

The Thing I Had To Say

Poem by
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Music by
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Expressive ♩ = c. 86

rit. mp

I

5 *a tempo*

thought I had some-thing to say to him when our eyes met in the

8

road. But he walked a - way, it rocks night and day like an

11

rit. a tempo

i - dle boat on ev - 'ry wave; the thing I had to say.

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mf

It seems to sail in the au-tumn clouds in an

17

end - less quest and to bloom in - to eve - ning

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flow'rs seek - ing words lost in the sun - set.

23

rit. *mp* *a tempo*

It twin-kles like fire - flies in my heart to

26

find its own true mean - ing in the dusk of des-pair

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the thing I had to say to him, the thing I had to

32

a tempo

rit.

say.