

La Paloma

(THE DOVE)

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Moderato

The day _____ that I left my home for the roll - ing
 And when _____ I come home, from Ni - na to part no

sea, more, I said _____ "Moth - er dear, oh, pray to thy God for
 To rest _____ with my moth - er dear on my na - tive

me." _____ And ere _____ we sailed I
 shore, _____ A - dieu _____ to the ship

went a fond leave to take _____ Of Ni -
 where often with chang - ing mind, _____ I've laughed

- na, who wept as if her poor heart would break. "Ni - na, if I should
 and I've wept as veered the light chang - ing wind. Then comes the day, the

die and o'er o - cean's foam _____ Soft - ly a white dove
 hap - py and bless - ed day, _____ Chas - ing all sad - ness,

on a fair eve should come. _____ O - pen thy lat - tice, dear - est, for it will
 sor - row and care a - way. _____ Ni - na so fair, all smiles will be by my

be _____ My faith - ful soul that lov - ing comes back to thee!"
 side! _____ Ni - na so dear, will be my own blush - ing bride!

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