

Son povera donzella

Text by an anonymous poet

Set by *Luigi Manzi* (c. 1665–after 1708)

Son	povera	donzella,
[so:n	'pɔ:. ve.ra	don.'dzɛl.la]
I-am	(a)-poor ¹	girl,

Altro non ho che il core,
E il core ti dono.

Non merito il tuo amore,
Ma pur se m'amerai,
Allor vedrai, quanto fedele io sono.

The entire text to this title with the complete
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Thank you!



¹ The text is presumably referring to the practice of the giving of a dowry, the transfer of parental property, gifts, or money at the marriage of a daughter. The young girl has nothing to bring into marriage but her love.