




Translation:

Come on! Sleep, my daughter, and I shall give you the city of Alexandria in sugar, Cairo in rice, and Constantinople for you to reign there for three years.

This melody belongs to the *oriental chromatic* scale of which we have given an account above[1]. Its ambitus extends beyond the final *re* flat and descends to the *ut* natural. If the melody which rises a sixth above its final were to extend to the octave above, the *ut* of the upper octave would be *sharp*, in line with the principles governing this scale. Thanks to the presence of the *ut* natural and the absense of the *ut sharp*, the part of the scale that appears in this song does not differ in the composition of its intervals in any way from our G minor scale; only that the song, instead of ending on the tonic, ends on the dominant.

[1] See Introduction, p. 20

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