

# IT WAS A LOVER AND HIS LASS

William Shakespeare (1564–1616)

Thomas Morley (1557–1602)

1. It was a lov - er and his lass, With a hey, with a ho, and a  
 2. Be - tween the a - cres of the Rye,  
 3. This Ca - rol they be - gan that hour,  
 4. And there - fore take the pres - ent time,

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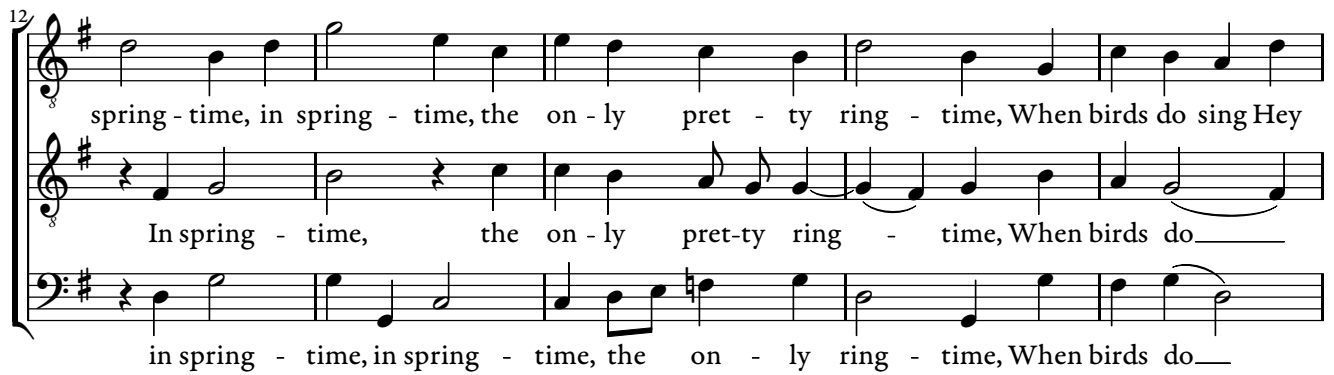
1. It was a lov - er and his lass, With a hey non - ny  
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 3. This Ca - rol they be - gan that hour,  
 4. And there - fore take the pres - ent time,

hey non-ny no, and a hey non-ny non-ny no,\_\_\_\_\_  
 — ho, non-ny no, non-ny non-ny no, with a hey non - ny no,  
 non - ny no, with a hey ho non - ny non - ny no,

— That o'er the green corn-fields did pass, In spring - time, in  
 These pret - ty Coun - try folks would lie,  
 How that a life was but a Flow'r,  
 For love is crown - ed with the prime,

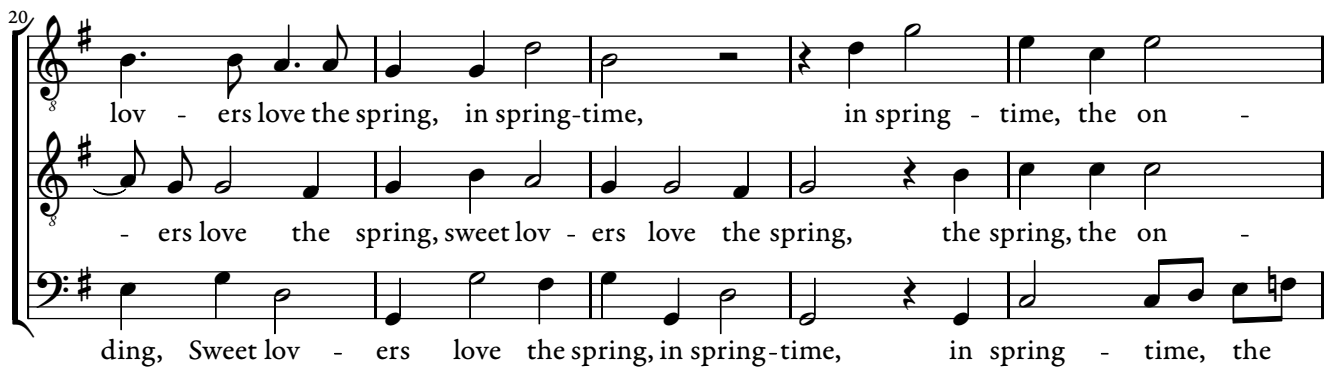
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 For love is crown - ed with the prime, for love is crown - ed with the prime,

That o'er the green fields, the green corn-fields did pass, In spring - time,  
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 How that a life was, a life was but a Flow'r,  
 For love is crown - ed, is crown - ed with the prime,

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 spring - time, in spring - time, the on - ly pret - ty ring - time, When birds do sing Hey  
 In spring - time, the on - ly pret - ty ring - time, When birds do\_\_\_\_  
 in spring - time, in spring - time, the on - ly ring - time, When birds do\_\_

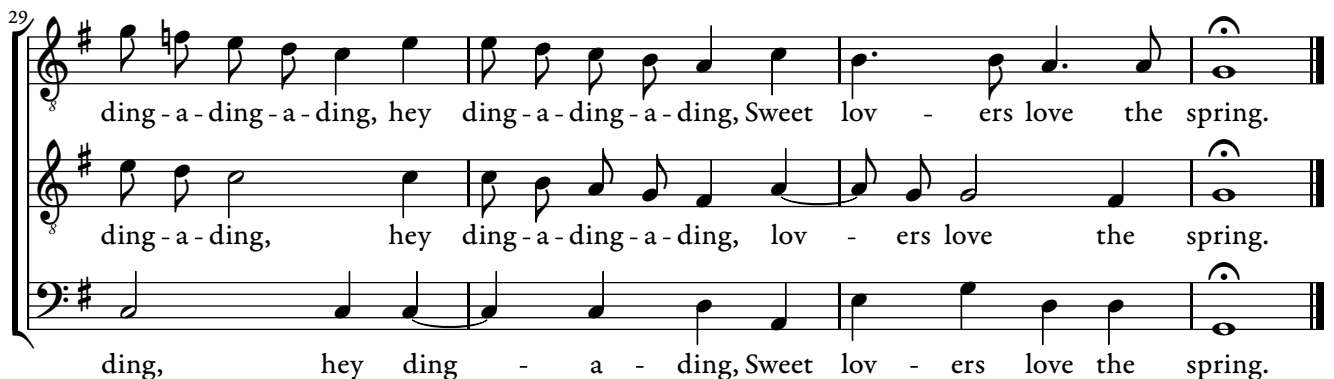
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 ding - a - ding - a - ding, hey ding - a - ding - a - ding, hey ding - a - ding - a - ding, Sweet  
 sing Hey ding - a - ding - a - ding, hey ding - a - ding - a - ding, lov -  
 sing Hey ding - a - ding - a - ding, hey ding - a - ding - a -

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 lov - ers love the spring, in spring-time, in spring - time, the on -  
 - ers love the spring, sweet lov - ers love the spring, the spring, the on -  
 ding, Sweet lov - ers love the spring, in spring-time, in spring - time, the

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 ly pret - ty ring - time, when birds do sing hey ding - a - ding - a - ding, hey  
 ly pret - ty\_\_\_\_ ring-time, when birds do\_\_\_\_ sing hey ding - a -  
 on - ly pret - ty ring - time, when birds do\_\_\_\_ sing Hey ding - a - ding - a -

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 ding - a - ding - a - ding, hey ding - a - ding - a - ding, Sweet lov - ers love the spring.  
 ding - a - ding, hey ding - a - ding - a - ding, lov - ers love the spring.  
 ding, hey ding - a - ding, Sweet lov - ers love the spring.