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Tempo giusto $\text{♩} = \text{c. } 112$

(MOTHER ABBESS and NUNS look at SISTER BERTHE, then look front.)

SISTER SOPHIA: 74

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laugh!

How do you solve a prob - lem like Ma -

p *leggiero sempre*

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MOTHER ABBESS:

ri - a? How do you catch a cloud and pin it down?

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SISTER MARGARETTA:

SISTER BERTHE: (raising both hands)

How do you find a word that means Ma - ri - a? A

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SISTER SOPHIA: (raising both hands)

SISTER MARGARETTA: (raising both hands)

flib - ber - ti - gib - bet! A will - o' - the - wisp! A clown!

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82 MOTHER ABBESS:

Man - y a thing you know you'd like to tell her,

84 SISTER MARGARETTA:

Man - y a thing she ought to un - der - stand, But

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how do you make her stay And lis - ten to all you say?

88 MOTHER ABBESS:

How do you keep a wave up - on the sand?

SISTER MARGARETTA:

Oh,

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90 how do you solve a prob - lem like Ma - ri - a?

MOTHER ABBESS:
(raising both hands)

(NUNS begin entering, intrigued by the conversation they have happened upon.)

SISTER MARGARETTA:

92 How do you hold a moon-beam in your hand? When I'm

rit. *a tempo* *accel.*

(♩ = c. 132)

96 with her I'm con - fused, Out of fo - cus and be - mused, And I nev - er know ex -

mosso

(SISTER MARGARETTA:)

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101 act - ly where I am.

SISTER BERTHE:

Un - pre - dict - a - ble as weath - er, She's as