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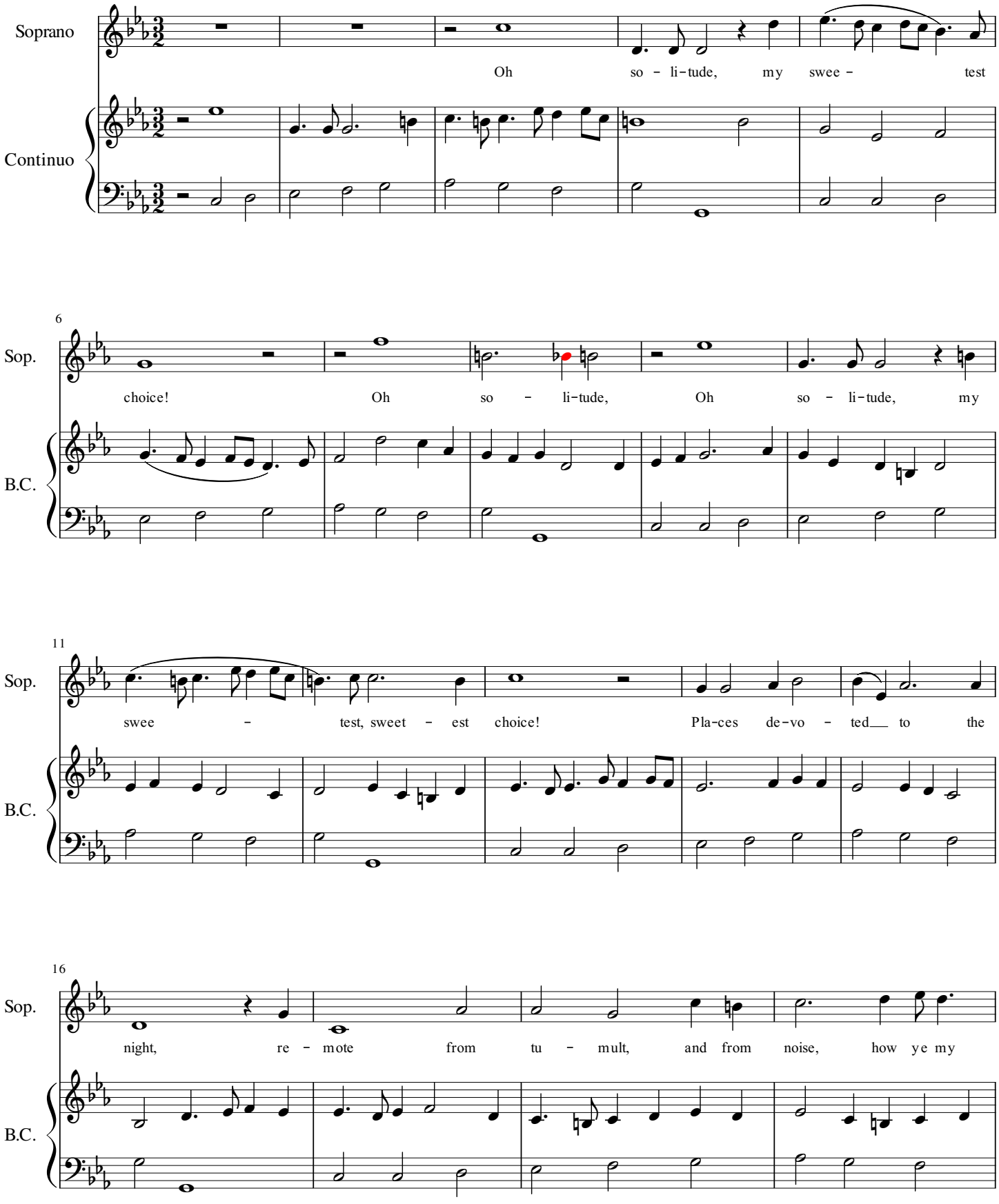

