6 7 6 7 6 4 6 6 6 6 6 6

**CHORUS**

150

*f*

S

We have brought, to aid our vows, horn-ed pop-py,

A

We have brought, to aid our vows, horn-ed pop-py,

T

We have brought, to aid our vows, horn-ed pop-py,

B1

We have brought, to aid our vows, horn-ed pop-py,

B2

We have brought, to aid our vows, horn-ed pop-py,

Bc

6 4 5 6 7 6

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S

cy - press boughs, horn-ed pop-py, cy - press boughs;

A

cy - press boughs, horn-ed pop-py, cy - press boughs,

T

cy - press boughs, horn-ed pop-py, cy - press boughs,

B1

cy - press boughs, horn-ed pop-py, cy - press boughs,

B2

cy - press boughs, horn-ed pop-py, cy - press boughs,

Bc

7 6 7 6 7 6 4 6 6 6 4

157

**SOLI**

**CHORUS *f***

S: Now our or - gies

A: horn - ed pop - py, cy - press boughs; Now our or - gies

T: <sup>8</sup> horn - ed pop - py, cy - press boughs; Now our or - gies

B1: horn - ed pop - py, cy - press boughs; Now our or - gies

B2: horn - ed pop - py, cy - press boughs; Now our or - gies

Bc:   
 $\begin{matrix} 6 & 8 & 7 & \natural \\ p & & & \end{matrix}$        $\begin{matrix} 6 & 4 & \natural \\ & & \end{matrix}$        $\begin{matrix} 6 & \\ f & \end{matrix}$        $\begin{matrix} 6 & 6 \\ & 4 \end{matrix}$



160

S: let's be - gin with the bas - il - isk's blood and the vi - per's skin,

A: let's be - gin with the bas - il - isk's blood and the vi - per's skin,

T: <sup>8</sup> let's be - gin with the bas - il - isk's blood and the vi - per's skin,

B1: let's be - gin with the bas - il - isk's blood and the vi - per's skin,

B2: let's be - gin with the bas - il - isk's blood and the vi - per's skin,

Bc:   
 $\begin{matrix} 9 & 8 & \natural 6 \\ 4 & & \end{matrix}$        $\begin{matrix} 5 & \\ 4 & \end{matrix}$        $\begin{matrix} 6 & 6 \\ 3 & \end{matrix}$        $\begin{matrix} 4 & \\ 2 & \end{matrix}$

163 **SOLI**

*p*

S now our or - gies let's be - gin, with the bas - il - isk's blood and the

A now our or - gies let's be - gin, with the bas - il - isk's blood and the

T *p*  
8 now our or - gies let's be - gin, with the bas - il - isk's blood and the

B1 now our or - gies let's be - gin, with the bas - il - isk's blood and the

B2 now our or - gies let's be - gin, with the bas - il - isk's blood and the

Bc *p*  
6 6 7 6 6 7 6 3  
4 3 5 4 5 4 3

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166 **CHORUS**

S vi - per's skin.

A vi - per's skin.

T *f*  
8 vi - per's skin. Now our or - - - gies,

B1 vi - per's skin. Now our or - - - gies,

B2 *f* vi - per's skin. Now our or - - - gies,

Bc *f* 6 6 6

2

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Soprano (S) vocal line:

now our or - - - gies, now \_\_\_\_\_ our\_

Alto (A) vocal line:

or - - - - - gies, now our or - - gies,

Tenor (T) vocal line:

<sup>8</sup> - - - gies, now our or - - gies, now \_\_\_\_\_ our\_

Bass 1 (B1) vocal line:

now our or - - - - - gies,— now, now,

Bass 2 (B2) vocal line:

now our or - - - - - gies, now our

Bassoon (Bc) instrumental line:

7 6 6 6

179

S: or - - - gies, now our or - gies let's be -

A: now our or - gies, now our or - gies let's be -

T: 8 or - gies, now our or - gies, now our or - gies let's be -

B1: now our or - gies, now our or - gies let's be -

B2: or - gies, now our or - gies, now our or - gies let's be -

Bc:  $\begin{matrix} 6 & 9 & 6 & 6 & 6 & 6 & 6 \end{matrix}$   $\begin{matrix} 5 & 4 & 5 & 4 & 3 & 4 & 3 \end{matrix}$



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S: gin, Now our or - gies, now our or - gies let's be -

A: gin, let's be - gin, now our or - gies be - gin, now, now be -

T: 8 gin, let's be - gin, now our or - gies be - gin, now our or - gies let's be -

B1: gin, let's be - gin, now our or - gies be - gin, now our or - gies let's be -

