The Shepherd's Wooing of Fair Dulcina.



But in vain she did conjure him,
For to leave her Presence so;
Having a thousand means to allure him,
And but one to let him go:
Where Lips invite, and Eyes delight,
And Cheeks as fresh as Rose in *June*,
Perswades to stay, what boot to say,
Forgo me now, come to me soon.

Words whose Hoops have now injoyned, Him to let *Dulcina* sleep; Could a Man's Love be confined, Or a Maid her promise keep? No, for her Wast he held her fast, As she was constant to her Tune; And she speaks, for *Cupid's* sake Forgo me, &c.

He demands what time and leisure,
Can there be more fit than now;
She says Men may say their Pleasure,
Yet I of it do not allow:
The Sun's clear light shineth more bright,
Quoth he, more fairer than the Moon:
For her to praise, she loves, she says,
Forgo me, &c.

But no Promise, nor Profession, From his Hands could Purchase scope; Who would sell the sweet Possession, Of such Beauty for a hope; Or for the sight of lingring Night, Forgo the pleasant Joys of Noon, Tho' none so fair, her Speeches were, Forgo me, &c.

Now at last agreed these Lovers,
She was Fair, and he was Young,
If you'll believe me I will tell you,
True love fixed lasteth long:
He said my dear and only Phear,
Bright Phœbus Beams out-shin'd the Moon;
Dulcina prays, and to him says,
Forgo me now, come to me soon.