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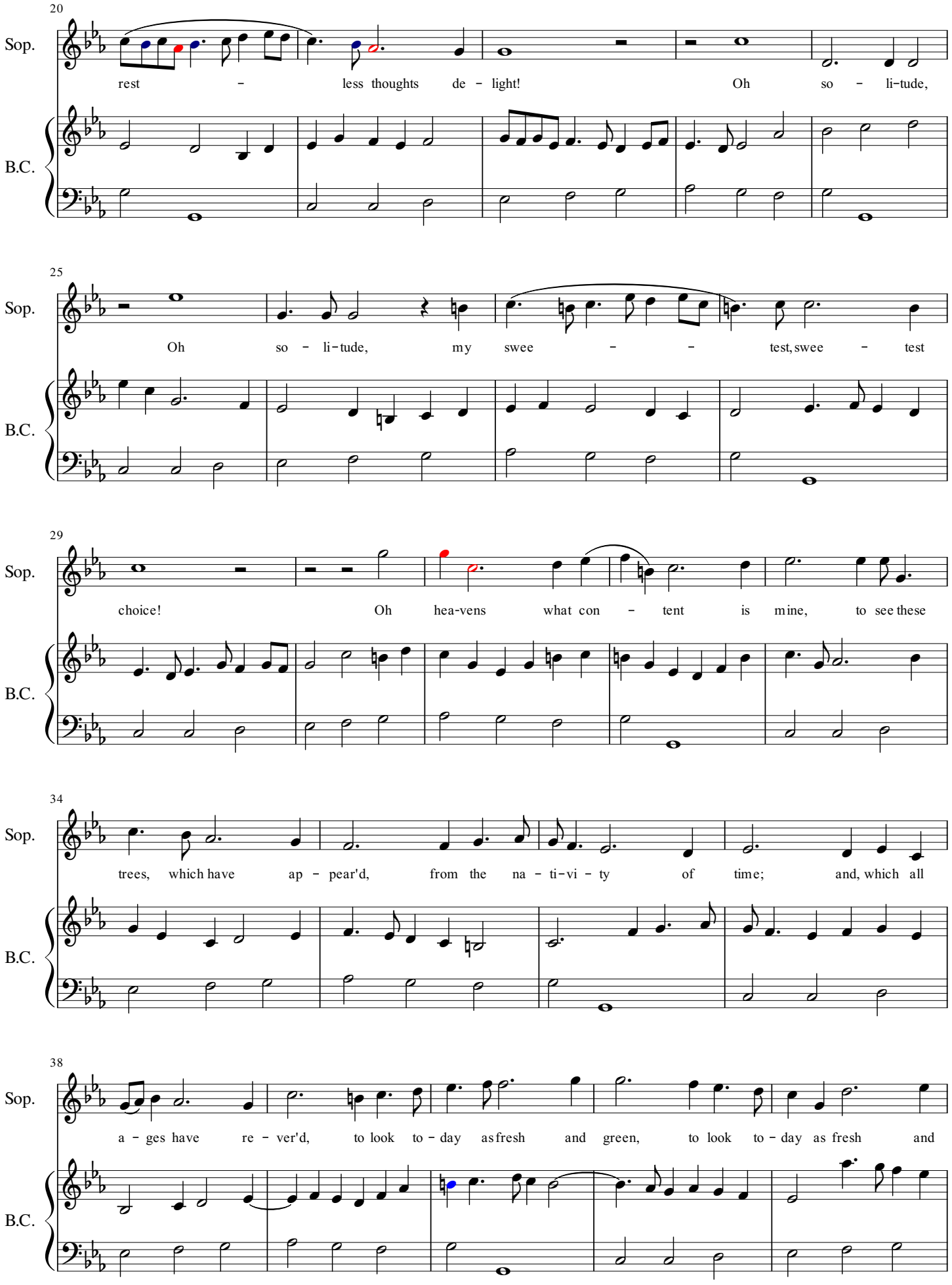
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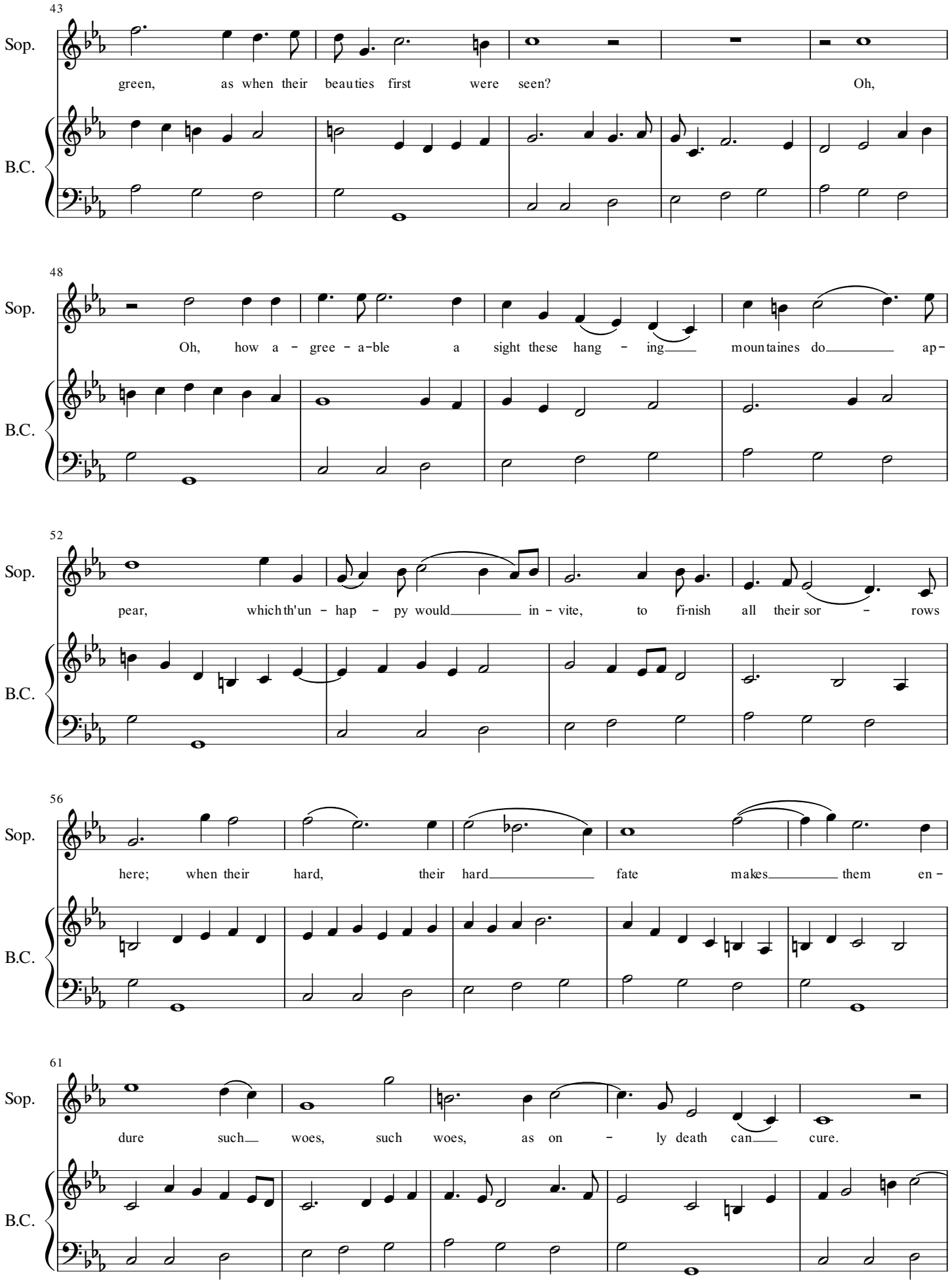
Sop.
rest - less thoughts de - light! Oh so - li-tude,
B.C.
25
Sop.
Oh so - li-tude, my swee - - test, swee - test
B.C.
29
Sop.
choice! Oh hea-vens what con - tent is mine, to see these
B.C.
34
Sop.
trees, which have ap - pear'd, from the na - ti-vi - ty of time; and, which all
B.C.
38
Sop.
a - ges have re - ver'd, to look to - day as fresh and green, to look to - day as fresh and
B.C.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Sop.
green, as when their beauties first were seen? Oh,
B.C.
48
Sop.
Oh, how a - gree - a-ble a sight these hang - ing mountaines do ap-
B.C.
52
Sop.
pear, which th'un - hap - py would in - vite, to fi-nish all their sor - rows
B.C.
56
Sop.
here; when their hard, their hard fate makes them en -
B.C.
61
Sop.
dure such woes, such woes, as on - ly death can cure.
B.C.

