

Love's Question and reply

John 33. Grant (1850-1912) **John Beveridge Grant** (1850-1912) was born in Newburgh, Orange County, New York. He worked for the firm of Stewart Good and Co., manufacturers of dresses, NYC, and the Central National Bank of NYC. He was a naturalist and wrote *Our common birds and how to know them* (1891). He was an active amateur musician. He was organist and choir director at New Jerusalem Church, NYC, and at First Presbyterian Church, New Rochelle, NY. His compositions include a comic opera, several cantatas, anthems, part-songs, and many children's songs including a collection in collaboration with music educator Peter W. Dykema titled *Pussy willow: and other nature songs for little folk.*

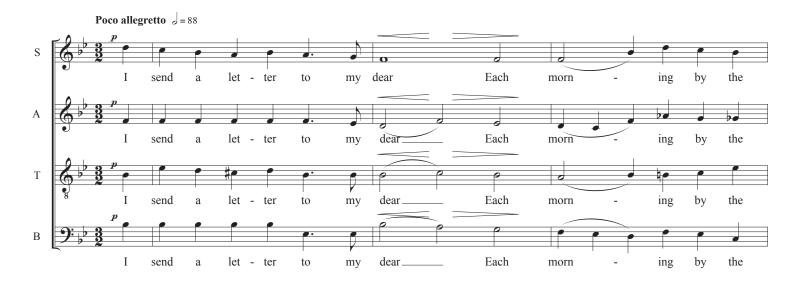
I send a letter to my dear Each morning by the lark, And every night the nightingale Brings answer ere the dark. The question needs no other words, And this, and this is the reply: "I'll love thee, dearest, while I live, And bless thee if I die."

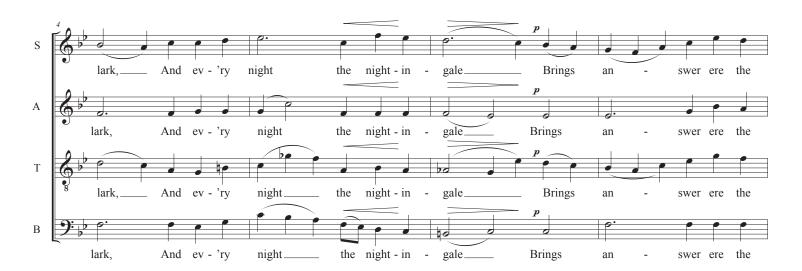
I send a message by the rose, It says, "Thou breathing grace, Thy modest virtue, like this flower, Spreads fragrance round thy place." The lily brings the answer meet, "O thou, O thou whom I adore, My heart is spotless as these leaves, And loves thee evermore."

Charles Mackay (1812-1889)

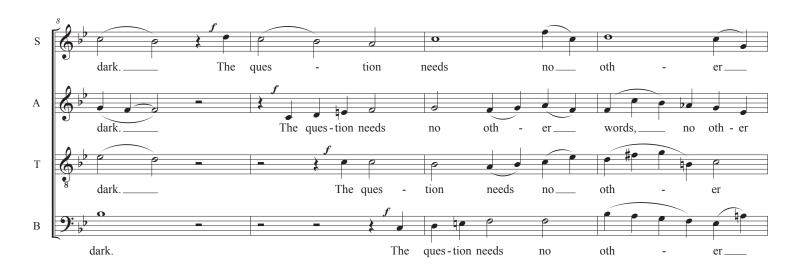
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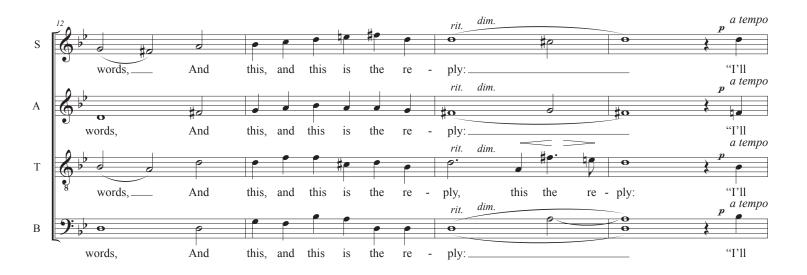
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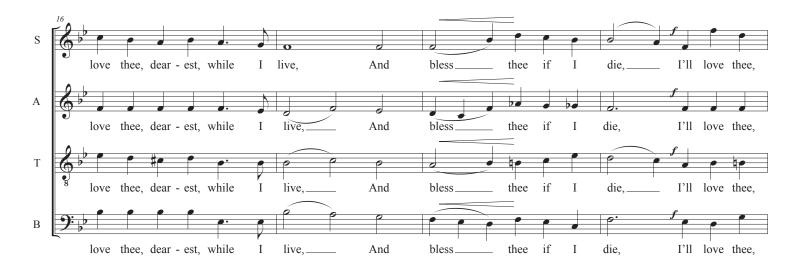


