

# O that the learned poets

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(1583-1625)

Soprano 1 *f* O that the learn - ed po - ets of this

Soprano 2 *f* O that the learn-ed po-ets of this time, this time, O

Tenor 1 *f* O that the learn - ed

Tenor 2 *f* O that the learn-ed po - ets of this time,

Bass *f* O that the learn-ed

Practice

S time, this time, O that the learn-ed, learn-ed po - ets of this time,

T that the learn - ed po - ets, O that the learn-ed po-ets

B po - ets,

the learn - ed po-ets of this time, the learn - ed po - ets of this

po - ets of this time, the learn - ed po - ets of this

Practice

S this time, of this time, of this time

T of this time, the learn - ed po - ets of this time, Who in a love-sick  
O that the learn-ed po-ets of this time, O that the learn-ed po - ets

B time, O that the learn - ed po - ets  
time, O that the learn-ed po-ets of this time, of this

S Who in a love - sick line so well can speak, who  
line so well- can speak, who in a love-sick line, who

T of this time, Who in a love-sick line, who in a love-sick line so  
of this time, Who in a love-sick line so well can

B time, Who in a love-sick

S in a love-sick line so well can speak, who in a

T in a love-sick line so well can speak, so well can speak, who

B well can speak, who in a love-sick line

line, who in a love-sick line so well, so

S love - sick line so well can speak, *mf* Would

T in a love-sick line so well can speak, *mf* Would not con -

B so well can speak, *mf* Would not con -

well can speak, *mf* Would not con - sume good

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S  
not con - sume good wit, con - sume good wit  
sume good wit in hate-ful rhyme, con-sume good wit in hate-ful

T  
sume,  
good wit in hate - ful rhyme, would not con-sume good

B  
wit in hate - ful rhyme,

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S  
in hate-ful rhyme, good wit in hate-ful rhyme, good wit  
rhyme, good wit in hate - ful rhyme, in hate-ful rhyme, But

T  
would not con-sume good wit in hate - ful  
wit, good wit in hate - ful rhyme, good wit in hate-ful rhyme,

B  
good wit in

40 *cresc.*

S in hate - ful rhyme, But with \_\_\_\_\_ deep care \_\_\_\_\_ some bet - ter sub - ject

T with deep care some bet-ter sub- \_\_\_\_\_ ject find, But with \_\_\_\_\_ deep

B rhyme, But with \_\_\_\_\_ deep care some bet-ter sub-

in hate- ful \_\_\_\_\_ rhyme, But with deep care some bet- \_\_\_\_\_ ter

hate - ful rhyme, But with deep care \_\_\_\_\_ some bet - ter sub - ject

45 *f*

S find, some bet- \_\_\_\_\_ ter ject find. *f* For

T care some \_\_\_\_\_ bet- \_\_\_\_\_ ter sub- \_\_\_\_\_ ject find. *f* For if

B ject find, some bet-ter subject find. *f* For if their mu-sic please in earth-

sub - ject find, but with \_\_\_\_\_ deep care some bet - ter sub-

find, some bet - ter sub - ject find,

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S if their mu-sic please in earth- ly things, in earth- ly things, for  
 their mu - sic please,

T ly things, their mu-sic please in earth - ly  
 ject find, *f* For if their mu-sic please in earth - ly things, in earth-

B *f* For if their mu-sic please in earth- ly things, for

S if their mu - sic please in earth - ly, earth - ly things, please  
 for if their mu- sic please in earth - ly things,

T things, for if their mu-sic  
 ly things, in earth-ly things,

B if, for if their mu-sic please in earth - ly things,

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S in earth - ly, — earth - ly things,

T for if their mu-sic please in earth - ly — things, in earth - ly —

B please in earth - ly — things, for if their mu-sic please in earth - ly

for if their mu-sic

for if their mu-sic please in earth - ly —

60 *sostenuto*

S How would it sound if

T things, in earth- — ly things, *sostenuto* How would it

B things, in earth - ly things, How — would it sound if *sostenuto*

please in earth - ly things, — in earth - ly things, How would it sound if *sostenuto*

things, How would — it sound if strung with heaven - ly

S  
strung with heaven-ly strings, how would it sound if strung with  
sound if strung with heaven - ly strings, how would it sound if

T  
strung with heaven-ly, heaven - ly strings, how would it  
strung with heaven-ly strings. if strung with heaven - ly strings,

B  
strings, with heaven - ly strings,

S  
heaven-ly strings, heaven-ly strings?  
strung with heaven-ly strings?

T  
sound if strung with heaven - ly strings?  
if strung with heaven-ly strings?

B  
if strung with heaven - ly strings?