B2: gin, let's be - gin, now our or - gies be - gin, now, now be -

Bc:  $\begin{matrix} \flat & \sharp & 6 & \sharp & 6 & \flat & 7 & 7 & 6 & 4 & 6 & 3 \end{matrix}$

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S      gin, now our or - gies let's be - gin, Now our

A      gin, now our or - gies, our or - gies let's be - gin, now our or - gies, our

T      8      gin, now our or - gies, our or - gies let's be - gin, now our or - gies, our

B1     gin now our or - - - gies let's be - gin, now our or - - -

B2     gin, now our or - - - gies let's be - gin, now our or - - -

Bc     6       $\frac{6}{4}$       3      6



190

S      or - gies let's be - gin, now our or - - gies

A      or - gies let's be - gin, now, now our or - - gies

T      8      or - gies let's be - gin, now, now our or - - gies

B1     - gies let's be - gin, now, now our or - - gies

B2     - gies let's be - gin, now our or - - gies

Bc      $\frac{6}{5}$       6       $\frac{5}{4}$       7       $\frac{6}{4}$       7      6

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S let's be - gin, now, be - gin.

A let's be - gin, now, be - gin.

T 8 let's be - gin, now, be - gin.

B1 let's be - gin, now, be - gin.

B2 let's be - gin, now, be - gin.

Bc 7 7 7 7



200 *f*

S Now our or - gies let's be - gin, with the bas - il - isk's blood and the

A Now our or - gies let's be - gin, with the bas - il - isk's blood and the

T 8 Now our or - gies let's be - gin, with the bas - il - isk's blood and the

B1 Now our or - gies let's be - gin, with the bas - il - isk's blood and the

B2 Now our or - gies let's be - gin, with the bas - il - isk's blood and the

Bc 6 6 6 9 8 8 4 5 4 3 6 6

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**SOLI *p***

S vi - per's skin, Now our or - gies let's be - gin, with the

A vi - per's skin, Now our or - gies let's be - gin, with the *p*

T vi - per's skin, Now our or - gies let's be - gin, with the *p*

B1 vi - per's skin, Now our or - gies let's be - gin, with the *p*

B2 vi - per's skin, Now our or - gies let's be - gin, with the *p*

Bc

4 2      6 *p*      6 4      7      6 5

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**CHORUS**

S bas - il - isk's blood and the vi - per's skin.

A bas - il - isk's blood and the vi - per's skin.

T bas - il - isk's blood and the vi - per's skin. Now our *f*

B1 bas - il - isk's blood and the vi - per's skin. Now our *f*

B2 bas - il - isk's blood and the vi - per's skin. Now our *f*

Bc

6 4      7 5      6 4      3      *f*      6 6      6

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Soprano (S) vocal line:

A Alto (A) vocal line:

Tenor (T) vocal line:

Bass 1 (B1) vocal line:

Bass 2 (B2) vocal line:

Bass 3 (Bc) vocal line:

Accompaniment (Bass 3) harmonic progression:

6 6 6 6 6 6 6 5

Text lyrics:

Now our or - gies, now our  
 Now our or - gies, now our or - gies,  
 or - gies, now our or - gies, now our  
 or - gies, now our or - gies, our or -  
 or - gies, now our or - gies, our or -  
 or - gies, now our or - gies, our or -

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Soprano (S) vocal line:

Alto (A) vocal line:

Tenor (T) vocal line:

Bass 1 (B1) vocal line:

Bass 2 (B2) vocal line:

Bass 3 (Bc) vocal line:

Accompaniment (Bass 3) harmonic progression:

6 6 6 6 6 6 6 5

Text lyrics:

or - gies, now our or - gies, now  
 now our or - gies, now our  
 or - gies, now our or - gies, our or -  
 - gies, now our or - gies, our or -  
 - gies, now our or - gies, our or -  
 - gies, now our or - gies, our or -

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S: our or - gies, now our or - gies

A: or - gies, now our or - gies, now our or - gies

T: <sup>8</sup> now our or - gies, now our or - gies, now our or - gies

B1: now, now, now our or - gies, now, now our or - gies

B2: now our or - gies, now our or - gies, now our or - gies

Bc:   
 6                    6                    9                    8                    6                    6                    6  
 6                    6                    5                    6                    5                    6                    5  
 6                    6                    5                    6                    4                    5

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224

S: let's be - gin, now our or - gies, now our

A: let's be - gin, let's be - gin, now our or - gies be - gin, now,

T: <sup>8</sup> let's be - gin, let's be - gin, now our or - gies be - gin, now, our

B1: let's be - gin, let's be - gin, now our or - gies be - gin, now, our

B2: let's be - gin, let's be - gin, now our or - gies be - gin, now,

Bc:   
 6                    5                    b                    6                    7                    6                    5  
 4                    6                    b                    6                    7                    6                    5



