

To Miss Dora J. Cole, Philadelphia, Pa.

# O Perfect Love

WEDDING SONG

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The first system of the musical score consists of three staves. The top staff is a vocal line with a whole rest in the first measure. The middle staff is the right-hand piano part, starting with a mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic and featuring a melodic line with a slur over the first five measures. The bottom staff is the left-hand piano part, providing harmonic support with chords and a steady bass line.

The second system of the musical score includes a vocal line and piano accompaniment. The vocal line begins at measure 6 with the lyrics "O Per-fect Love, all hu-man thought trans-cend-ing, Low-ly we". The piano accompaniment continues with the right-hand part and left-hand part, maintaining the harmonic structure established in the first system.

The third system of the musical score includes a vocal line and piano accompaniment. The vocal line begins at measure 11 with the lyrics "kneel in pray'r be-fore Thy throne, That theirs may be the". The piano accompaniment continues with the right-hand part and left-hand part, concluding the piece.

16

love that knows no end - ing, Whom Thou for - ev - er - more dost join \_\_\_ in

16

21

one, Whom \_\_\_ Thou for - ev - er - more dost join \_\_\_ in

21

25

one.

25

28

28

31

O Per-fect Life, be thou their full as -

36

sur - ance Of ten - der char - i - ty and stead - fast faith,

41

Of pa-tient hope, and qui-et, brave en-dur-ance, With child-like

46

trust that fears nor pain — nor death, With — child-like trust that fears nor

51

pain — nor death.

54

Grant them the joy which

58

*p*

bright-ens earth-ly sor-row; Grant them the peace which

*p*

62

calms all earth-ly strife, And to life's day the glo-rious un-known

*p*

67

mor - row, That dawns up - on e - ter - nal love — and life,

72

That — dawns up - on e - ter - nal love — and life.

*(slower and more fervently)*

76

O per - fect Love! O — per - fect Life! —

80 *rit.*

Grant them Thy joy! Grant them Thy

83 *ppp*

peace! A - men, A - men, A - men.