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# It was a Lover And his Lass

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*Madrigal in three parts  
for SAB choir (a cappella)*

*Thomas Morley – arr. Lyra Harker*

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arr Lyra Harker

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**f**

1. It was a lov - er and his lass with a hey with a ho and a hey, no-nie  
2. Be - tween the ac - res of the rye  
3. This car - ol they be - gan this hour, with a hey, with a ho, and a hey, he-hey, no-nie  
4. Then pret - ty lov - ers take the time,

**p**

no, and a hey! No-nie, no - nie no. 1. That o'er the green corn  
2. These pret - ty coun - try  
3. How that a life was but, life was  
4. For love is crown-ed with, crown-ed

**p sf p**

fields did pass in spring - time, in spring - time, in spring - time, the on - ly pret - ty ring - time when  
fools would lie  
but a flow'r  
with the prime  
but a flow'r, in spring - time, in spring - time, in spring - time, the on - ly pret - ty ring - time when  
with the prime, in  
in spring, in spring, in spring the on - ly pret - ty ring - time when

birds do sing, *f* hey ding a ding a ding, hey ding a ding a ding, hey ding a ding a ding. Sweet *p*  
 birds do sing, *f* ding a ding a ding a ding a ding a ding a ding a ding a ding a ding. Sweet *p*  
 birds do sing, hey, hey, ding a ding a ding, ding a ding a ding, ding a ding, sweet

lov - ers love the spring, *f* in spring - time. *sf* In spring - time, the on - *p*  
 lov - ers love the spring, *f* in spring - time. *p* In spring time, in spring - time, the on -  
 lov - ers love the spring, *f* in spring - time. *p* In spring time, in spring, the on -

ly pret - ty ring - time when birds do sing, *f* hey ding a ding a ding, hey  
 ly pret - ty ring - time when birds do sing, *sf* ding a ding a ding a ding a ding a  
 ly pret - ty ring - time when birds do sing, Hey, hey, ding a ding a

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