

IT WAS A LOVER AND HIS LASS

William Shakespeare (1564–1616)

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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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 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
 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,

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

That o'er the green fields, the green corn - fields did pass, In
 These pret - ty Coun - try, these Coun - try folks would lie,
 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, in spring - time, the

did pass, In spring - time, the
would lie, a Flow'r, the prime,

spring - time, in spring - time, in spring -

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on - ly pret - ty ring - time, When birds do sing Hey

on - ly pret - ty ring - time, When birds do

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

sing Hey ding - a - ding - a - ding, hey

sing Hey ding - a - ding - a - ding, hey ding -

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ding - a - ding - a - ding, Sweet lov - ers love the spring, in spring -

ding - a - ding - a - ding, lov - ers love the spring, sweet lov -

- a - ding - a - ding, Sweet lov - ers love the

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time, in spring - time, the on - -
 ers love the spring, the spring, the on - -
 spring, in spring - time, in spring - time, the

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ly pret - ty ring - time, when birds do sing hey
 ly pret - ty ring - time, when birds do
 on - ly pret - ty ring - time, when birds do

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ding - a - ding - a - ding, hey ding - a - ding - a - ding, hey
 sing hey ding - a - ding - a - ding, hey
 sing Hey ding - a - ding - a - ding, hey ding -

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