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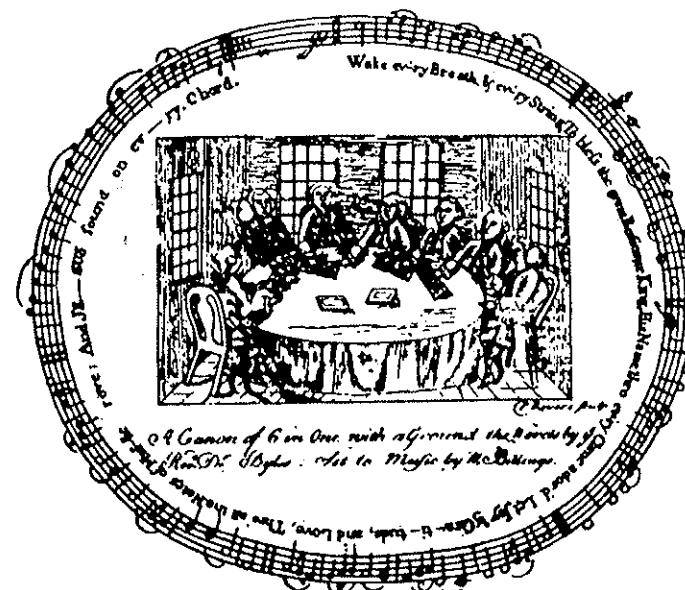
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FOR 2-6 EQUAL OR MIXED VOICES



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1. RONDELLUS

(Sir Walter Scott)

For four voices

Text setting by H. R.

Anonymous
13th century

Allegro vivace

Wa - ken, lords and la - dies gay!
On the moun - tain dawns the day.

2. FRÈRE JACQUES

For four voices

Moderato

French traditional

Frè - re Ja - que, frè - re Ja - que,
Are you sleep - ing, sleep - ing?
Dor - mez vous?
Broth - er John,
Son - nez la ma - ti - ne,
Go and ring the church bell,
Ding deng dong, ding deng dong.

3. FAREWELL

For four voices

Allegro moderato

English traditional



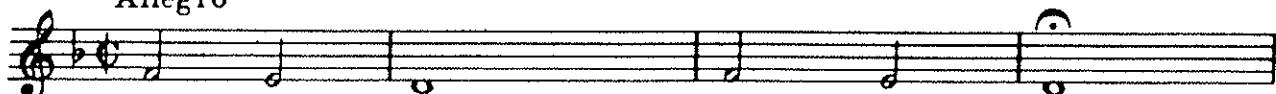
Fare-well dear, peace be with thee, when I'm gone then think of me.

4. THREE BLIND MICE

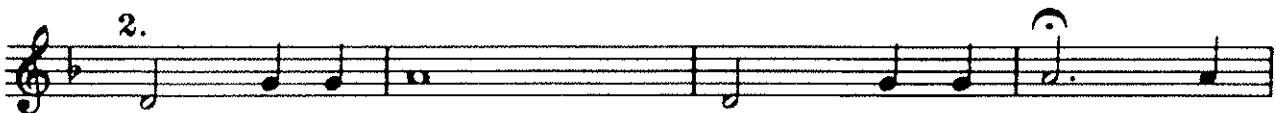
For three voices

TH. RAVENSCROFT (?)
1583-1633

Allegro



Three blind mice, three blind mice.



Dame Ju - li - an, Dame Ju - li - an. The



mil - ler and the mer - ry old wife, she scrap'd her tripe, lick thou the knife.

5. MESSAGE

For four voices

Anonymous
1612

Allegretto



Go to Joan Glov - er and tell her I love her, And



at the mid of the moon I will come to her.

6. EPITAPH

For four voices

WILLIAM HAYES
1705-1777

Moderato

The musical score for "Epitaph" consists of four staves of music for four voices. The key signature is G major (one sharp). The time signature is common time (indicated by a 'C'). The vocal parts are labeled 1., 2., 3., and 4. from left to right. The lyrics are:

Here lies old Bridg - es that's e - noug; his
can - dle's out, but here's the stuff, his
soul is flown the Lord knows where, but
what the Dev'l has left lies here.

