

The Old Men Admiring Themselves in the Water

William Butler Yeats

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Allegretto $\bullet = 108$

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sempre legato

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I heard the old, old men say,

sim. *p*

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'Ev - ery - thing al - ters, And one by one we

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9 drop a - way.' _____ They had

sotto voce

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11 hands like _____ claws, _____ and their knees Were

13 twist - ed like the old thorn - trees By the

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14 wa - ters.

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17 I heard the old, old men say,

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20 'All that's beautiful drifts away

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22 Like the waters.'

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