

SIXTY CUBIC FEET

For Baritone and Piano

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Molto moderato

He was the fourth his mo ther_ bore, The room was ten_ by_

p

This system contains the first two staves of music. The vocal line is in a treble clef with a key signature of three flats and a 4/4 time signature. The piano accompaniment is in a grand staff (treble and bass clefs). The piano part begins with a piano (*p*) dynamic and features a series of chords and moving lines in both hands.

6
twelve, His share was six-ty cu- bic_ feet In which to build him-self. He

This system contains the next two staves of music, starting at measure 6. The vocal line continues with the lyrics. The piano accompaniment includes a triplet of eighth notes in the right hand and continues with its melodic and harmonic development.

11
sat and learned his let - ters With for - ty in a room, And six - ty cu-bic feet of draught

mf

This system contains the final two staves of music, starting at measure 11. The vocal line concludes the phrase. The piano accompaniment features a crescendo leading to a mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic.

14

The Coun - cil lent to him. At four - teen he must earn a -

18

wage, He went to pit_ from school, In six - ty feet of dust and gas He lay and

23

Poco piú animato

hacked the coal. At twen - ty two they told him His free - dom was at

27

stake; He left his six - ty cu - bic_ feet, A sol - dier for to

31

Poco meno mosso

make. He_ slept with se-ven o-thers, The

36

tent was pitched in clay, The rain ran down_ the hill - side And_ drenched them night and

40

day. He lay and coughed his heart out In six - ty feet of damp.

43

At last when he could hard-ly stand They

47

marched him out to camp.

mp marc.

50

Tempo primo

rit.

Like a funeral march

They

mf *p*

55

brought him from hos - pi - tal, They brought him home a lone, In six - ty cu - bic

60

feet of deal That he could call his own. They bur - ied him with hon - our, The

poco *a* *poco*

65

bug-ler blew Re - treat, And now he claims of Eng - lish

cresc.

f

3 3

70

earth Some six - ty cu - bic feet

p

p 3 3

73

f

ff

3 hours