7. FRIENDSHIP

for four voices

LOWELL MASON
1792-1872

Moderato

The musical score for "Friendship" consists of four staves of music for four voices. The key signature is G major (one sharp). The time signature is common time (indicated by a 'C'). The vocal parts are labeled 1., 2., 3., and 4. from left to right. The lyrics are:

Long life to the friend who in sun-shine is
true and when we're in dark-ness, can weep with us too.

8. SWEETLY FLOW

For three voices

PHILIP HAYES
1738-1797

Moderato

The musical score for "Sweetly Flow" consists of three staves of music for three voices. The key signature is G major (one sharp). The time signature is common time (indicated by a 'C'). The vocal parts are labeled 1., 2., and 3. from left to right. The lyrics are:

Sweet - ly flow thou gen - tle stream on whose
banks fresh bean - ties beam.

9. HIGH SPIRITS

For four voices

Text by H.R.

ANTONIO CALDARA
1670-1736

Allegro

A musical score for four voices. It consists of four staves of music in common time, treble clef, and a key signature of one flat. The vocal parts are labeled 1., 2., 3., and 4. The lyrics are: "Keep your spirit high, bid gloom and discontent good-bye!"

Keep your spirit high, bid
gloom and discontent good-bye!

10. AWAKE!

For two voices

J. J. WACHSMANN
1787-1853

Translated by H.R.

Moderato

A musical score for two voices. It consists of two staves of music in common time, treble clef, and a key signature of one sharp. The vocal parts are labeled 1. and 2. The lyrics are: "A - wake, a - wake, the cock has crowed; the sun em - barks on the heav - en - ly road."

A - wake, a - wake, the cock has crowed; the
sun em - barks on the heav - en - ly road.

11. FOLLOW ME

For three voices

JOHN HILTON
1599-1657

Allegro

A musical score for three voices. It consists of three staves of music in common time, treble clef, and a key signature of one sharp. The vocal parts are labeled 1., 2., and 3. The lyrics are: "Come, fol - low, fol - low, fol - low, fol - low, fol - low me! Whith-er shall I fol - low, fol - low, fol - low whith-er shall I fol - low fol - low thee? To the gal-low, to the gal-low, to the gal-low, gal-low tree."

Come, fol - low, fol - low, fol - low, fol - low, fol - low me!
Whith-er shall I fol - low, fol - low, fol - low whith-er shall I fol - low fol - low thee?
To the gal-low, to the gal-low, to the gal-low, gal-low tree.

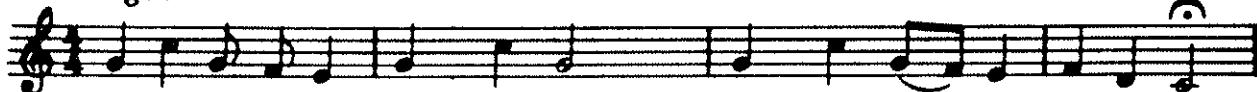
12. GLEE

For three voices

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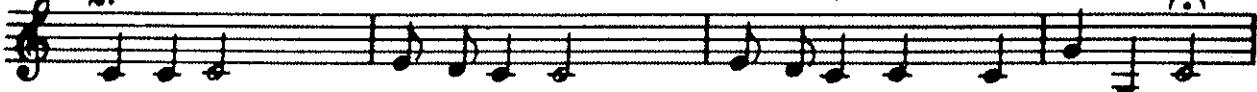
ANTONIO CALDARA
1670-1736

Allegro



Pull no fid-dle-stick, touch no key, blow no horn, but sing with glee.
Si can - te - mo, la la la, co - si l'o - re ne pas - se - rà.

2.



Beat no drum, twee-dle-dum, dum, twee-dle-dum, fel - lows, sing with glee.
La la la, La la la la, La la la la ne pas - se - rà.

3.



Twee-dle-dee, twee-dle-dee, twee-dle-dee, sing with glee.
La la la, La la la, L'o - re ne pas - se - rà.

