

The Shepherd's Purse: *Shepherd's Purse*

movement VI: for soprano, oboe and harp

based on a poem by John Haines

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♩. = 116 (constant throughout)

A

soprano

mf (m...)

ff Po-ver-ty Weed or Beg-gar Tick,

oboe

p

ff

ff

harp

p

(gliss)

ff

ff p

ff

D C B | E F G A-flat mp

E-flat G#

A D C B | E-flat F G# A

B

s

mp some days in the field are lean - er than o - thers.

ff Let the stalk be strong,

ob

mp

ff

hp

mp

(dampen)

ff

ff

C# F# D C# B | E-flat F# G A#

A#

C A

G#

9 C

s *mp* the flow-er head high and the seed box full— *mf* No - vem - - - ber like *f*

ob *mp* *mf* *f*

hp *mp* *f* *ff* *f* *f*

(D C B | E-flat F G# A) F# G A-flat D C B | E-flat F# G A-flat A

13

s *f* a tax col-lec - - - tor *mf* will come to the poor, the cut

ob *mf* *f* *mf* *mp*

hp *f* *mp* *f*

E# E G# G B-flat

17

s *mf* and the shak - - en, *f* with

ob *mp* 3 3 3 etc. *mf* *f*

hp *mf* (*ma non troppo*) *ff* *f*

(D C# B-flat | E F# G A) F A-flat B# A D C# B# | E F G A-flat

21 **D**

s *f* no-thing to save (*simile*) (with no-thing, no-thing to save) *mf* (with no-thing to save) but their pa - per mit - tens and

ob *f* *mp*

hp *f* *mf*

D-flat C B D E# F# G# D C B | E# F# G# A E-flat

25 **E**

s a straw whis - tle.

ob

hp

E# E-flat G

E F D C B | E F G A

A-flat

f *f* *ff* *p*

29 **F**

s

ob

hp

f (In...)

ff *mp* (poss)

p *ff*

mp

(open up spectrum)

34 **G**

s *f* (In a time) *f* (poss) *ff* In a time of hard mon - ey *p* (In a time of..)

ob *ff* *ff* (sonoro) *ff* (simile)

hp *ff* *ff* (simile) *p* (subito; echo)

(D C B | E F G A-flat) F# G# D C B | E F# G# A

39

s *ff* In a time of hard mon - ey, mon - ey; In a time of hard mon - ey; *p* *ff* in a time of..)

ob *ff* *mp*

hp *ff* *p* *ff*

44 **H** (*espressivo*)

s *mf* keep a small purse, spend lit - tle. *mf* Be sure to have

ob *mf* *p* *mf*

hp *mp* (*l.v.*) (*sonoro; with a darker sound*) *mp* (*echo; brighter*) (*darker; simile*) *mp*

G D C B | E F# G A *mf* (*dampen*) *mf* (*dampen*)

48

s more than one heart, *mf* and you may sur - - - vive.

ob *mp* *mf* *+ f*

hp *mp* *f p* *mf*

52 **I**

s *ff* (In a time of, *ff* time of, *ff* In a time of hard mon - ey, mon - ey;

ob *ff* *ff* *ff*

hp *ff* *ff* *fp* *ff*

F# G# D C B | E F# G# A

56

s *p* In a time, time.)

ob

hp *p*

duration: c. 2' 10"

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