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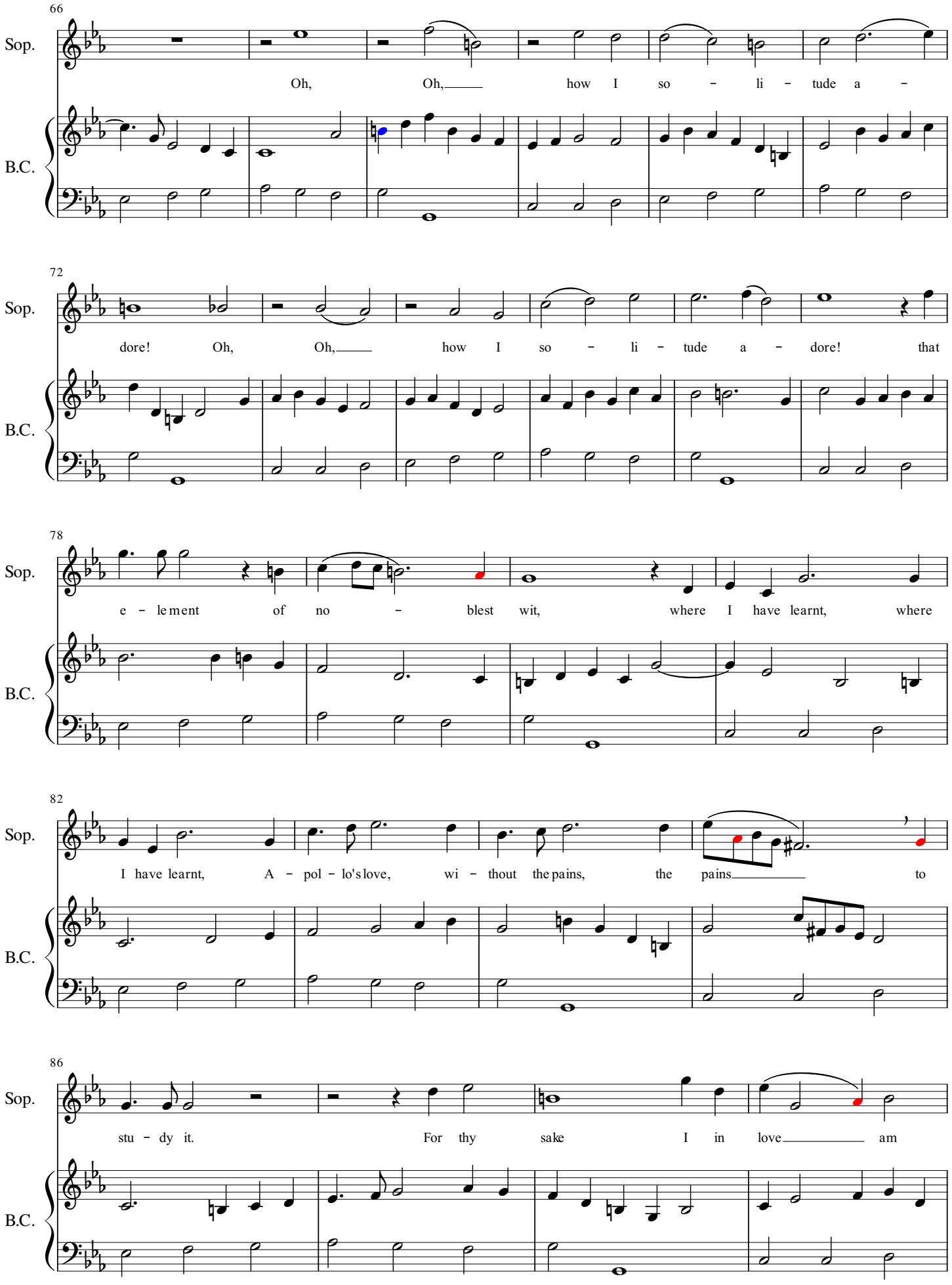
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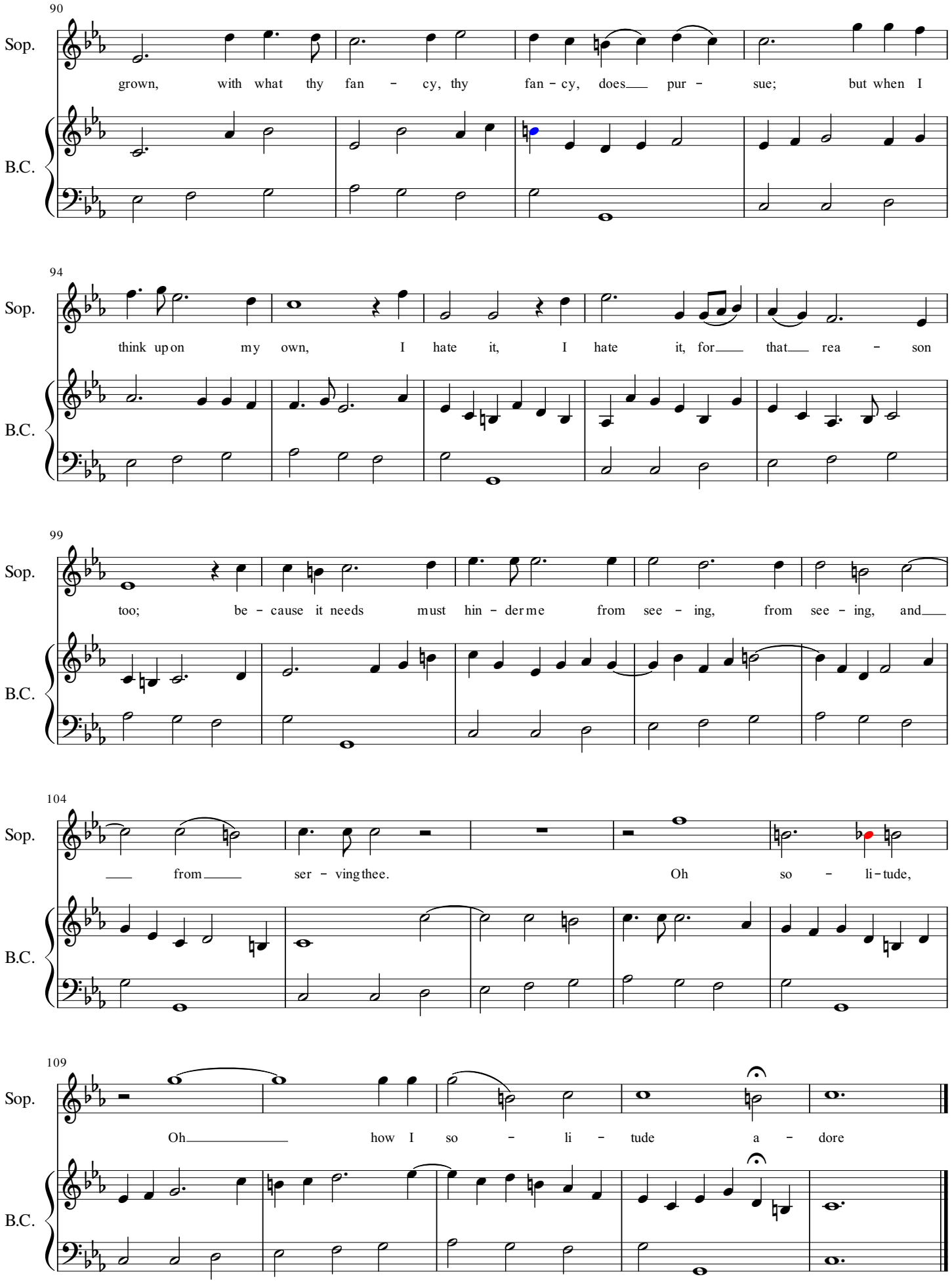
Sop.
Oh, Oh, how I so - li - tude a -
B.C.
72
Sop.
dore! Oh, Oh, how I so - li - tude a - dore! that
B.C.
78
Sop.
e - le ment of no - blest wit, where I have learnt, where
B.C.
82
Sop.
I have learnt, A - pol - lo's love, wi - thout the pains, the pains to
B.C.
86
Sop.
stu - dy it. For thy sake I in love am
B.C.