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Soprano (S): now our or - - gies let's be - -

Alto (A): now our or - - gies let's be - -

Tenor (T): <sup>8</sup> now our or - - gies let's be - -

Bass 1 (B1): now our or - - gies let's be - -

Bass 2 (B2): now our or - - gies let's be - -

Bassoon (Bc): sustained notes on G, A, B, C, D, E, F, G

Measure numbers: 7, 6, 7, 6, 7, 7

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A SOPRANO

BEN JONSON

## APPENDIX: The Witches' Song

RICHARD JOHN SAMUEL STEVENS (1757-1837)

Moderato

FIRST WITCH SOLO

Musical score for the First Witch Solo. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats). The time signature changes from 4/4 to 7/8 at measure 7. The vocal line consists of eighth and sixteenth notes. The lyrics "I have been all" are written below the staff.

Musical score for the First Witch Solo. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats). The time signature is 4/4. The vocal line continues with eighth and sixteenth notes. The lyrics "day look-ing af - ter A rav-en, feed-ing up - on a quar-ter; And soon as she turn'd her" are written below the staff.

Musical score for the First Witch Solo. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats). The time signature is 4/4. The vocal line continues with eighth and sixteenth notes. The lyrics "beak to the south I snatch this mor - sel out of her mouth, out of her mouth, CHORUS" are written below the staff.

Musical score for the First Witch Solo. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats). The time signature is 4/4. The vocal line continues with eighth and sixteenth notes. The lyrics "out of her mouth, I snatch'd this mor-sel out of her mouth. Out of her mouth," are written below the staff.

Musical score for the First Witch Solo. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats). The time signature is 4/4. The vocal line continues with eighth and sixteenth notes. The lyrics "out of her mouth, I snatch this mor - sel out of her mouth." are written below the staff.

Musical score for the Chorus. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats). The time signature is 4/4. The vocal line consists of eighth and sixteenth notes. The lyrics "As she had done, the cock did crow, CHORUS" are written below the staff.

Musical score for the Chorus. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats). The time signature is 4/4. The vocal line consists of eighth and sixteenth notes. The lyrics "as she had done, the cock did crow. CHORUS" are written below the staff.

Musical score for the Chorus. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats). The time signature is 4/4. The vocal line consists of eighth and sixteenth notes. The lyrics "Fright-ed a sex - ton out of his wits, shefright-ed a sex - ton" are written below the staff.

Musical score for the Chorus. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats). The time signature is 4/4. The vocal line consists of eighth and sixteenth notes. The lyrics "out of his wits." are written below the staff.

## 60 FIRST WITCH SOLO

Un-der a cra-dle I did creep By day, and when the child was a sleep At night, I

suck'd the breath, and rose, And pluck'd the nod-ding nurse by the nose, by the

nose, by the nose. We pluck the nod-ding nurse by the nose. We

pluck'd the nod-ding nurse by the nose, We pluck'the nod-ding nurse by the nose.

## 90 CHORUS

W brought of his rags that lanc'd in the air, she brought of his rags that

danc'd in the air. We have brought, to aid our vows, Horn - ed

CHORUS pop- py, cy - press boughs, The fig - tree wild, that grows on tombs, And

juice that from the larch tree comes, juice that from the larch tree

CHORUS comes, The bas - il-isk's blood, the vi - per's skin, the bas - il-isk's

blood and the vi - per's skin;

## SOPRANO

3

127 **SOLI** *pp*

Now our or - gies let's be - gin, \_\_\_\_\_

131 **CHORUS** *p* *cres.* *f*

now our or - gies let's be - gin, \_\_\_\_\_ now our or - gies

137

let's be - gin, now let's be - gin, \_\_\_\_\_

144 **Tempo Ordinario**

\_\_\_\_\_

145 **CHORUS** *f*

We have brought, to aid our vows, horn - ed pop py, cy - press boughs,

155

**SOLI**
**CHORUS**

horn - ed pop - py, cy - press boughs; Now our or - gies

160

**SOLI** *p*
**CHORUS**

let's be - gin with the bas - il-isk's blood and the vi - per's skin, now our or - gies

164

**CHORUS**
**CHORUS**

let's be - gin, with the bas - il-isk's blood and the vi - per's skin.

## SOPRANO

4

171

Now our or-gies, now our or-gies, now our or-

177

- gies now our or - - - - gies now -

182

— our or-gies let's be - gin, Now our or-gies, now our or-gies let's be -

187

gin, now our or-gies let's be - gin, Now our or-gies let's be - gin, now -

192

our or - - gies let's be - gin, now, be -

199

SOLI

gin. Now our or-gies let's be-gin, with the bas-il-isk's blood and the vi-per's skin,

204

CHORUS

Now our or-gies let's be-gin, with the bas-il-isk's blood and the vi-per's skin.

