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WINTER.

MOTTO.— Lo, Winter comes! and all his heralds blow
Their gusty trumpets — and his tents of snow
Usurp the fields from whence sad Autumn flies —
Autumn that finds a southern clime or dies.
The streams are dumb with woe — the forest grieves,
Wailing the loss of all its summer leaves —
As some fond Rachel on her childless breast
Clasps her thin hands where once her young were prest,
Then flings her empty arms into the air,
And swells the gale with her convulsed despair!

As when of old some minstrel woke the string
To please the ear of his victorious king —
And sung the triumphs of his monarch's sway,
And told what realms his sceptre bade obey —
Thus to Thy presence, would I come, oh, Lord!
And wake to praise and prayer, the trembling chord;
And sing how wide Thy banner waves unfurl'd
O'er all the various empires of the world:
Tho' Spring proclaims the promise of the year,
Or widowed Autumn walks in garments sere,
Tho' Summer cheers or Winter overwhelms,
All these, oh, Lord, are Thine obedient realms!

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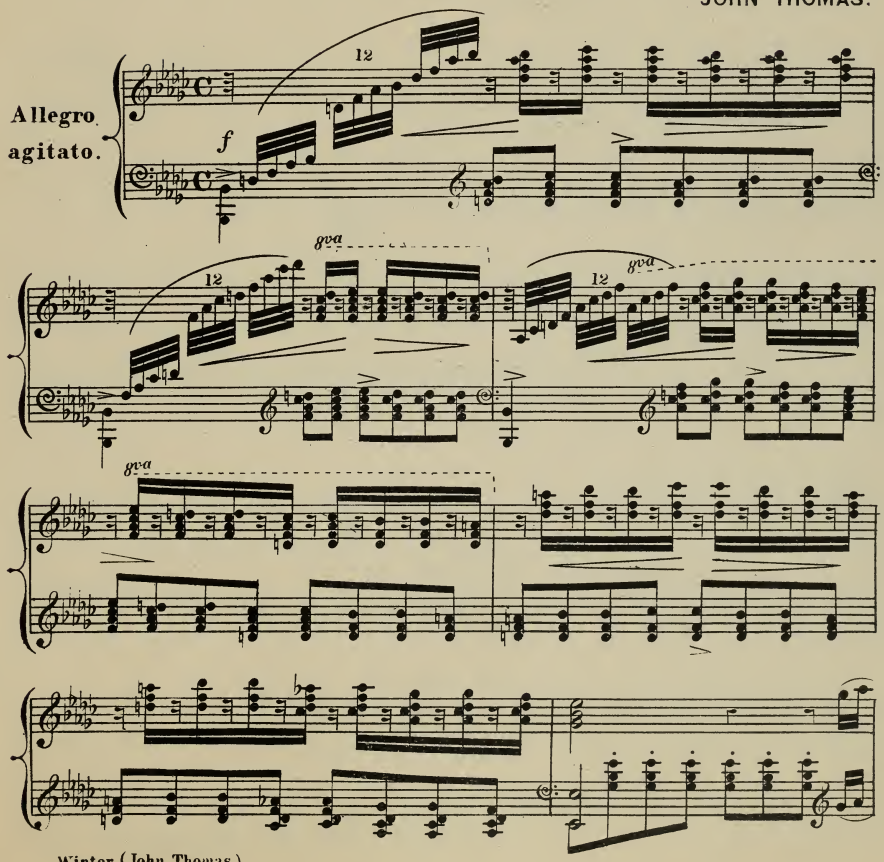

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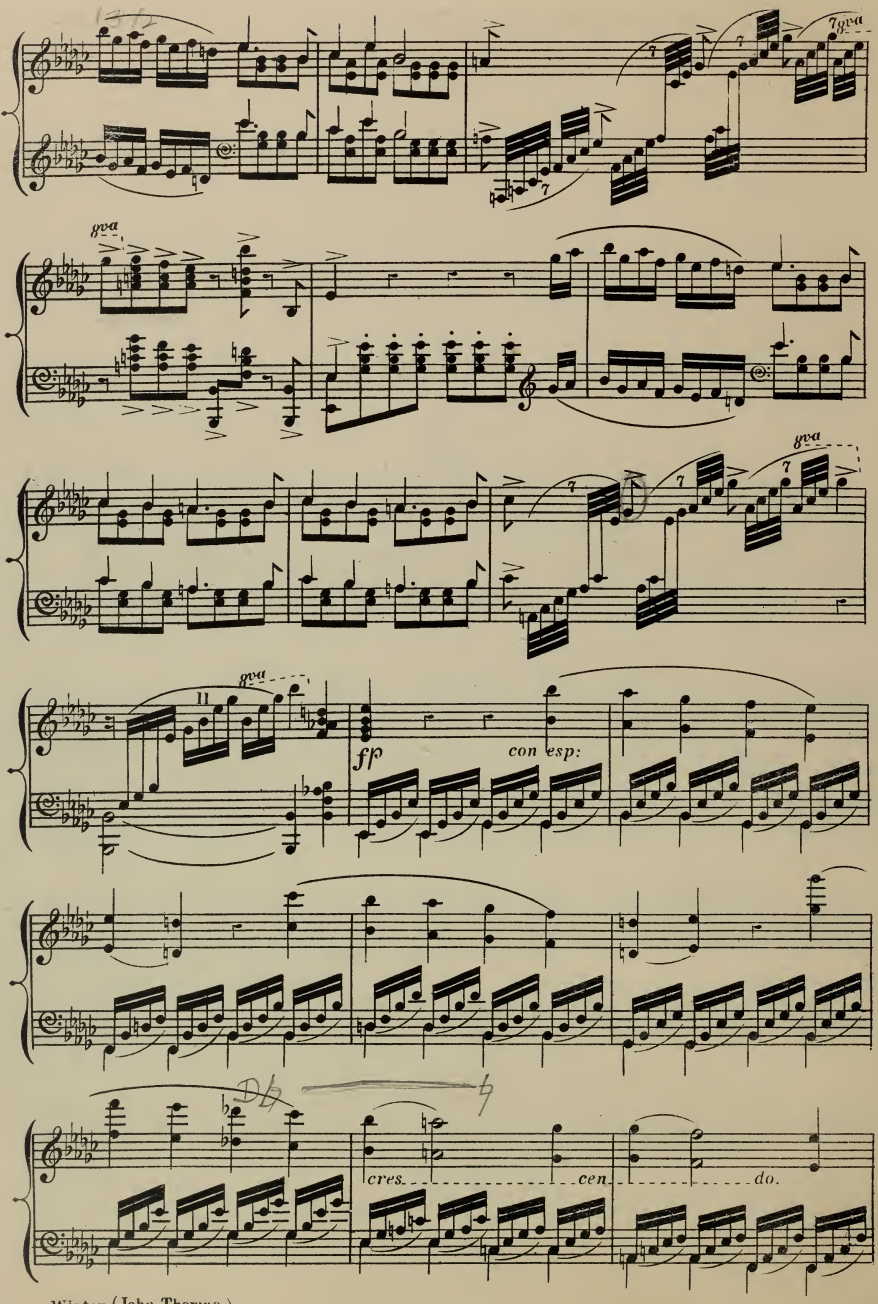