90
Sop.
grown, with what thy fan - cy, thy fan - cy, does pur - sue; but when I
B.C.
94
Sop.
think upon my own, I hate it, I hate it, for that rea - son
B.C.
99
Sop.
too; be - cause it needs must hin - der me from see - ing, from see - ing, and
B.C.
104
Sop.
from ser - ving thee. Oh so - li - tude,
B.C.
109
Sop.
Oh how I so - li - tude a - dore
B.C.

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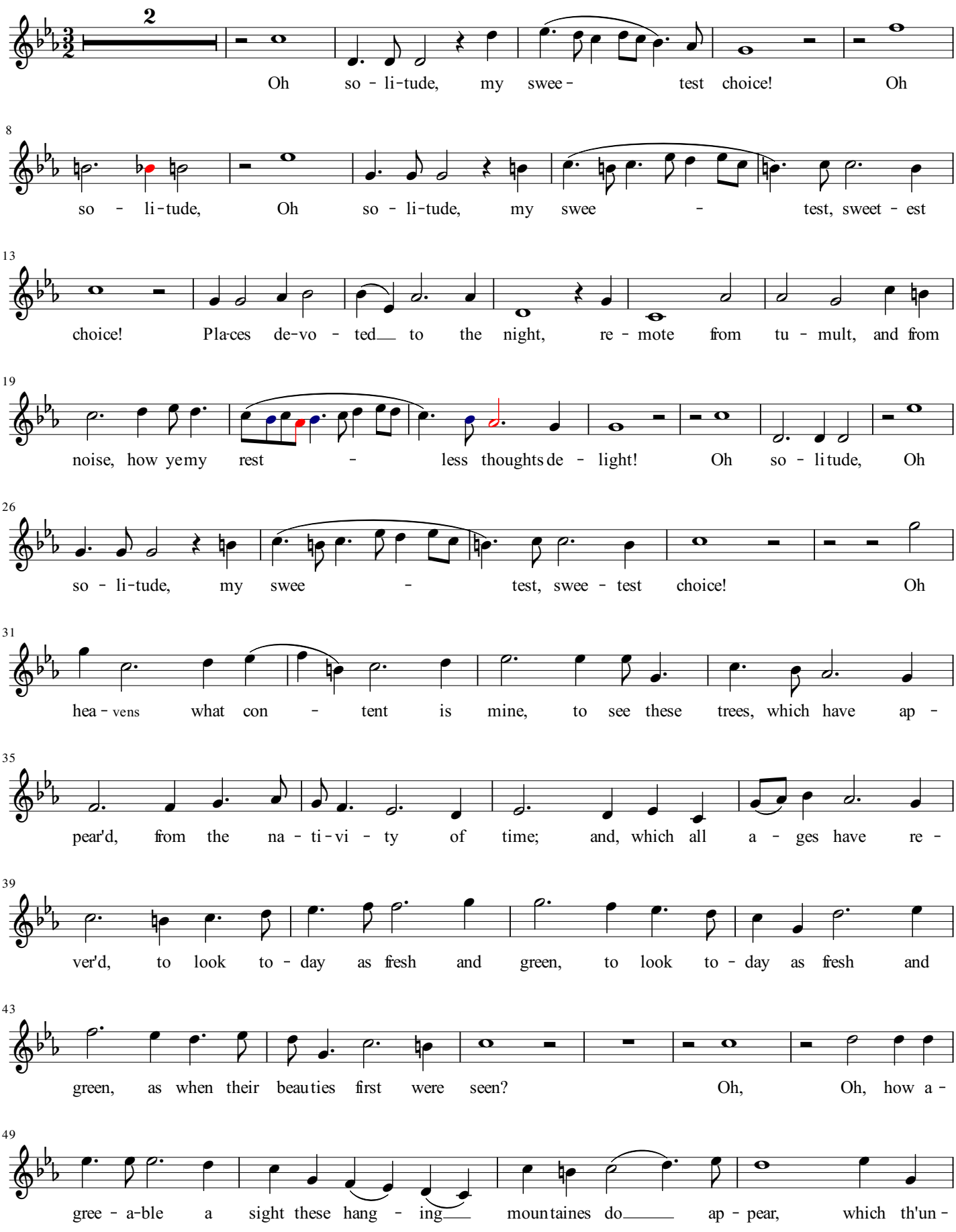