212

Now our or - gies, now our or - gies, now our or -

218

- gies, now our or - - - - gies, now -

223

— our or-gies let's be - gin, now our or-gies, now our or-gies let's be -

## SOPRANO

5

228

gin, now our or-gies let's be - gin, now our or-gies let's be - gin, now \_\_\_\_

233

our or - - gies let's be -

237

gin, now,\_\_\_\_ be - - - gin.

ALTO

BEN JONSON

## APPENDIX: The Witches' Song

RICHARD JOHN SAMUEL STEVENS (1757-1837)

The musical score consists of two staves of music for alto voice. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one flat, and a common time signature. Measure 8 starts with a long note followed by a rest. Measure 9 begins with a bass clef, a key signature of one flat, and a common time signature. The lyrics "Out of her mouth, out of" are written below the notes. Measure 11 starts with a bass clef, a key signature of one flat, and a common time signature. The lyrics "her mouth, she snatch'd this mor-sel out of her mouth." are written below the notes. Measure 10 starts with a bass clef, a key signature of one flat, and a common time signature. Measure 2 begins with a bass clef, a key signature of one flat, and a common time signature. The lyrics "As she had done, the cock did crow, as she had done, the" are written below the notes. Measure 39 begins with a bass clef, a key signature of one flat, and a common time signature. The lyrics "cock did crow. And I have been choosing" are written below the notes. Measure 43 begins with a bass clef, a key signature of one flat, and a common time signature. The lyrics "out this skull From char-nel-hou-ses that were full, From pri-vate grot-s and" are written below the notes. Measure 47 begins with a bass clef, a key signature of one flat, and a common time signature. The lyrics "pub-lic-pits, And fright-ed a sex-ton out of his wits, and fright-ed a sex-ton" are written below the notes. Measure 51 begins with a bass clef, a key signature of one flat, and a common time signature. The lyrics "Fright-ed a sex-ton out of his wits, she fright-ed a sex-ton" are written below the notes. Measure 55 begins with a bass clef, a key signature of one flat, and a common time signature. The lyrics "out of his wits. By the nose," are written below the notes.

8

9                    11                    f  
Out        of        her     mouth,    out    of \_\_\_\_\_

21                    10  
— her mouth, she    snatch'd this mor - sel    out    of her    mouth.

34                    2                    f  
As    she    had    done,    the    cock    did    crow,    as    she    had    done,    the

39                    SECOND WITCH SOLO  
cock    did    crow.                    And    I    have    been    choosing

43  
out    this    skull    From    char-nel-hou-ses    that    were    full,    From    pri-vate    grot-s    and

47  
pub-lic-pits,    And    fright-ed    a    sex-ton    out    of    his    wits,    and    fright-ed    a    sex-ton

51                    f  
Fright-ed    a    sex-ton    out    of    his    wits,    she    fright-ed    a    sex-ton

55                    12                    SECOND WITCH SOLO  
out    of    his    wits.                    By    the    nose, \_\_\_\_\_

## ALTO

2

69

— by the nose, pluck'd her by the nose. We pluck'd the nod-ding nurse by the

74 >

nose. We pluck'd the nod-ding nurse by the nose, We pluck'd the nod-ding

78 11 f

nurse by the nose. Wrought of his rags that danc'd

92 2

— in the air, she brought of his rags that danc'd in the air.

97 f

We have brought, to aid our vows, Horn-ed pop-py, cy-press

104 p f

boughs, The fig-tree wild, that grows on tombs, And juice that from the

111 p tr f

larch tree comes, juice that from the larch tree comes, The bas-il-sk's

118

blood, the vi-per's skin the bas-il-sk's blood and the

123 pp

vi-per's skin; Now our or-gies let's be-gin,

131 p cres. f

now our or-gies let's be-gin, now our or-gies

## ALTO

3

137

let's be - gin, now let's be - gin.

144

145

**6** *f*

We have brought, to aid our vows, horn-ed pop - py, cy-pres\$oughs,

155

*p* *f*

horn - ed pop - py, cy-press boughs, horned pop-py, cy-press boughs; Now our or - gies

160

*p*

let's be - gin with the bas - il-isk's blood and the vi - per's skin, now our or - gies

164

**3**

let's be - gin, with the bas-il-isk's blood and the vi-per's skin. Now our

171

or - gies, now our or - gies, now our or - gies, now our

178

or - gies, now our or - gies, now our or - gies, now our or - gies, let's be -

184

gin, let's be-gin, now our or - gies be-gin, now, now be - gin, now our or - gies, our

188

or-gies let's be - gin, now our or- gies, our or-gies let's be - gin, now, now our

V.S.

