

# I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day

SATB and Keyboard

H. W. Longfellow, 1807-82

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*mf*  $\text{♩} = 50$

I heard the bells on

*mf*

*mp*

4

Christ - mas day Their old fa - mil - iar car - ols play, And

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7 *cresc.* *f* *dim.*

wild — and sweet — the words — re - peat — of peace — on earth, — good

*cresc.* *f* *dim.*

*cresc.* *f* *dim.*

10

will to men.  
all.

*mf*

*cresc.* *dim.* *mf*

I

13

thought — how, as — the day had come, The bel - fies of — all

16 *mf* *cresc.*

Had rolled a - long — th'un - bro - ken song — Of

Chris - ten - dom

*cresc.*

19 *dim.*

peace — on earth, — good will to men. *all.*

*dim.*

*dim.* *cresc.* *dim.*

22 *mp*

And in — de - spair — I bowed my head: — "There

*mp*

*mp*

25

*cresc.*

is — no peace — on earth," I said, — "For hate — is strong, — and

*cresc.*

*cresc.*

28

*f* *rit. e dim.* *f a tempo*  
Then

mocks — the song — Of peace on earth, — good will to men." Then  
*all.*"

*f* *rit. e dim.* *a tempo*  
*f*

*f* *rit. e dim.* *a tempo*  
*f*

pealed — the bells — more loud — and deep:

31

pealed the loud bells: — “God is not dead — nor

34

doth He sleep; — The wrong shall fail, — the right pre - vail, — With  
*God*

*cresc.* *ff*

*cresc.* *ff*

*cresc.* *ff*

37

peace — on earth, — good will to men.” —  
*all.”*

*rit.*

*rit.* *f*