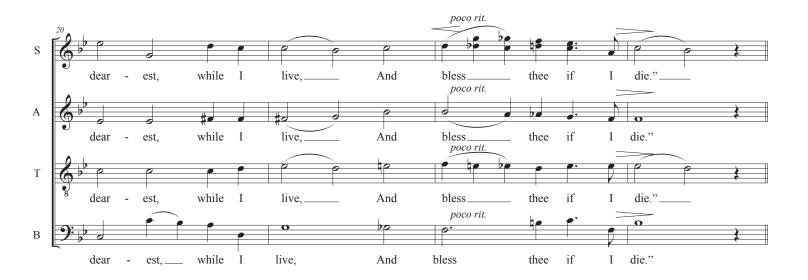


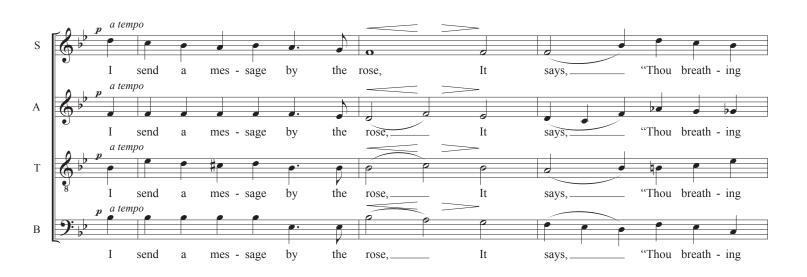


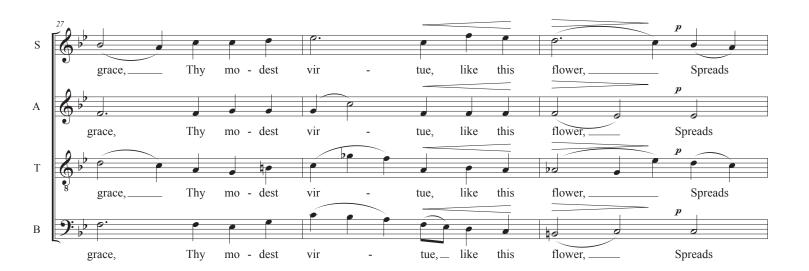




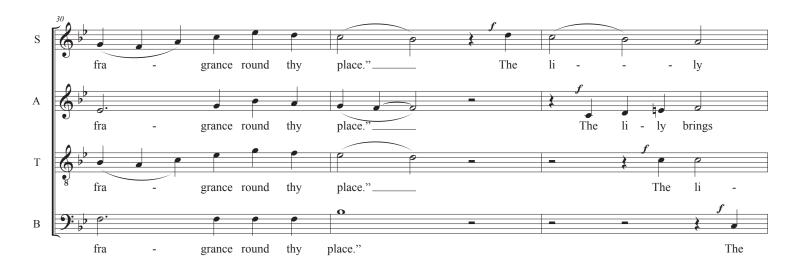


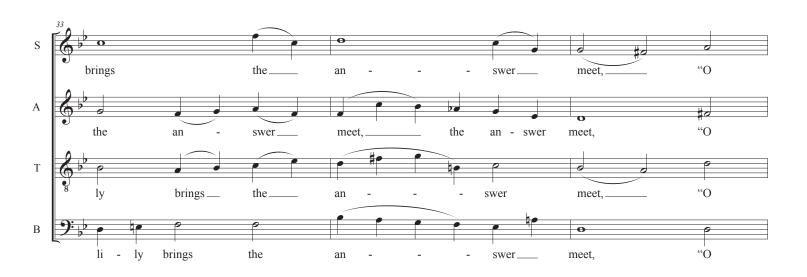


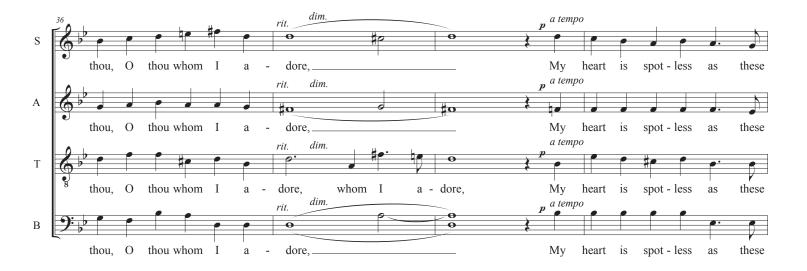


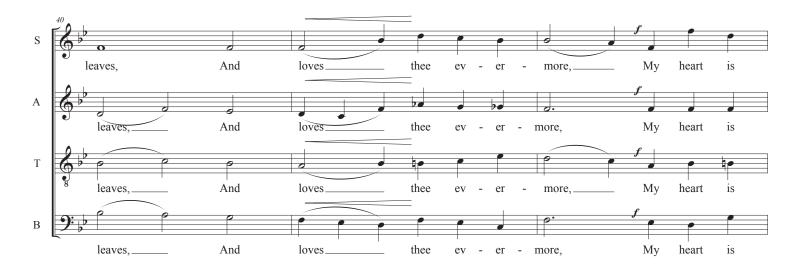


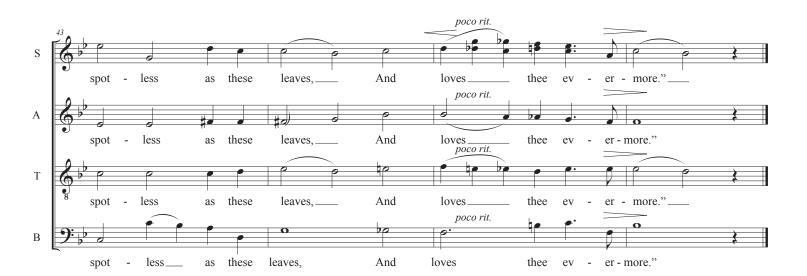
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