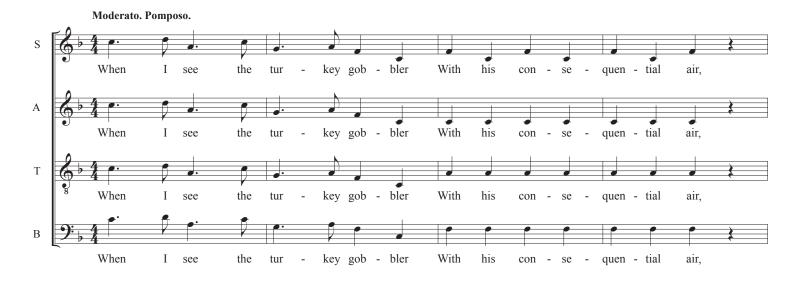
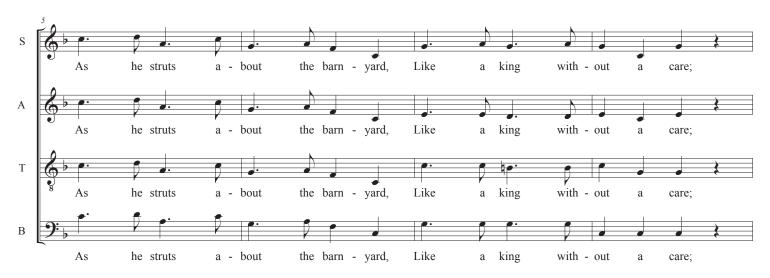


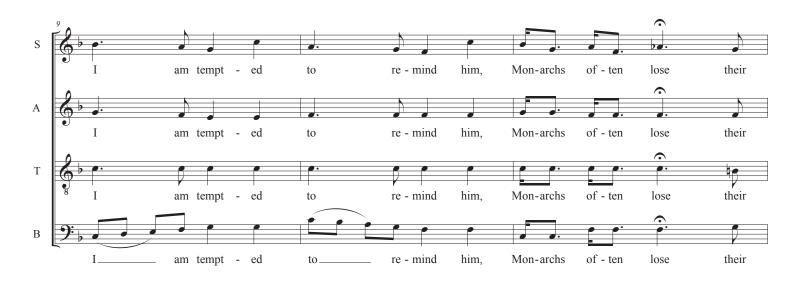
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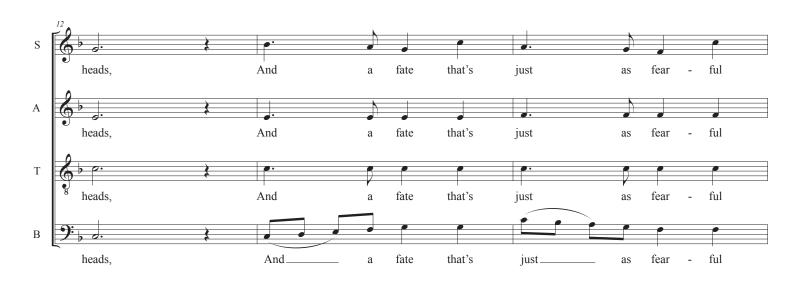