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53

hap - py would in - vite, to fi-nish all their sor - rows here; when their

57

hard, their hard fate makes them en - dure such woes, such

63

woes, as on - ly death can cure. Oh, Oh, how I

70

so - li - tude a - dore! Oh, Oh, how I so - li - tude a - dore! that

78

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92

fan - cy, does pur - sue; but when I think up-on my own, I hate it, I

97

hate it, for that rea - son too; be - cause it needs must hin - der me from

102

see - ing, from see - ing, and from ser - ving thee.

107

Oh so - li-tude, Oh how I so - li - tude a - dore

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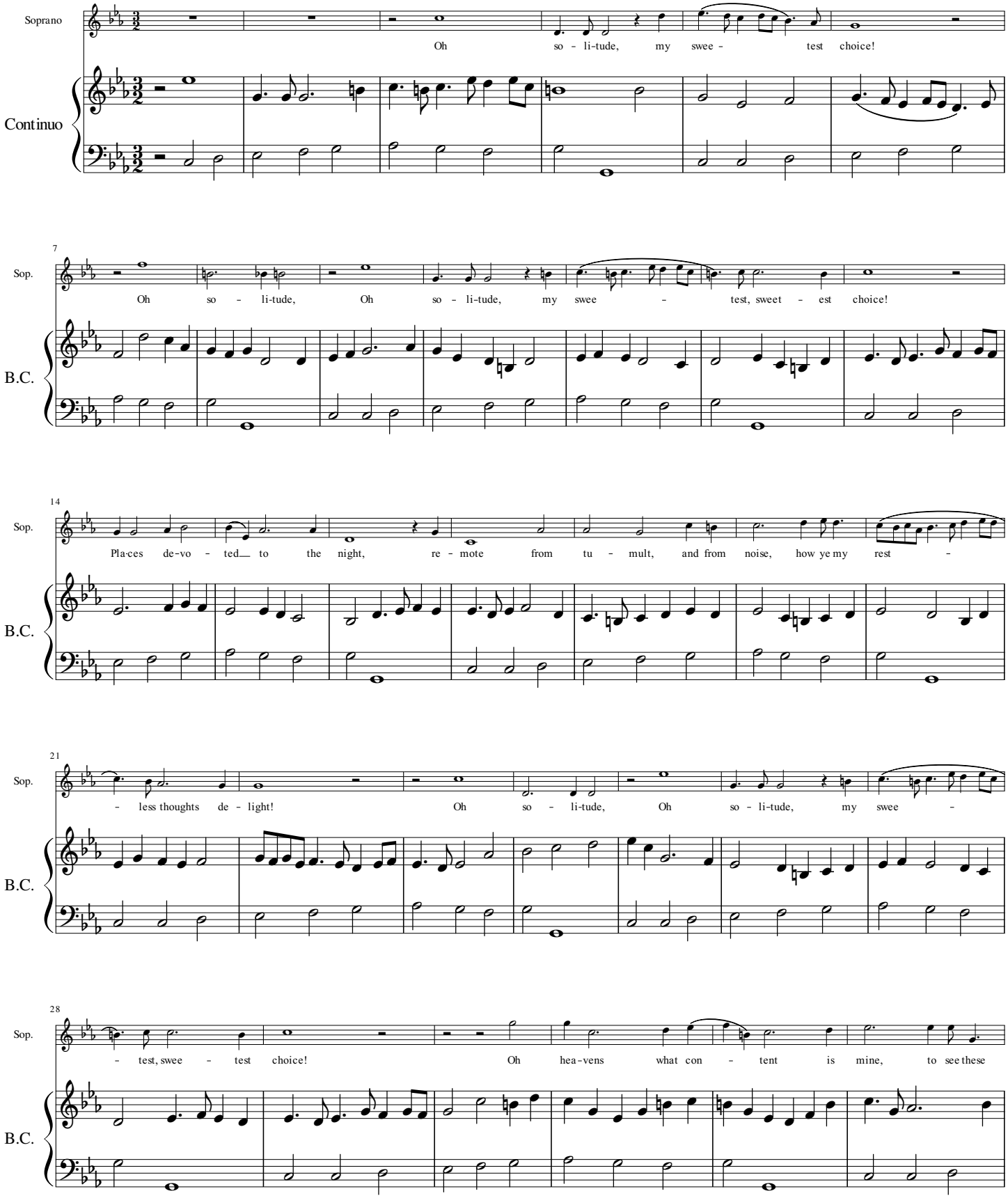