## ALTO

4

193

or - gies let's be - gin, now, \_\_\_\_\_ be - gin.

200

Now our or-gies let's be - gin, with the bas-il-isk's blood and the vi-per's skin, Now our or-gies

205

let's be - gin, with the bas-il-isk's blood and the vi-per's skin. Now our

212

or - gies, now our or - gies, now our or - gies, now our

219

or - gies, now our or - gies, now our or - gies let's be -

225

gin, let's be- gin, now our or - gies be- gin, now, now be - gin, now our or - gies, our

229

or - gies let's be - gin, now our or - gies our or - gies let's be - gin, now, now our

234

or - gies let's be - gin, now, \_\_\_\_\_ be - gin.

## TENOR

BEN JONSON

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# Witches Song

RICHARD JOHN SAMUEL STEVENS (1757-1837)

13      8

9      11      f      Out      of      her      mouth,      out

21      10

of      her      mouthshe      snatch'this      mor - sel      out      of      her      mouth.

34      2      f      As      she      had      done,      the      cock      did      crow,      as

38      3

she      had      done,      the      cock      did      crow.

43      9      f      Fright-ed      a      sex - ton      out      of      his      wits,      she      fright-ed      a      sex - ton

55      13

out      of      his      wits.

69      5      f      Wopluck'd      the      nod - ding      nurse      by      the      nose,      We

77      11

pluck'd      the      nod - ding      nurse      by      the      nose.

## TENOR

2

90 *f*  
 W**r**ought of his rags that danc'd in the air, she brought of his rags that

94 **2** *f*  
 danc'd in the air. We have brought, to aid our vows, Horn - ed

102 *p* *f*  
 pop- py, cy - press boughs, The fig - tree wild, that grows on tombs, And

109 *p*  
 juice that from the larch tree comes, juice that from the larch tree

116 *f*  
 comes, The bas - il-isk's blood, the vi - per's skin the bas - il-isk's

122  
 blood and the vi - per's skin;

127 *pp*  
 Now our or - gies let's be - gin,

131 *p* *cres.* *f*  
 now our or - gies let's be - gin, now our or - gies

137  
 let's be - gin, now let's be - gin.

144

TENOR

3

## TENOR

4

202

bas - il-isk's blood and the vi - per's skin, Now our or - gies let's be - gin, with the

206

bas-il-isk's blood and the vi-per's skin. Now our or - gies, now our or - gies,

212

now our or - gies, now our or - gies, now our or - gies, now our

218

or - gies, now our or - gies, now our or - gies, now our or - gies

224

let's be - gin, let's be-gin, now our or - gies be- gin, now our or - gies let's be -

228

gin, now our or - gies, our or - gies let's be - gin, now our or - gies our or - gies let's be - gin, now,

233

now\_\_\_\_\_ our or - - - gies let's be - - -

237

gin, now, now, be - - - gin.

## BASS 1

BEN JONSON

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# Witches Song

RICHARD JOHN SAMUEL STEVENS (1757-1837)

80

## FOURTH WITCH SOLO



A mur-der-er yon-der washung in chains, The sun and the wind had

84



shrunk his veins; I bit off a sin-ew, I clipp'd his hair, I brought of his rags that

88



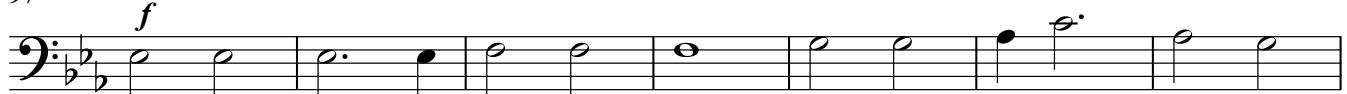
danc'd in the air, I brought of his rags that danc'd in the air. We brought of his rags that

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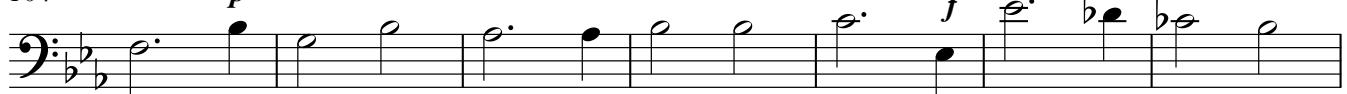
danc'd in the air, she brought of his rags that danc'd in the air.