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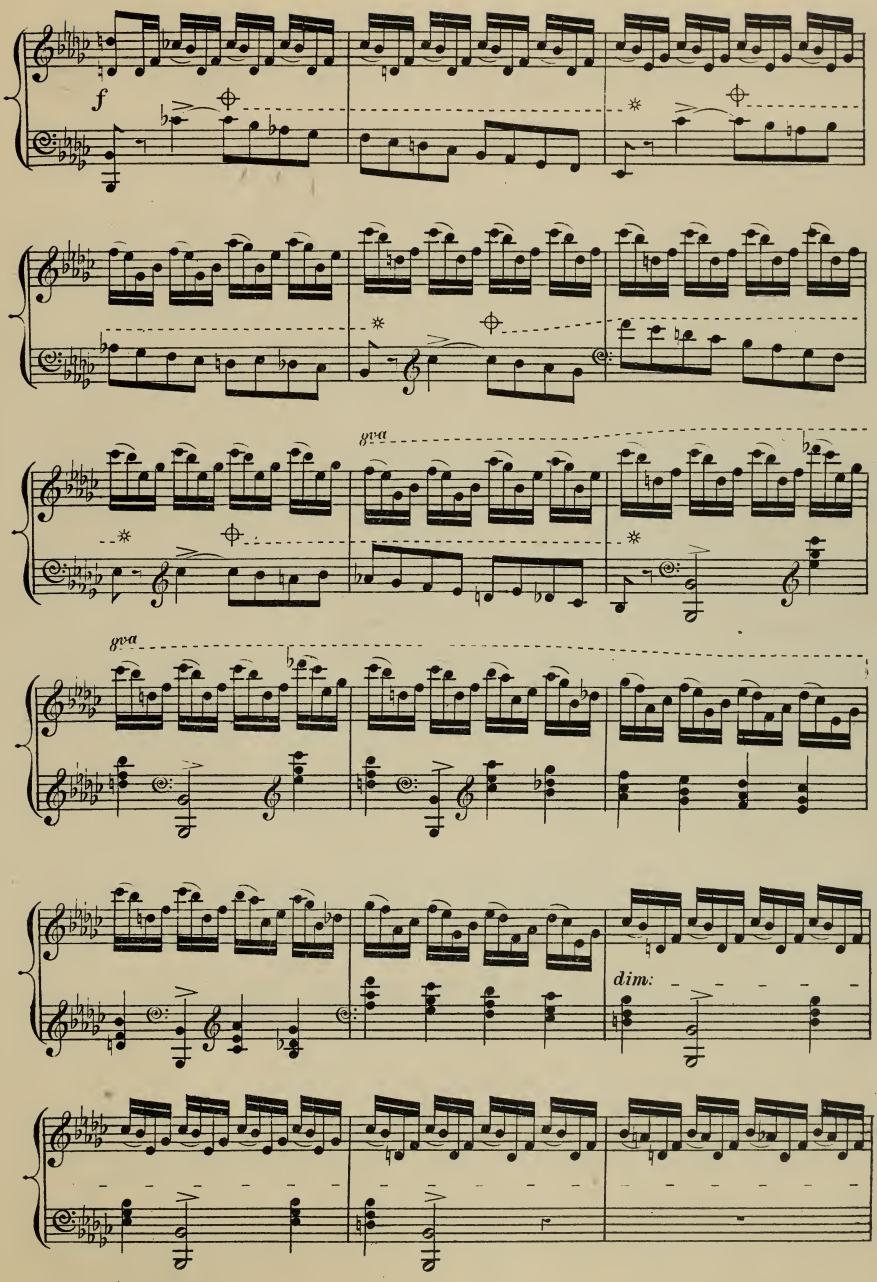
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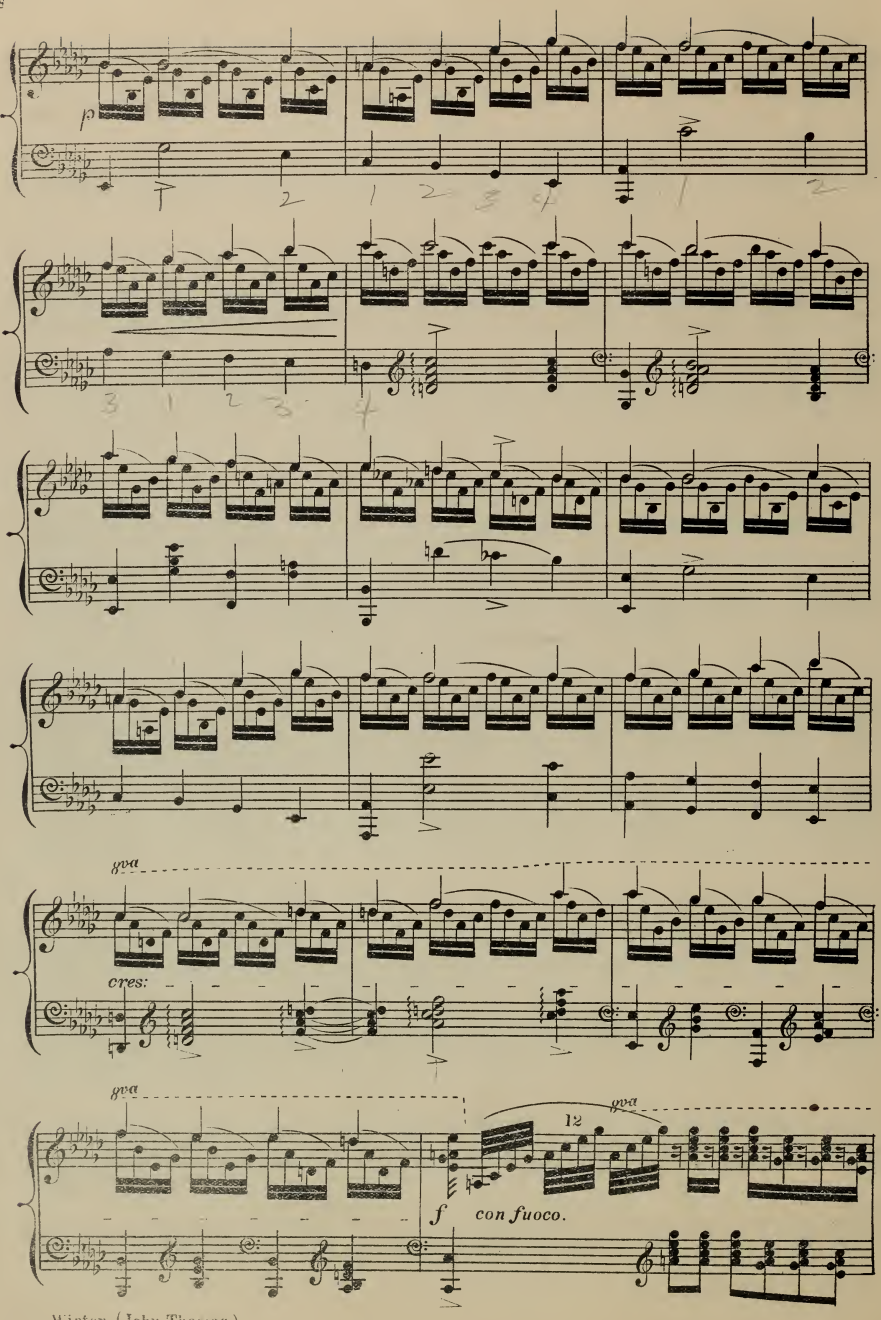
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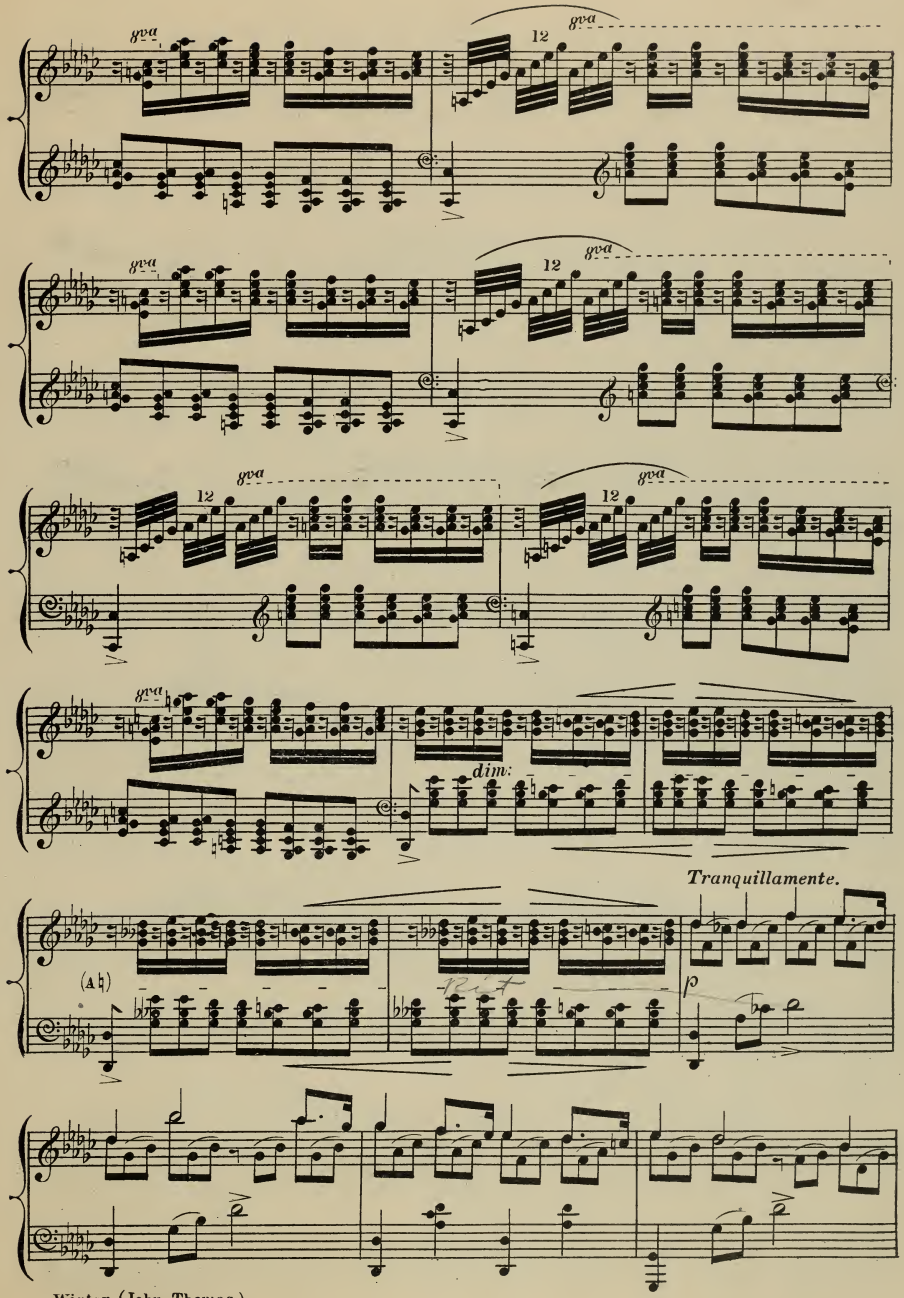