13. TO-DAY

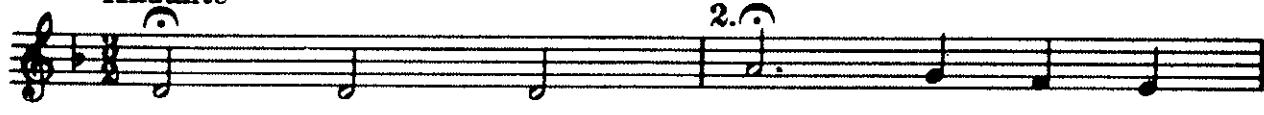
(Thomas Carlyle)

Text setting by H. R.

For four voices

CHRISTOPH PRAETORIUS
1585-1609

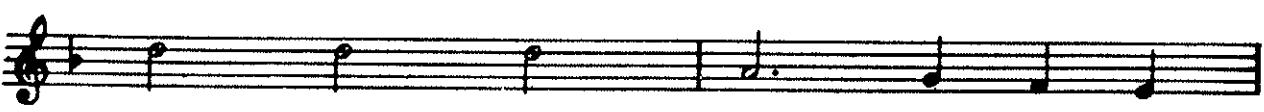
Andante



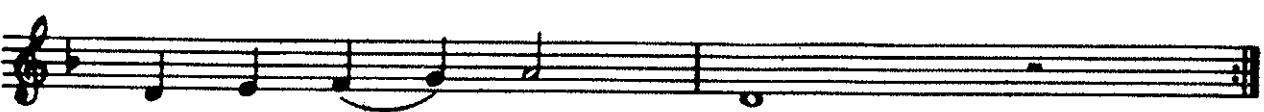
Out of e - - ter - ni - ty this



new day is born;



In - to e - - ter - ni - ty at



night it will - re - turn.

14. NIGHTINGALES

For three voices

Translated by H. R.

German
Anonymous

Andante

All is si - lent; night - in - gales _____

2.

Sing so sweet-ly ten-der mel-o-dies, draw tears from our eyes, sighs from the heart,

3.

Sing so sweet-ly ten-der mel-o-dies, draw tears from our eyes, sighs from the heart.

15. HYMNUS ANGELICUS

Text setting by H. R.

For four voices

L. E. GEBHARDI
1787-1862

Allegro

Glo - ry to God in the high - est!

2.

And on ____ earth _____ peace; _____ and __

3.

good will, good will ____ to - ward men. A -

4.

- - - men, A - - - - men.

16. ON THE HIKE

For three voices

Translated by H.R.

German
Anonymous

Allegro moderato

When will this hike be o - ver? I am so tir'd of
 march - ing, of march - ing, I am so deadly tir'd. I've
 lost my best com - pan - ion, my pipe, my pal, my friend on the hike,
 friend on the hike, my pret - ty lit - tle meer - schaum pipe. Hur -
 ray, hur-ray, I found it, I found your pal, I found the pipe,
 found the pipe, thus on for - ev - er goes the hike.

17. TO THEO. MOLT

Translated by H.R.

For two voices

L.v. BEETHOVEN
1770-1827

Allegro

Re - joice in liv - ing, re - joice, Re -
 Freu dich des Le - bens, freu dich, freu
 - joice in liv - ing, in liv - ing, in liv - ing.
 dich des Le - bens, des Le - bens, des Le - bens.

18. CATCH

For three voices

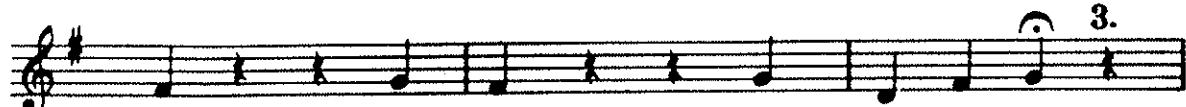
Text by H.R.