97



We have brought, to aid our vows, Horn - ed pop- py, cy - press

104



boughs, The fig - tree wild, that grows on tombs, And juice that from the

111



larch tree comes, juice that from the larch\_ tree comes, The bas - ilisk's

118



blood, the vi - per's skin the bas - ilisk's blood and the vi - per's

124



skin; Now our or - gies let's be - gin,

131



now our or - gies let's be - gin, now our or - gies

## BASS 1

3

137

let's be - gin, now let's be - gin.

144

145

We have brought, to aid our vows, horn-ed pop py, cy - press boughs,

155

horn-ed poppy cy - press boughs, horned pop-py, cy - press boughs; Now our or - gies.

160

let's be - gin with the bas - il-isk's blood and the vi - per's skin, now our or - gies

164

let's be - gin, with the bas - il-isk's blood and the vi - per's skin. Now our or -

168

or - gies, now our or -

172

- gies, now our or -

177

- gies, now our or - gies, now our or -

183

let's be - gin, let's be-gin, now our or - gies be-gin, now our or - gies let's be - V.S.

## BASS 1

4

187



gin now our or - gies let's be - gin, now our or - gies let's be - gin, now,

192



now our or - gies let's be - gin, now, be - gin.

200



Now our or gies let's be - gin, with the bas - il - isk's blood and the vi - per's skin, Now our or - gies

205



let's be - gin, with the bas - il - isk's blood and the vi - per's skin. Now \_\_\_\_\_ our -

209



or - gies, now - our - or - - -

213



gies, now our or -

218



- gies\_ now, now, now our or - gies,\_\_\_\_ now, now our\_ or-gies

224



let's be - gin, let's be-gin, now our or - gies be- gin, now, our or - gies let's be -

228



gin, now our or - gies let's be - gin, now our or - gies let's be - gin, now,

233



now our or - gies let's be - gin, now, be - gin.

## BASS 2

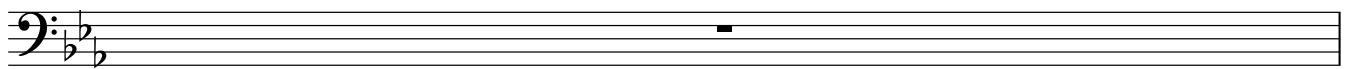
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# RICHARD JOHN SAMUEL STEVENS (1757-1837)



144



145

**6**

*f*

We have brought, to aid our vows, horn-ed pop py, cy - press boughs,

155

*p*

*f*

horn-ed pop-py— cy-press boughs, horn-ed pop-py, cy-press boughs; Now our or - gies—

160

*p*

let's be - gin with the bas - il-isk's blood and the vi - per's skin, now our or - gies

164

*f*

let's be - gin, with the bas - il-isk's blood and the vi - per's skin. Now \_\_\_\_\_ our\_

168

or - gies, now\_\_\_\_\_ our\_ or - gies, our or - -

173

- - - gies, now our or - - - gies, now our

179

or - gies, now\_\_\_\_\_ our\_ or - gies, now our or-gies let's be -

184

gin, let's be- gin, now our or-gies be- gin, now, now be - gin, now our or - gies let's be-

189

gin, now our or - gies let's be - gin, now our or - gies let's be - V.S.

## BASS 2

4

196

gin, now, be - gin. Now our or - gies\_ let's be - gin, with the

202

bas - il-isk's blood and the vi - per's skin, Now our or - gies let's be - gin, with the

206

bas-il-isk's blood and the vi-per's skin. Now\_\_\_\_\_ our\_ or - gies,

210

now\_\_\_\_\_ our\_ or - gies, our or - - - -

215

- gies, now our or - - - - gies, now our or - gies,

221

now\_\_\_\_\_ our\_ or - - - - gies, now our or - gies let's be -

225

gin, let's be- gin, now our or-gies be- gin, now, now be - gin, now our or - - gielet's be -

230

gin, now our or - - gies let's be - gin, now our or - - gies -

235

let's be - - gin.

[BASSO CONTINUO]\*

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RICHARD JOHN SAMUEL STEVENS (1757-1837)

