

Example Interlude

Shakespeare First Folio circa 1620

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First Folio of Shakespeare's plays, Arch. G c.7

<http://firstfolio.bodleian.ox.ac.uk/downloads.html#images>

The. Either to dye the death, or to abiure
For euer the society of men:
Therefore faire Hermia question your desires,
Know of your youth, examine well your blood,
Whether (if you yeeld not to your fathers choice)
You can endure the liverie of a Nunne,
For aye to be in shady Cloister mew'd,
To liue a barren sister all your life,
Chanting faint hymnes to the cold fruitlesse Moone,
Thrice blessed they that master so their blood.