Anonymous

Allegro



Full mel-o-dies all hearts will please, each lad, each miss, sing



out, sing out, sing out your bliss



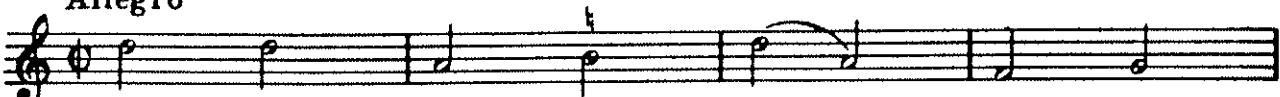
19. A SONG OF SIXPENCE

English text setting by H.R.

For three voices

Anonymous
14th century

Allegro



Sing a song of sixpence, a
Mar-tin, lie-ber Her-re, A-nun



pock-et full of rye; Four and twenty
lass uns fröh-lich sein; heut zu dei-nen



black-birds bak-ed in a pie. And when the pie was
Eh-ren und durch den Wil-len dein, die gäne sollst du uns



o-pened, the birds be-gan to sing, And was not this a
meh-ren und den küh-len Wein. Ge-sot-ten und ge-



dain-ty dish to set be-fore a king?
bra-ten, sie müs-sen all her-ein.

20. TO NIGHT

(P. B. Shelley)

Text setting by H. R.

For six voices

W. A. MOZART
1756-1791

Andante

Swift - ly walk o - ver the west - ern
 wave, Spir - it of Night!
 — Out of the mist - y, east - ern cave.

21. TO NEWTON

ALEXANDER POPE

For five voices

PHILIP HAYES
1738-1797

Moderato

Na-ture and na-ture's law lay hid in night.
 God said let New-ton be: and
 all was light.

22. PSALM 66

Text setting by H. R.

For five voices

MICHAEL PRAETORIUS
1571-1621

Allegro

Make a joyful noise unto God, all ye lands. Sing
 forth the hon - or of his name; make
 his praise glo - ri - ous.

23. LITANY

(after Robert Herrick)

English text setting by H.R.

For four voices

JOSEPH HAYDN
1732-1809

Andante

When the passing bell doth ger
 Tod ist ein Lan - toll Schlaf, And all the fur - ies in a
 Schlaf, ist ein kur - zer
 shoal will come to threat - en and to fright a part - ing
 Tod; der lin - dert dir, und je - ner tilgt des Le - bens
 soul, Sweet Spir - it, com - fort me!
 Not. Tod ist ein lan - ger Schlaf.

24. THE MULE

Text by Harold Weiss

For three voices

MORITZ HAUPTMANN
1792-1868

Allegretto

A mule can bray and drag a dray, he works all day, no time to play, and loud - ly cries hee - haw, hee - haw, Am I not a work - er?
 A mule can bray and drag a dray, he works all day, no time to play, He is a work - er.
 While graz - ing the lea he brays for me: I am a work - er.

25. IT WAS YOU

For three voices

EARL of MORNINGTON
1785-1784

Allegro

'Twas you, sir! 'twas you, sir! I tell you noth-ing
new, sir; 'twas you that kiss'd the pret-ty girl,'twas you, sir, you!—
'tis true, sir, 'tis true, sir, you look so ver-y
blue, sir; I'm sure you kiss'd that pret-ty girl,'tis true, sir, true!
O, sir, no, sir, no, no, no, no, no, sir; How can you wrong me
so, sir, I did not kiss the pret-ty girl, but I know who!