The musical score consists of two staves: a treble staff and a bass staff. The key signature is one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is common time (indicated by '4'). The music is divided into measures by vertical bar lines. Measure numbers are placed above the staves at the beginning of each measure. The first measure starts with a forte dynamic (f). The bass staff contains rhythmic patterns with note values such as 6, 7, 5, 4, 6, 7, and 6. The second measure begins with a dynamic 'f'. The bass staff contains rhythmic patterns with note values such as 7, 6, 7, 6, 7, 6, and 6. The third measure begins with a dynamic 'p'. The bass staff contains rhythmic patterns with note values such as 6, 4, 6, 6, 5, 6, 7, 8, 7, 4, 3, and 6. The fourth measure begins with a dynamic 'f'. The bass staff contains rhythmic patterns with note values such as 7, 6, 7, 6, 7, 6, and 6. The fifth measure begins with a dynamic 'p'. The bass staff contains rhythmic patterns with note values such as 6, 4, 6, 6, 5, 6, 7, 8, 7, 4, 3, and 6. The sixth measure begins with a dynamic 'f'. The bass staff contains rhythmic patterns with note values such as 7, 6, 7, 6, 7, 6, and 6. The seventh measure begins with a dynamic 'p'. The bass staff contains rhythmic patterns with note values such as 6, 4, 6, 6, 5, 6, 7, 8, 7, 4, 3, and 6. The eighth measure begins with a dynamic 'f'. The bass staff contains rhythmic patterns with note values such as 7, 6, 7, 6, 7, 6, and 6. The ninth measure begins with a dynamic 'p'. The bass staff contains rhythmic patterns with note values such as 6, 4, 6, 6, 5, 6, 7, 8, 7, 4, 3, and 6. The tenth measure begins with a dynamic 'f'. The bass staff contains rhythmic patterns with note values such as 7, 6, 7, 6, 7, 6, and 6. The eleventh measure begins with a dynamic 'p'. The bass staff contains rhythmic patterns with note values such as 6, 4, 6, 6, 5, 6, 7, 8, 7, 4, 3, and 6. The twelfth measure begins with a dynamic 'f'. The bass staff contains rhythmic patterns with note values such as 7, 6, 7, 6, 7, 6, and 6. The thirteenth measure begins with a dynamic 'p'. The bass staff contains rhythmic patterns with note values such as 6, 4, 6, 6, 5, 6, 7, 8, 7, 4, 3, and 6. The fourteenth measure begins with a dynamic 'f'. The bass staff contains rhythmic patterns with note values such as 7, 6, 7, 6, 7, 6, and 6. The fifteenth measure begins with a dynamic 'p'. The bass staff contains rhythmic patterns with note values such as 6, 4, 6, 6, 5, 6, 7, 8, 7, 4, 3, and 6. The sixteenth measure begins with a dynamic 'f'. The bass staff contains rhythmic patterns with note values such as 7, 6, 7, 6, 7, 6, and 6. The十七th measure begins with a dynamic 'p'. The bass staff contains rhythmic patterns with note values such as 6, 4, 6, 6, 5, 6, 7, 8, 7, 4, 3, and 6.

\*The instrumental accompaniment is given in short score; depending on the instrument, it may be suitable for a single melody instrument (violin/flute, keyboard), arranged for a small orchestra, or for a large ensemble.

In performance, quavers should be shortened throughout, where appropriate.

Tasto Solo

## [BASSO CONTINUO]\*

2

21

25

29

34

38

43

48

52

*p*

**Tasto Solo**

*f*

*p*

**Tasto Solo**

*f*

## [BASSO CONTINUO]\*

3

55

6 5      6 6      6 7      6 6      7 6      7 6      7 6      6 5

59

6 4      p      6      6      6 4      3      6 6

64

6 6 6      6      7 6      6 6      6 4

69

7 4 6      7 3 6      7 3      7 6      7      6 4 3 f

75

5 6 7 6      7 6 7 6      7 6 7 6      6 5 6 4 3

79

6 4 3      6 6      6 4 3      Tasto Solo

83

6 6 6 7

88

7 7 6 6 5 4 5 4 5 [f] 7 6 7 6 7 6 6 5 V.S.

## [BASSO CONTINUO]\*

93

97

103 Tasto Solo

109

115

121 3

127

131 pp

135

## [BASSO CONTINUO]\*

5

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144 **Tempo Ordinario**

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153

158

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V.S.

