## Six Songes for My Deare Herte



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## 1. Song

Words by Edmund Waller (1606-1687)
Peter Dyson


Tenor


Bass


1. Go love - ly
2. Tell her that's
3. Small is the
4. Then die! that




## SONG.

Edmund Waller (1606-1687)

Go, lovely Rose-
Tell her that wastes her time and me, That now she knows, When I resemble her to thee, How sweet and fair she seems to be.


Tell her that 's young,
And shuns to have her graces spied, That hadst thou sprung In deserts where no men abide, Thou must have uncommended died.

Small is the worth
Of beauty from the light retired:


Bid her come forth,
Suffer herself to be desired, And not blush so to be admired.

Then die-that she
The common fate of all things rare May read in thee;
How small a part of time they share That are so wondrous sweet and fair!


## 2. Spring Morning

Words by John Clare (1793-1864)


The Spring comes in with all her hues and smells, In fresh-ness brea-thing ov-er hills and dells;
A.



Love


Fresh are new o-pened flowers, un-touched and free from the bold ri-fling of the a-mo-rous bee.



## SPRING MORNING.

John Clare
(1793-1864)
The Spring comes in with all her hues and smells, In freshness breathing over hills and dells; O'er woods where May her gorgeous drapery flings, And meads washed fragrant by their laughing springs. Fresh are new opened flowers, untouched and free From the bold rifling of the amorous bee.
The happy time of singing birds is come, And Love's lone pilgrimage now finds a home;


## 3. Night

Words anonymous

## Moderato ( $\quad=72$ )

A.

T.







## NIGHT

Anon
Text used by Robert Jones in A Musicalle Dream 1609
And is it night? Are they thine eyes that shine?
Are we alone and here and here alone?
May I come near, may I but touch thy shrine?
Is Jealousy asleep and he is gone?
O Gods no more, silence my lips with thine, Lips, kisses, joys, hap, blessings most divine.

O come, my dear, our griefs are turn'd to night, And night to joys, night blinds pale Envy's eyes, Silence and sleep prepare us our delight,
O cease we then our woes, our griefs, our cries,
O vanish words, words do but passions move,
O dearest life, joys sweet, O sweetest love.


## 4. Absence

Words: anonymous
Peter Dyson
Very calmly $(\cdot=54)$







## ABSENCE <br> Anon <br> circa 1300

Blow, Northern wynd,
Send me thou my sweeting, Blow, northern wynd.
Blow, blow, blow


## 5. Amo, Amas

Words by John O‘Keefe




A.


B.


Can I de - cline a Nymph di - vine? Her voice as a flute is dul-cis. Her o-cu-lus
B.




S.

A.

T.


AMO, AMAS
John O'Keefe
(1747-1833)

AMO, amas, I love a lass
As a cedar tall and slender!
Sweet cowslips' grace


Is her Nominative Case,
And she's of the Feminine Gender.
Rorum, corum, sunt Divorum!
Harum, scarum Divo!
Tag rag, merry derry, periwig and hatband, Hic hac, horum Genetivo!
Can I decline
A Nymph divine?
Her voice as a flute is dulcis!
Her oculi bright!
Her manus white!
And soft, when I tacto, her pulse is!
Rorum, corum, sunt Divorum!
Harum scarum Divo!
Tag rag , merry derry, periwig and hatband,
 Hic hac, horum Genetivo!
O, how bella
Is my Puella!
I'll kiss sacculorum!
If I've luck, Sir!
She's my Uxor!
$O$, dies benedictorum!
Rorum, corum, sunt Divorum!
Harum scarum Divo!
Tag rag, merry derry, periwig and hatband, Hic, hac, horum Genetivo!

## 6. Hymn

Words: anonymous
Peter Dyson


1. Blest,blest and hap - py he
god, $\qquad$ Blest,blest and hap - wy
he.
hod,
And he is half a god,_
2. And he is half a
g


3. And hap - py he. god, $\qquad$ And hap - by
4. Is half a god, $\qquad$ Is half a
A.



HYMN
Anon
Blest, blest and happy he Whose eyes behold her face, But blessed more whose ears hath heard The speeches framed with grace.

And he is half a god
That these thy lips may kiss,
Yet god all whole that may enjoy
Thy body as it is.