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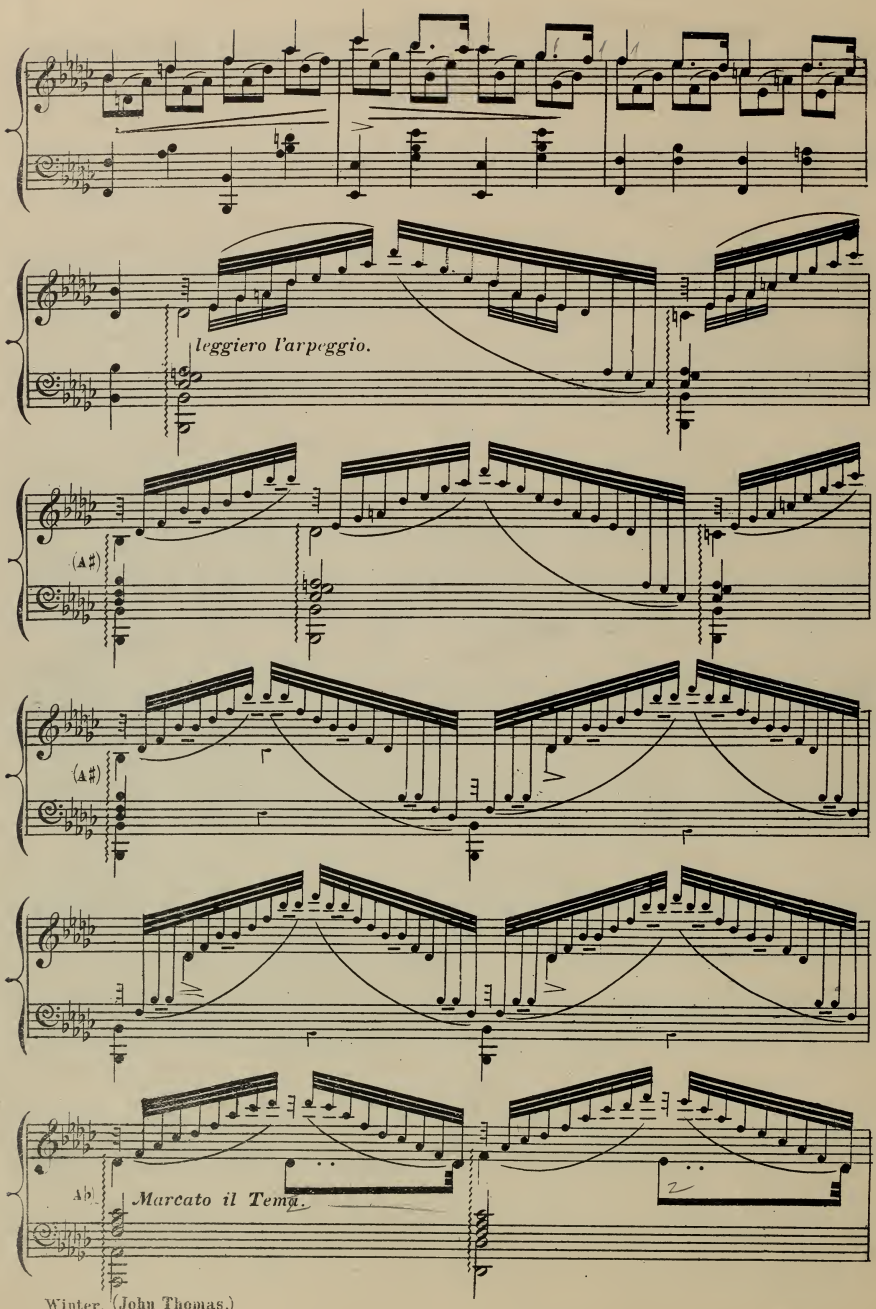

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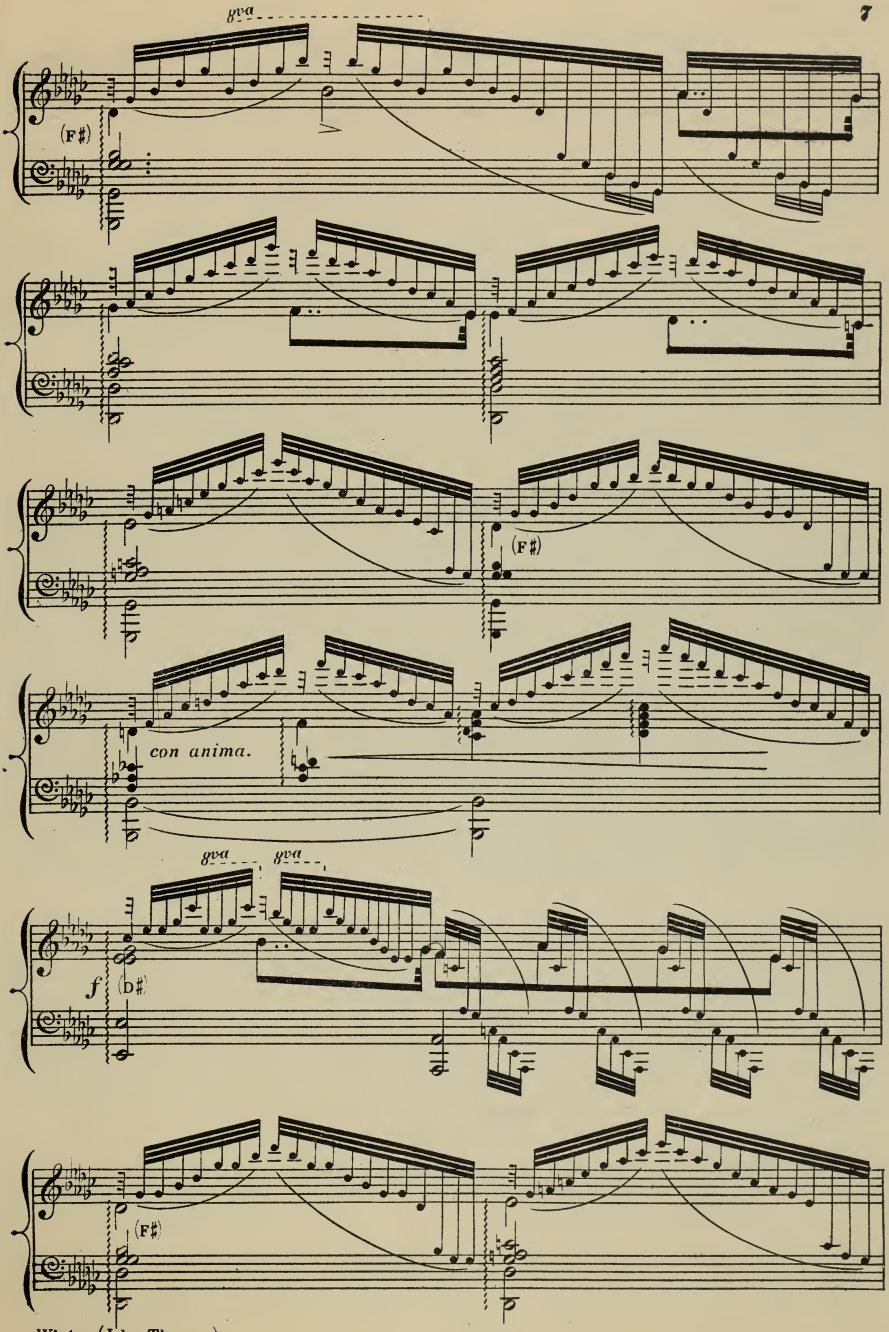
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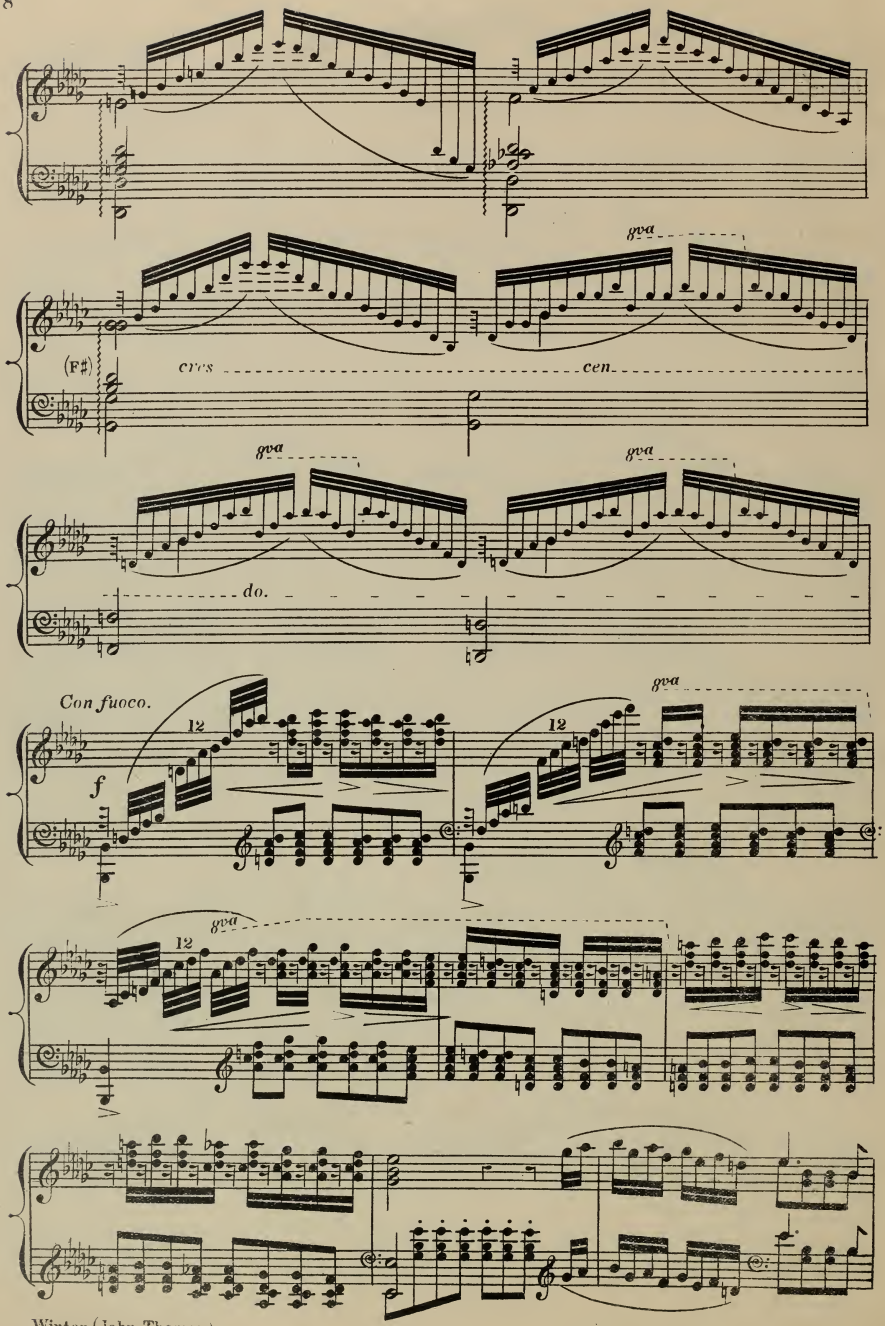
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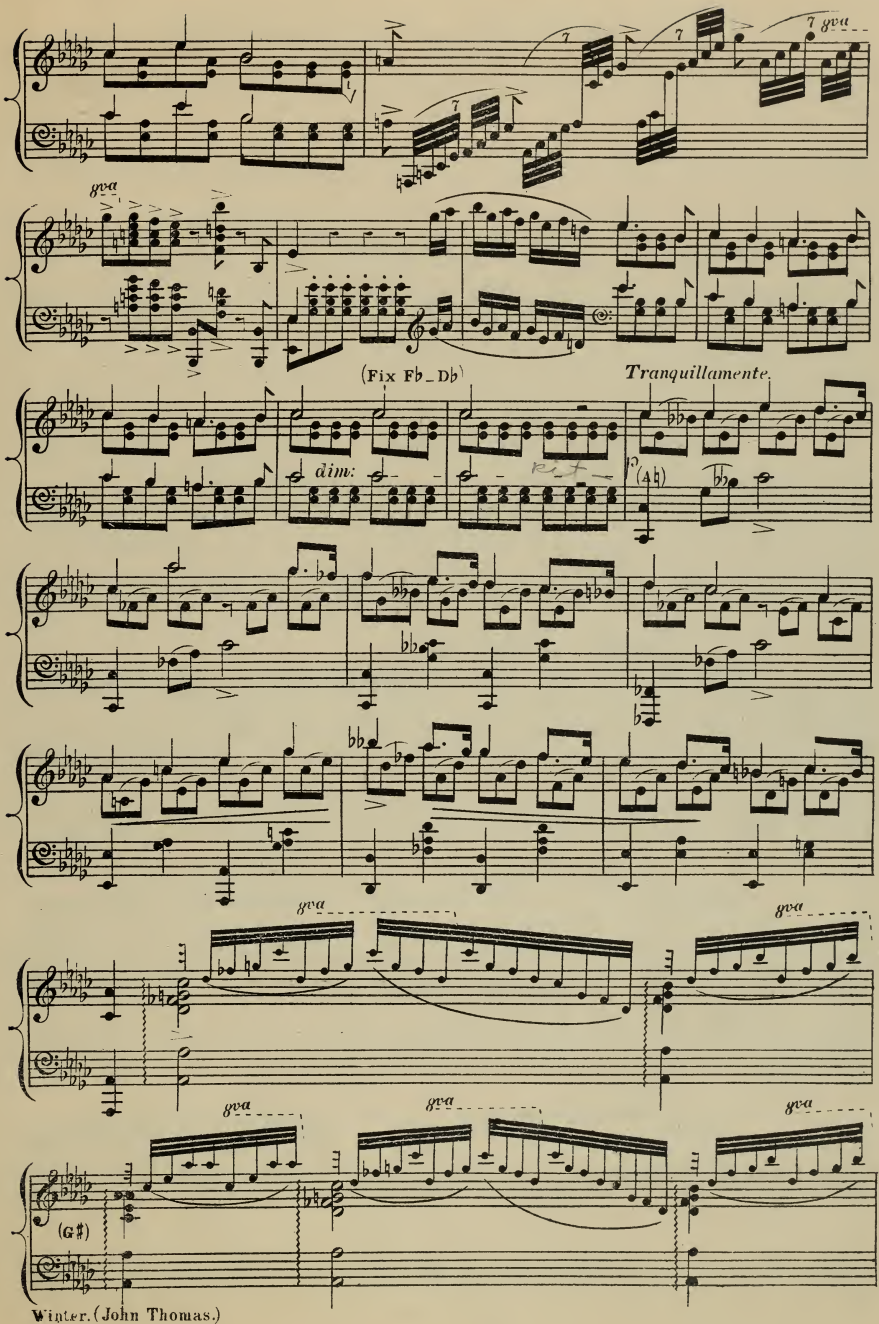

