

## XII. *Rest a while you cruel cares*

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Cantus

Altus

Tenor

Bassus

Rest a while, you cru - el cares, be not more se - vere than love,

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beau-ty kills and beau-ty spares, and sweet smiles sad sighs re - move:

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Lau - ra, fair queen of my de - light, come grant me love in love's de -

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spite, and if I e - ver fail to ho-nour thee: Let this

spite, and if I e - ver fail to \_\_\_\_\_ ho - nour thee: Let this

8 spite, and if I e - ver fail to ho - nour thee: Let this

spite, and if I e - ver fail to ho-nour thee: Let \_\_\_\_\_ this

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hea - ven - ly light I see, be as dark as hell to me.

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8 heav'n - ly light I see, be as dark as \_\_\_\_\_ hell to me.

heav'n - ly light I see, be \_\_\_\_\_ as dark \_\_\_\_\_ as hell to me.

If I speak my words want weight,  
 Am I mute, my heart doth break,  
 If I sigh she fears deceit,  
 Sorrow then for me must speak:  
 Cruel, unkind, with favour view,  
 The wound that first was made by you:  
 And if my torments ever feigned be,  
     Let this heavenly light I see,  
     Be as dark as hell to me.

Never hour of pleasing rest,  
 Shall revive my dying ghost,  
 Till my soul hath reposses'd,  
 The sweet hope which love hath lost:  
 Laura, redeem the soul that dies,  
 By fury of thy murdering eyes,  
 And if it (ever) proves unkind to thee,  
     Let this heavenly light I see,  
     Be as dark as hell to me.