26. HEY DOWN

For three voices at the fifth

Condensed notation

TH. RAVENSCROFT (?)
1688-1683

Allegro

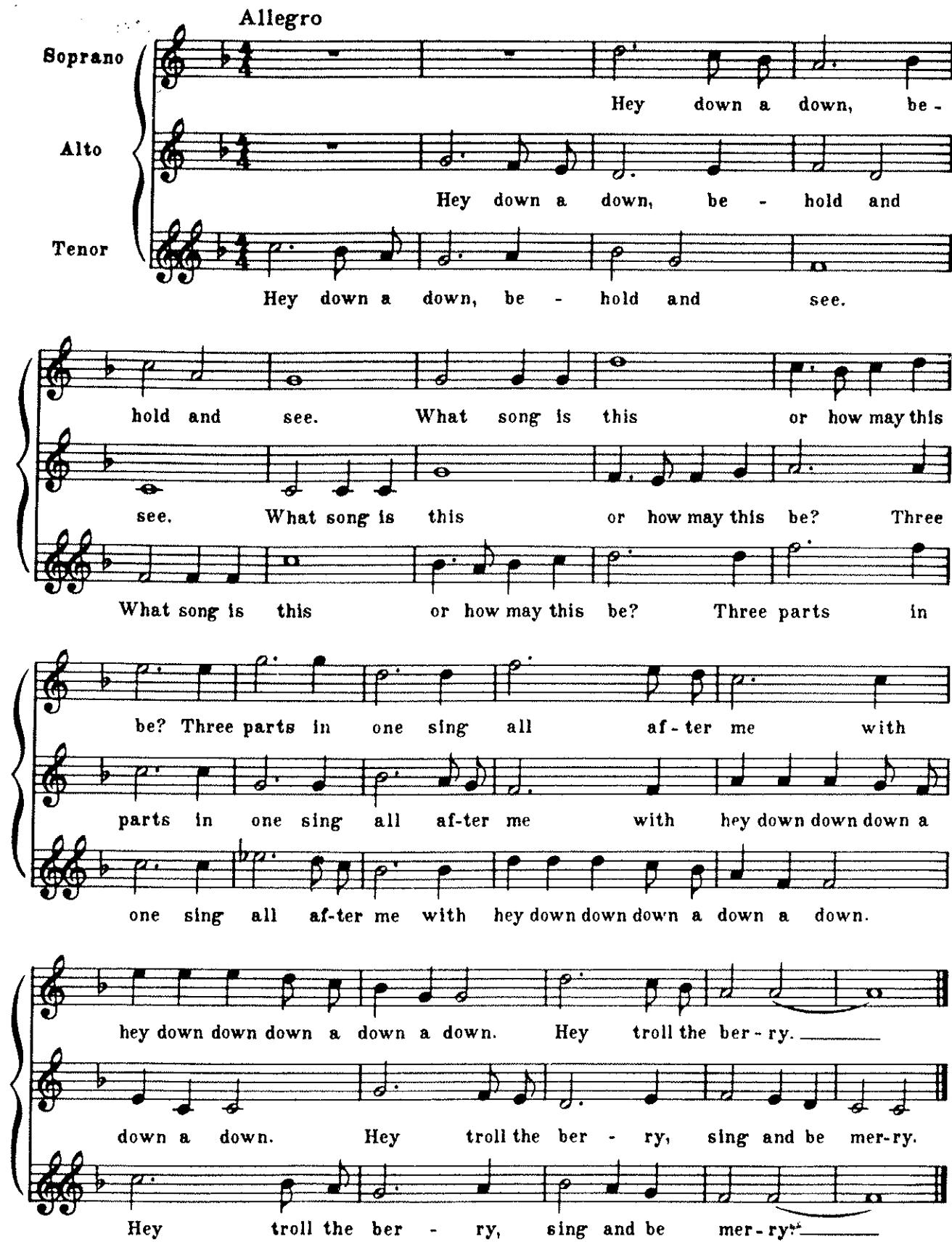
(T.) (A.) (S.) 1.(T.) 2.(A.) 3.(S.)

Hey down a down, be - hold and see.
What song is this or how may this be? Three parts in
one sing all af-ter me with hey down down down a
down a down. Hey troll the ber - ry, sing and be mer - ry.

Solution

Allegro

Soprano Alto Tenor



Hey down a down, be -

hold and see. What song is this or how may this see. What song is this or how may this be? Three

What song is this or how may this be? Three parts in be? Three parts in one sing all af-ter me with

parts in one sing all af-ter me with hey down down down a one sing all af-ter me with hey down down down a down a down. Hey troll the ber-ry.

down a down. Hey troll the ber- ry, sing and be mer-ry. Hey troll the ber- ry, sing and be mer-ry!

