

The Courier Dove

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Andante

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It begins with a piano introduction in B-flat major, 4/4 time, marked 'Andante'. The piano part features a steady eighth-note accompaniment in the left hand and a more melodic line in the right hand. The voice part enters at measure 4 with the lyrics 'Out - strip the winds, my — cour - ier dove, On pin - ions fleet — and'. The piano accompaniment continues with the same eighth-note pattern. The voice part continues with 'free, And bear this let - ter — to my love, Who's'. The piano accompaniment concludes with a final chord in the right hand and a sustained bass note in the left hand.

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11 [mark _____ thy _____

far a - way _____ from me. It bids him mark thy plume where-

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14 plume where-on] on _____ The chang - ing col - ors _____ range But _____

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17 warns him that _____ my _____ peace is gone, If he should al - so change.

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II.

It tells him thou return'st again
 To her who sets thee free;
 And oh! it asks the truant, when
 He'll thus resemble thee?
 Then speed thy flight, my courier dove,
 On pinions fleet and free,
 And bear this letter to my love,
 Who's far away from me.