

Go, nightly cares

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Go, night- ly cares,
False world, fare- well,

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go, night- ly cares, the e- ne- my to rest;
false world, fare- well, the e- ne- my to rest;

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For- bear, - for- bear a- while - to vex my griev- ing sprite.
Now do, - now do thy worst; - I do not weigh thy spite:

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So long, so long your weight, so long, so long your weight - hath
Free from thy cares, thy cares, free from thy cares, thy cares, - I

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lain up- on my breast, That lo I live, that lo I
live for- e- ver bless'd, En- joy- ing peace, en- joy- ing

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live, that lo I live of life - be-reav- ed quite.
peace, en- joy- ing peace and heav'n- ly true de- light.

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O give me time to draw my wea- ry
De- light, whom woes - nor sor- rows shall a-

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breath, Or let me die, as I de- sire the - death.
mate, 1) Nor fears, nor tears dis- turb her hap- py - state.

1) "amate" = dismay, daunt

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Wel- come, sweet death, wel-
And thus I leave, and

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- come, sweet death, wel- come, sweet death,
- thus I leave, and thus I leave,

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sweet death, wel- - come, O life, no life, a hell, Then
I leave, I - leave thy hopes, thy joys un- true, And

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thus, and thus I bid the world fare- - well.
thus, and thus, vain world, a- gain, a- - dieu.