

The Dying Christian to his Soul

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WILLIAM BILLINGS (1746-1800)
The Psalm-Singer's Amusement (1781)

Musical score for the first system, featuring four vocal parts: Treble, Counter, Tenor, and Bass. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 2/4. The lyrics are: Vi - tal spark of Heav'n-ly flame, —

Musical score for the second system, featuring four vocal parts. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 2/4. The lyrics are: Tremb-ling, ho-ping, ling'-ring, fly-ing, Oh the Pain, the Bliss of

Musical score for the third system, featuring four vocal parts. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 2/4. The lyrics are: dy-ing, Cease, fond Na-ture, cease the strife, Let me lan - guish in - to Life. Hark! they

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whis-per, An-gels say: Sis-ter Spi-rit, come a-way.

whis-per, An-gels say: Sis-ter Spi-rit, come a-way.

whis-per, An-gels say: Sis-ter Spi-rit, come a-way.

whis-per, An-gels say: Sis-ter Spi-rit, come a-way. What is this ab-sorbs me—

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Shuts my— sight, Tell me, my

Steals my— Sen-ses, Tell me, my

Drowns my Spi-rits Tell me, my

quite, Draws my Breath? Tell me, my

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Soul, can this be Death? The World re-cedes it dis-ap-pears; Heav'n

Soul, can this be Death?

Soul, can this be Death?

Soul, can this be Death? The World re-cedes it

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o-pens on my Eyes; my Ears With sounds se-ra-philic, With sounds se-ra-philic ring: Lend, lend your
 Heav'n o - pens on my Eyes; my Ears With sounds se-ra-philic ring: Lend, lend your
 With sounds se-ra-philic ring: Lend, lend your
 dis-ap-pears; Heav'n o - pens on my Eyes; my Ears With sounds se-ra-philic ring: Lend, lend your

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Forte

Wings! I mount! I fly! O Grave, where is thy Vic-to - ry? O Death, where is thy Sting?
 Wings! I mount! I fly! O Grave, where is thy Vic - to-ry? O Death, where is thy Sting?
 Wings! I mount! I fly! O Grave, where is thy Vic-to - ry? O Death, where is thy Sting?
 Wings! I mount! I fly! O Grave, where is thy Vic - to-ry? O Death, where is thy Sting?