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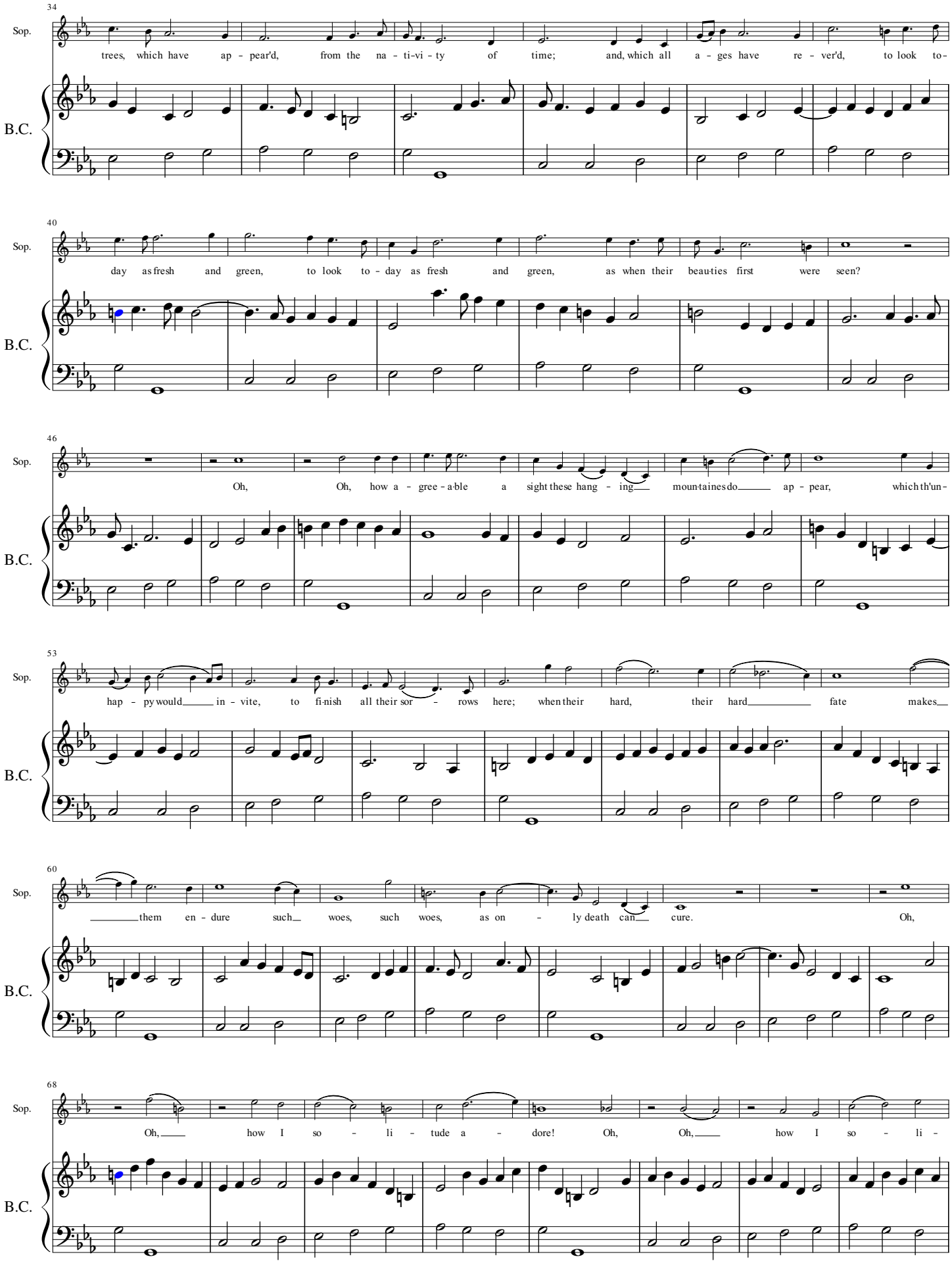
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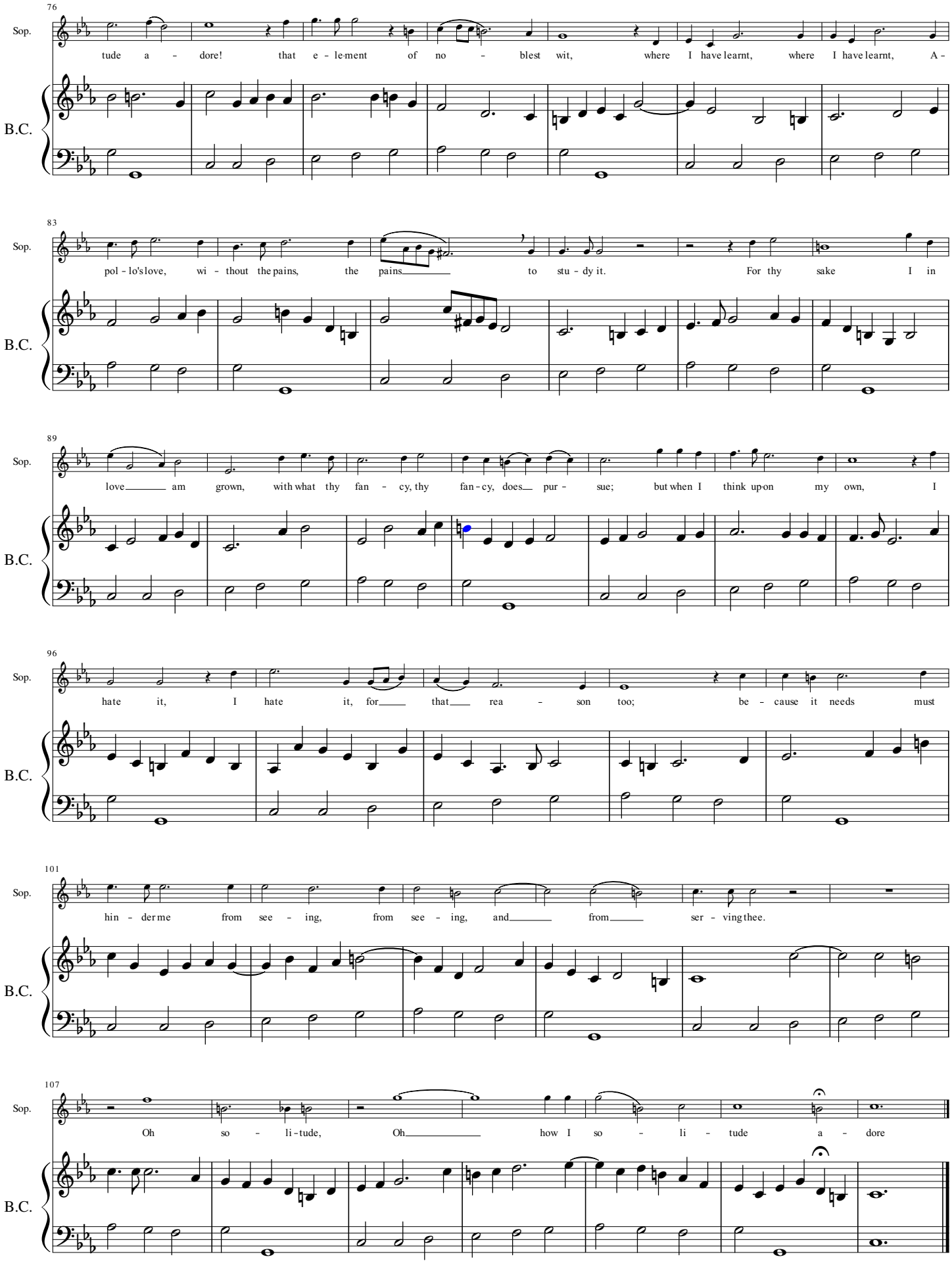
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B.C.
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B.C.