

"I will live next door to my sorrow.  
And we'll see what each day brings."\*

# The Bed of Damp Dirt

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**Mournfully, with rubato throughout**

The musical score is written for piano in 4/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of four systems of music. The first system (measures 1-3) is marked *p* and *legato, with pedal*. The second system (measures 4-7) is marked *hold back*. The third system (measures 8-12) is marked *mp* and includes the lyrics: "When small child - ren die So do their bright,". The fourth system (measures 13-16) includes the lyrics: "cheer - ful eyes Quick - ly cov - ered". The score ends with two *Ped.* markings under the piano accompaniment.

\*from the play "Deceived by  
Silence" by Ivan Fuller

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17 *f*

by a soft blan - ket. Four days they bat - tled

*Ped.* *Ped.* *Ped.*

*8va*

21

For the girl suf - fo - cat - ing

*8va*

25 *mf*

And burn ing\_ with fe - ver... I

*pp delicate*

*Ped.* *Ped.* *Ped.*