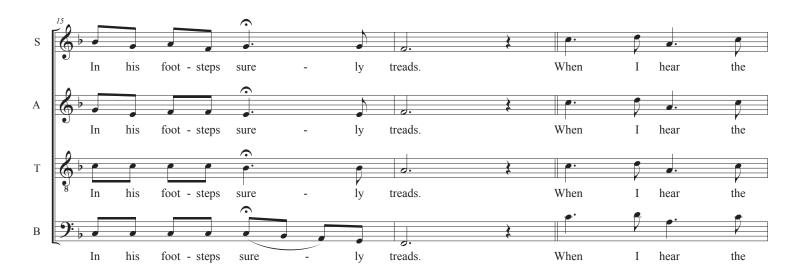




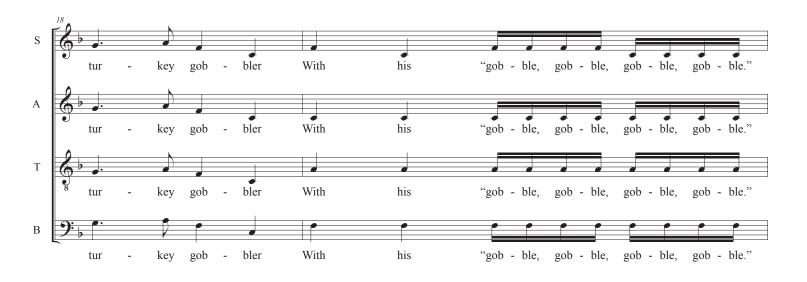
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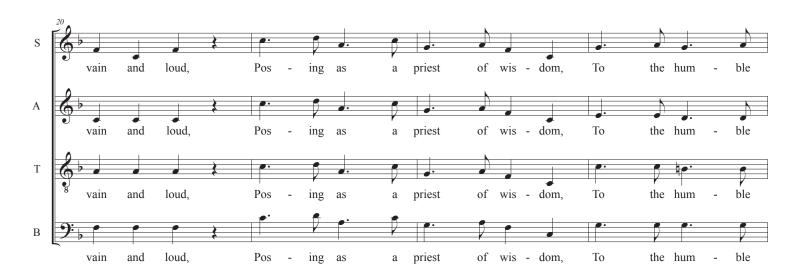


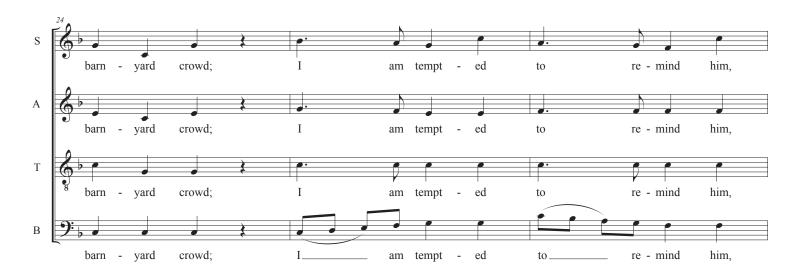




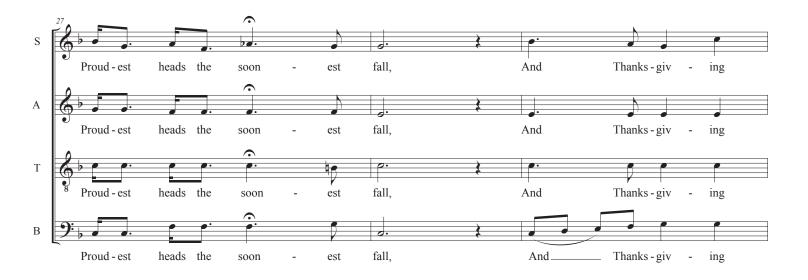
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Flora Ellis Wells (1845-1929) was born in Lima, New York. She was a graduate of Genesee College (now Syracuse University) in Lima and studied organ with Félix-Alexandre Guilmant at the French Conservatory in Paris. She became a well known organist, recitalist, and composer. She held several teacher, music director, and organist positions in Syracuse and Penn Yan, New York; Champaign, Illinois; and Chicago, Illinois. She was also active in The American Association of University Women. She died in East Orange, New Jersey. Most of her compositions were for organ but also included a few songs for voices.

When I see the turkey gobbler With his consequential air, As he struts about the barnyard, Like a king without a care; I am tempted to remind him, Monarchs often lose their heads, And a fate that's just as fearful In his footsteps surely treads.

When I hear the turkey gobbler
With his "gobble" vain and loud,
Posing as a priest of wisdom,
To the humble barnyard crowd;
I am tempted to remind him,
Proudest heads the soonest fall,
And Thanksgiving day, most likely,
He will have no head at all.
Susie M. Best

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