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The musical score consists of five staves. The first staff is labeled 'H1 a' and contains a treble clef, a key signature of one flat (B-flat), and a 12/8 time signature. It features a melodic line with a repeat sign and a piano accompaniment. The second staff continues the melodic line. The third staff is labeled 'b' and continues the melodic line. The fourth staff is labeled 'M' and contains a melodic line with a repeat sign. The fifth staff is labeled '?' and contains a melodic line with a repeat sign.

With 340 begins the last batch of pieces, in two other hands, and employing slight differences in notational conventions. They constitute random rather than systematic extensions of the collection, and were presumably added at various times. Some, including 340, are fragmentary.

The three durational codes are no longer specified, and we revert here to the conventions of the first two groups, i.e. normally  $1 = \text{♩}$  (= *vezn-i kebir*), which will still be entered in the heading.

H1 a: the internal repetition is indicated by the term *mükerrer*.

M: roughly a third of the page remains blank, so we are faced not with loss of material but failure on the part of the person notating to recall or obtain the remainder of the composition. For the fragment of the *mıldzime* that is notated no durational values are given, and the lower conjectural line thus represents merely one possible rhythmic arrangement.