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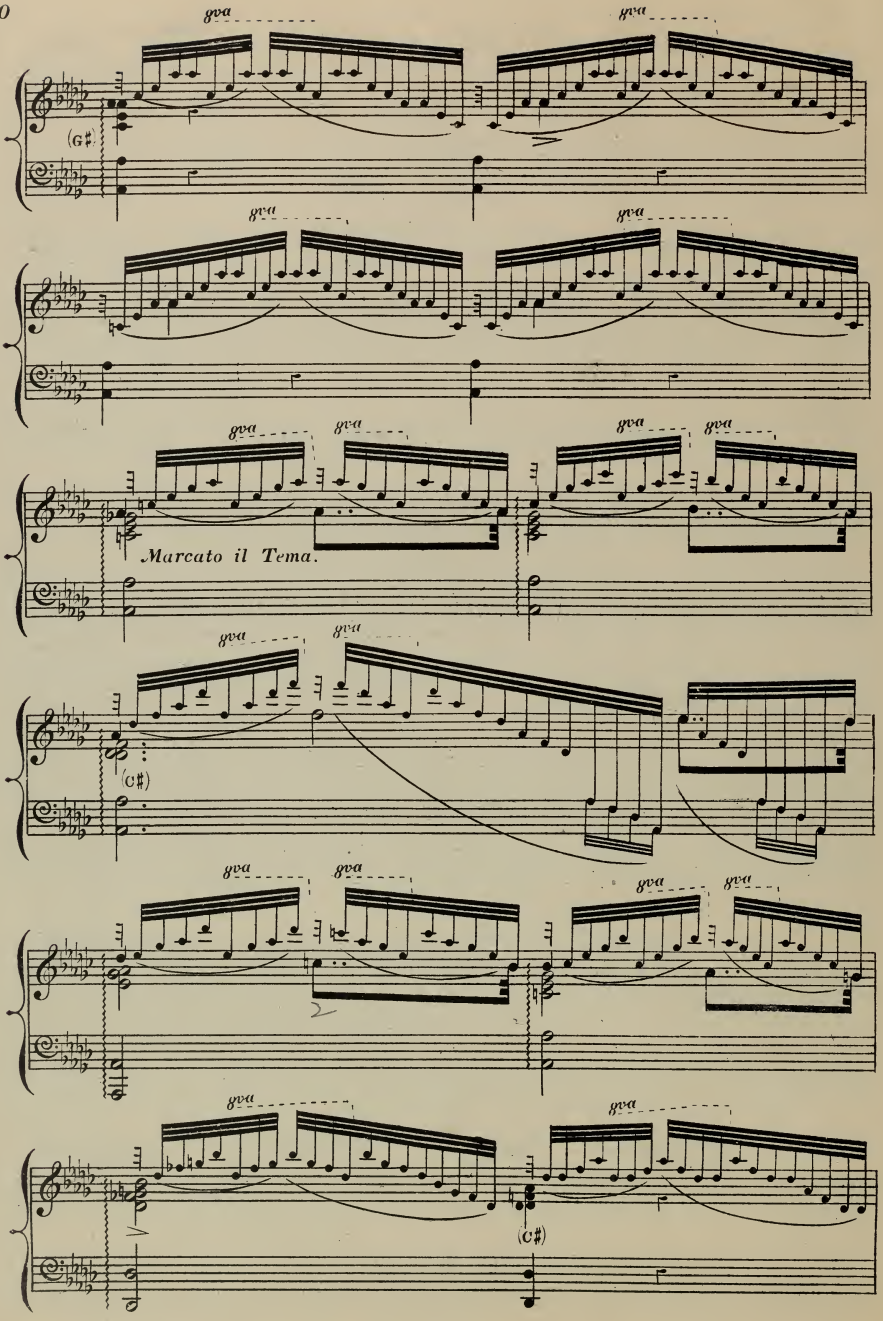
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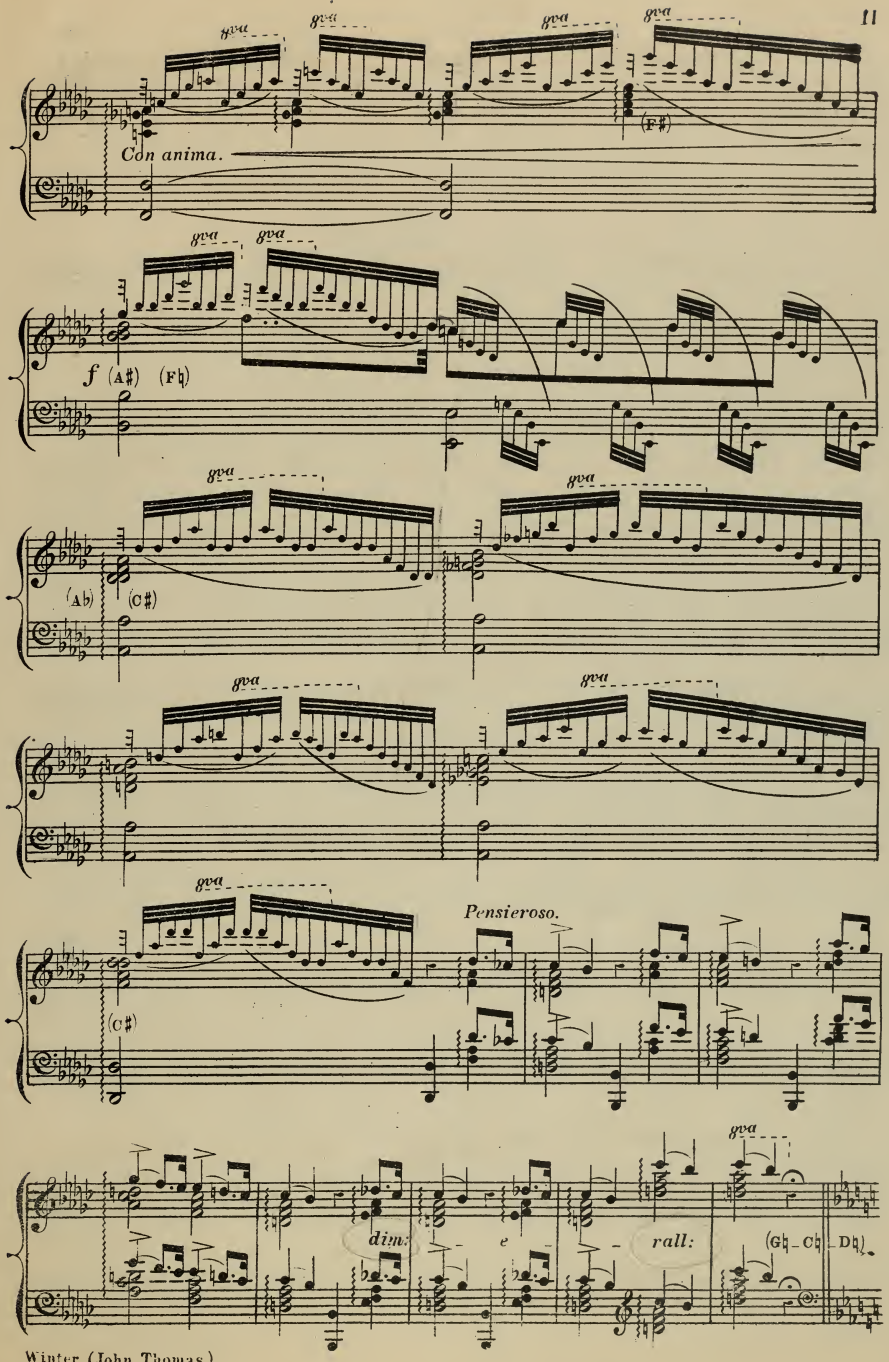
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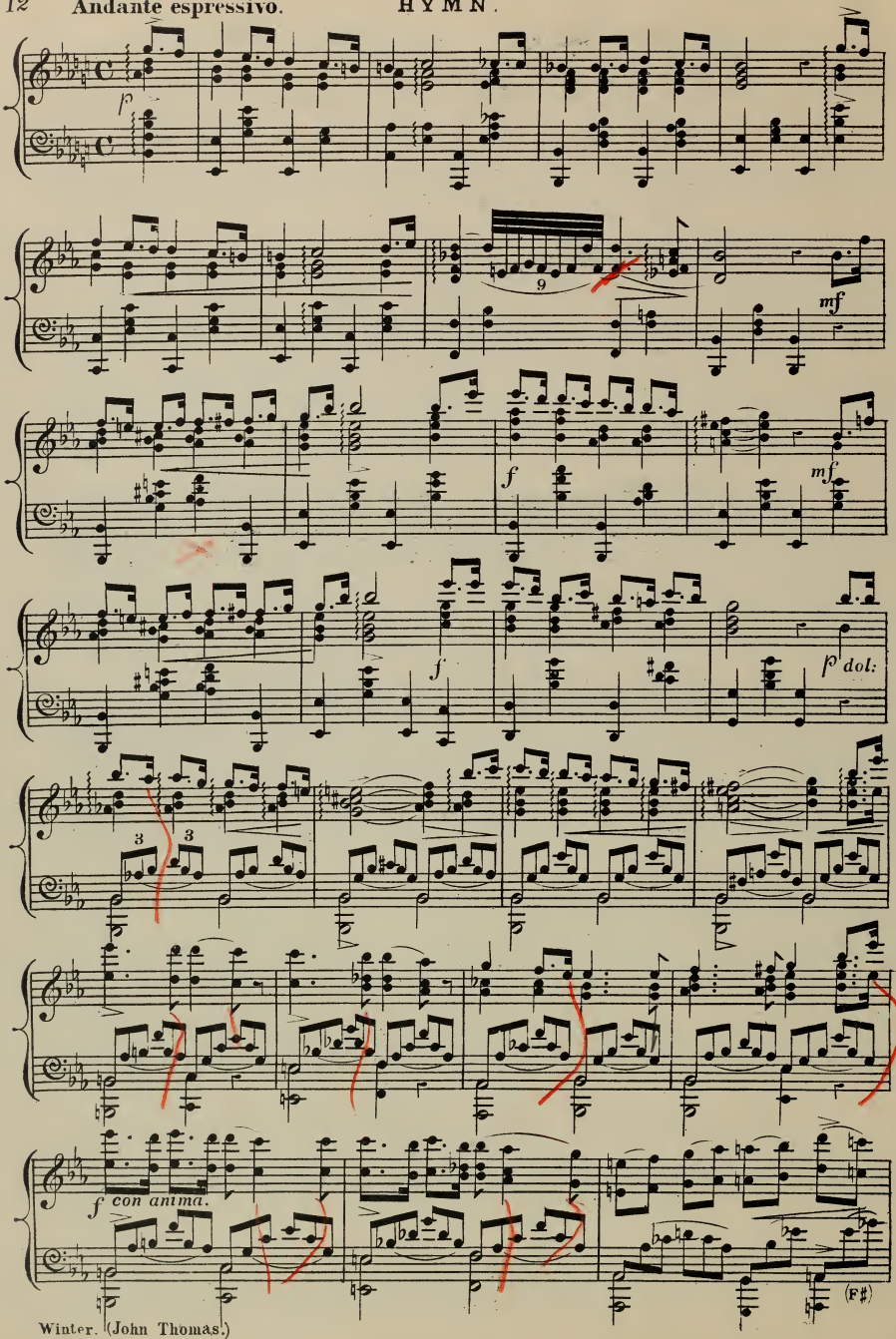

