

2. I praise the tender flower

3 Songs of Robert Bridges, Op.43

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Larghetto *mp*

Voice

Piano

p

4

7

10

I praise the ten - der
flower, That on a mourn - ful day Bloomed in my gar - den bower, And
made the win - ter gay. Its
love - li-ness con - tent - ed my heart tor - ment - ed.

14

I praise the gen - tle maid, whose hap - py voice and

17

smile To con - fi-dence be - trayed My dole - ful heart a -

20

-while: And gave my spi - rit de -

23

-plor - ing Fresh wings for soar - ing - ing.

26

p

The maid for ve - ry fear of love I

28

rall.

durst not tell:

rall.

29

pp

a tempo

The rose could ne - ver hear, though I be - spake her well:

a tempo

32

f
So in my song I

bind them *poco rall.* For all to

colla parte

a tempo
find them.

dim. *p*