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JAPAN: Kimigayo (*The Emperor's Reign*)

♩ = 56

Hiromori Hayashi (1831-1896)

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The musical score is written in bass clef with a common time signature (C). It consists of three staves of music. The first staff begins with a dynamic marking of *p* (piano) and includes a slur over the first four notes, followed by a crescendo leading to a dynamic marking of *mf* (mezzo-forte). The second staff starts with a measure rest of 4 measures, then continues with a slur over the first four notes, followed by a crescendo to *f* (forte), then a decrescendo to *mf*. The third staff starts with a measure rest of 8 measures, then continues with a slur over the first four notes, followed by a crescendo to *f*, then a decrescendo to *poco rit.* (poco ritardando), and finally a dynamic marking of *p* at the end of the piece.

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