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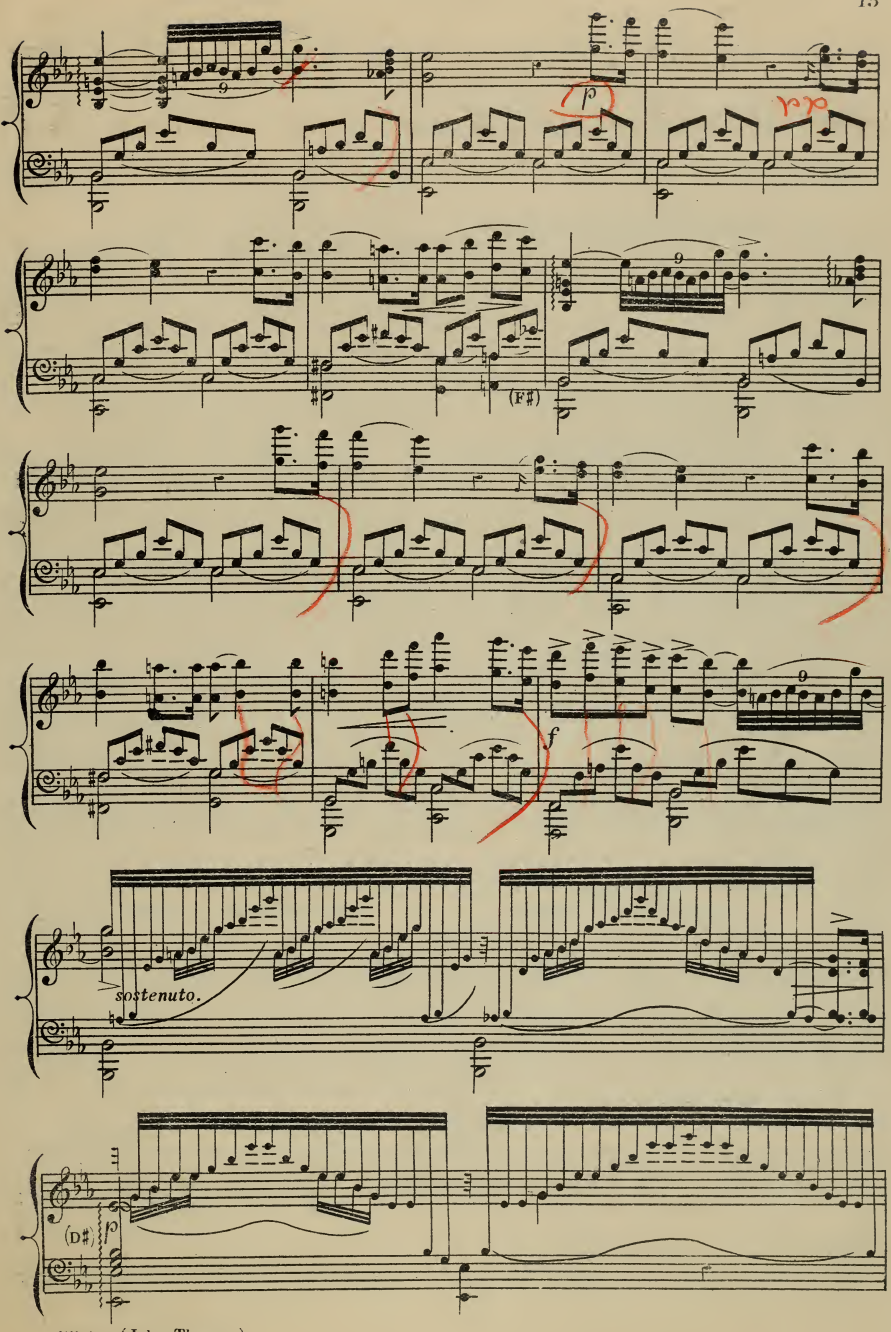
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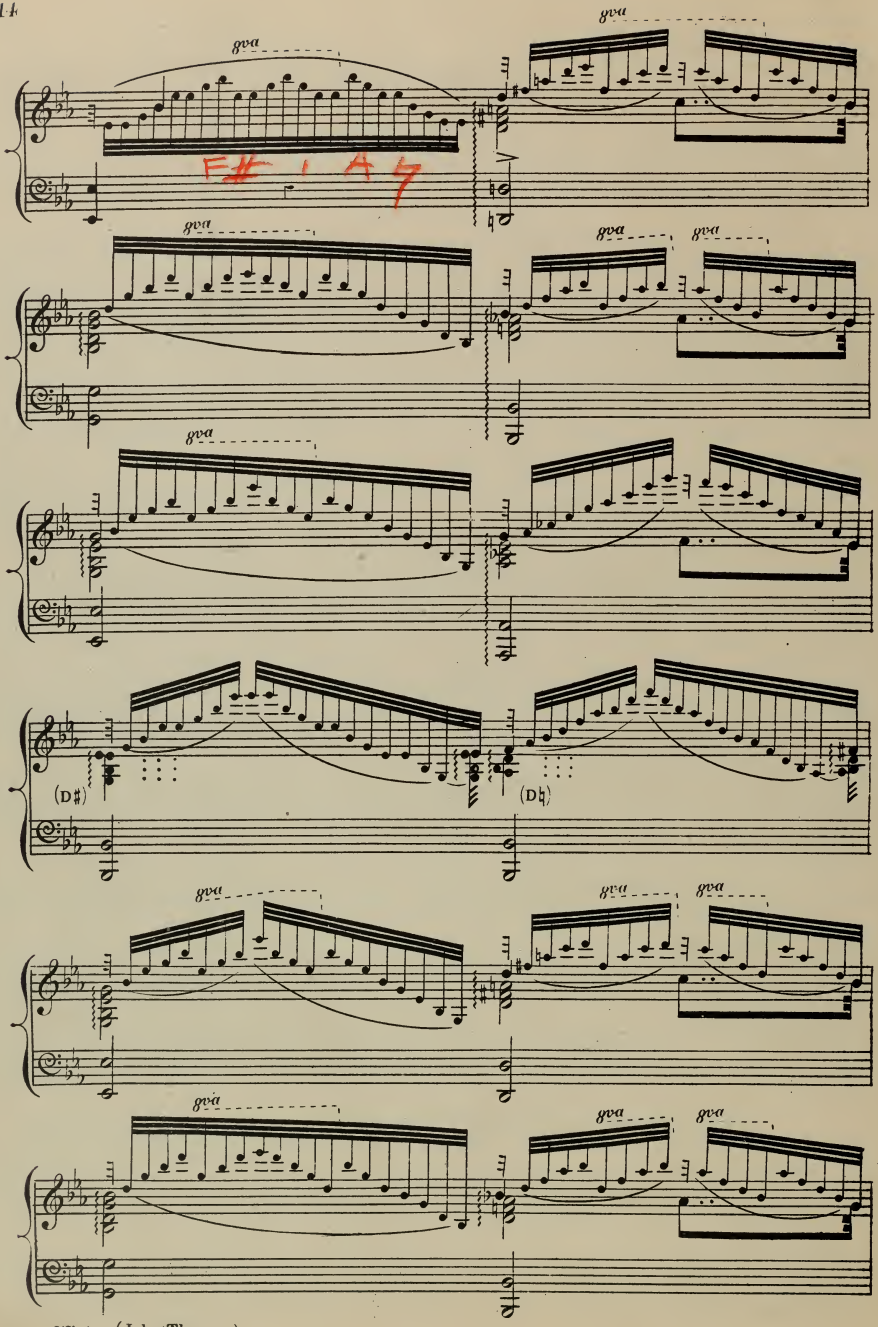

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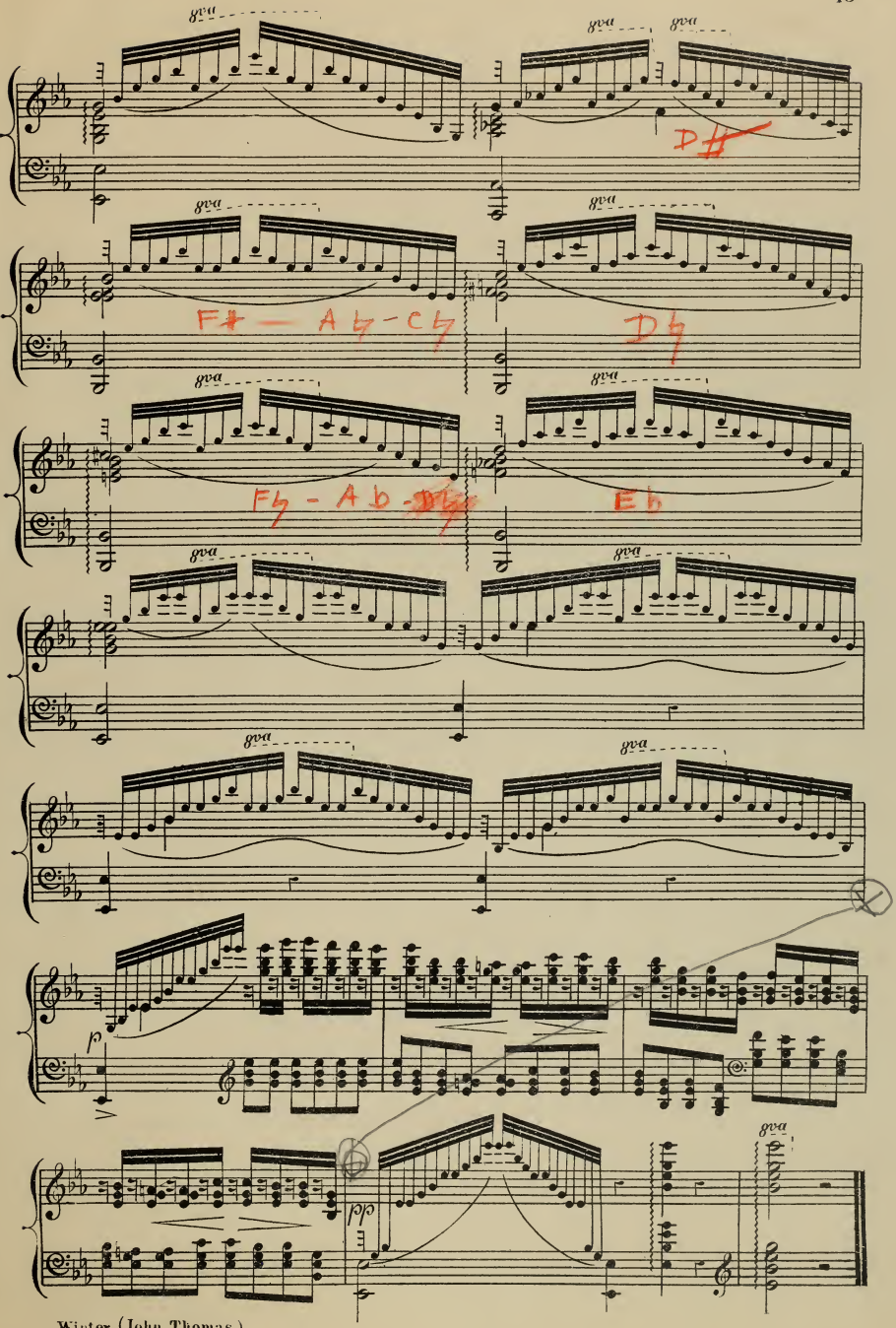

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