

Voices 1 2

16. The Owl

No. 1 of *Four Bird Songs*

Alfred, Lord Tennyson
(1809–92)

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Allegretto ♩ = c.100
mp leggiero

VOICE 1
And light is come, And dew is cold___ up-on the ground,

mp leggiero
VOICE 2
When cats run home,___ And dew is cold___ up-on the ground,

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And the far-off stream___ is dumb, And the whir-ring sail goes round, And the
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f *p smoothly* *mf* *f*
whir-ring sail_ goes round; A-lone and warm-ing his five wits, The
SOLO (opt.) TUTTI
f *p* *p smoothly* *mf* *f*
whir-ring sail_ goes round; A-lone, a-lone and warm-ing his five wits, The

19
mf *p*
white_ owl, the white_ owl, the white owl in the bel-fry sits.____
mf *p*
white_ owl, the white_ owl, the white owl in the bel-fry sits.____

These four short songs can be sung separately, or together to make a set. The following scoring options apply to each song:
S and/or T sing Voice 1; A and/or B sing Voice 2.