## [BASSO CONTINUO]\*

6

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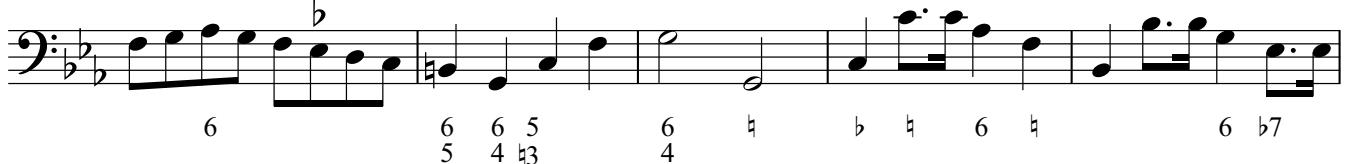
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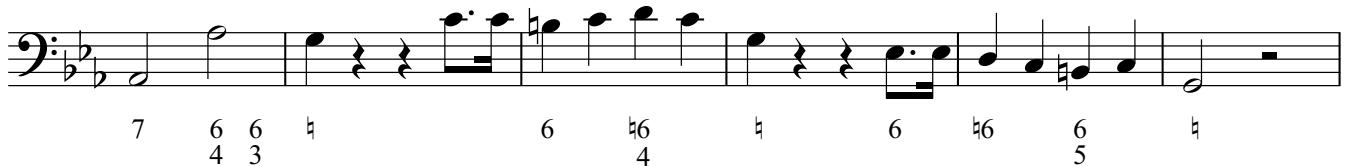
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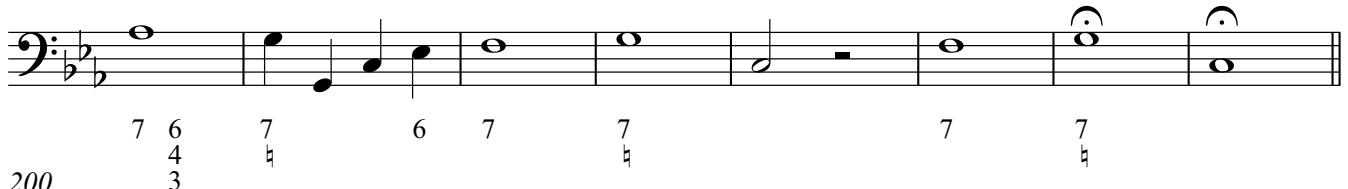
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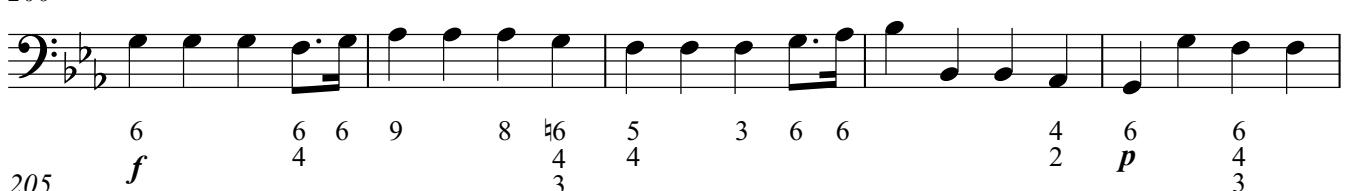
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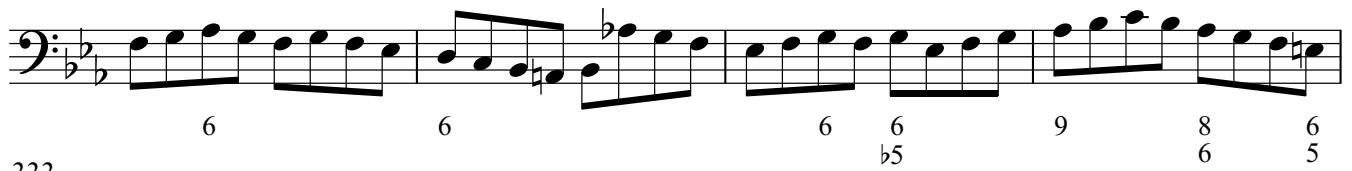
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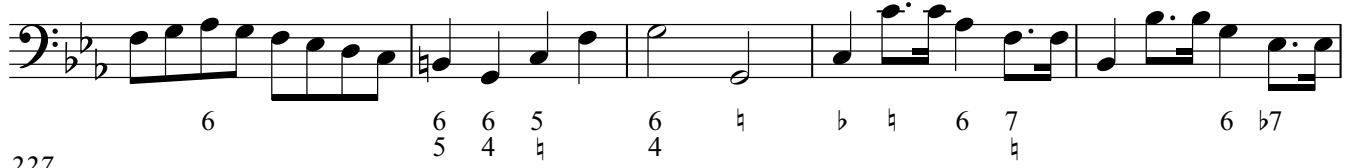
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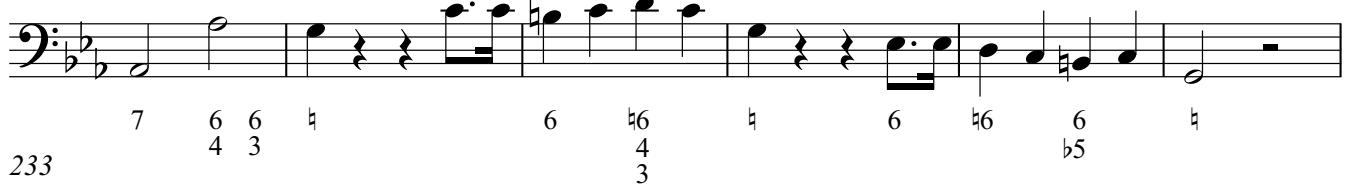
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