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Heavily, in the region of $\text{♩} = 58$

G G/B Am/C

1. A bold Hip - po - po - ta - mus was stand - ing one
 (2.) fair Hip - po - po - ta - ma he aimed to en -
 (3.) more Hip - po - po - ta - mi be - gan to con -

8 Bm/D Em D/A Em/A Am7 D D7/A G G/B

day On the banks of the cool Sha - li - mar. He gazed at the bot - tom as it
 tice From her seat on that hill - top a - bove, As she had - n't got a ma to
 vene On the banks of that ri - ver so wide. I won - der now what am I to

15 Am/C B Em D/A A7 D N.C. Am

peace - ful - ly lay By the light of the e - ven - ing star. A - way on the
 give her ad - vice, Came tip - toe - ing down to her love. Like thun - der the
 say of the scene That en - sued by the Sha - li - mar side? They dived all at

22 Em F/A E F Bm7/D Am/E E7 Am D/F#

hill top sat comb - ing her hair His fair Hip - po - po - ta - mine maid; The
 fo - rest re - e - choed the sound Of the song that they sang as they met. His
 once with an ear - split - ting splash Then rose to the sur - face a - gain, A