

To W.G. Whittaker

I Saw Three Ships

North Country Traditional Song

From "North Country Ballads"
Collected and edited by
Dr W.G. Whittaker (1874-1944)

Arranged by Arthur Warrell (1882-1939)

Andante moderato

Soprano Alto Tenor Bass

Piano (for rehearsal only)

S. A. T. B.

Pno.

The musical score consists of two systems of music. The first system, starting at measure 1, features four vocal parts: Soprano, Alto, Tenor, and Bass, each with a melodic line. The piano part, labeled '(for rehearsal only)', provides harmonic support. The second system, starting at measure 5, continues the vocal parts with the lyrics 'Christ - mas Day, I saw three ships come sail - ing by, On Christ - mas Day in the'. The piano part continues to provide harmonic support throughout both systems.

9

S. morn - ing. I saw three ships come sail - ing by On Christ - mas Day, on

A. morn - ing. I saw three ships On Christ - mas Day, on

T. morn - ing. I saw three ships, On

B. morn - ing. I saw three ships come sail - - ing by, On

Pno.

13

S. Christ - mas Day, I saw three ships come sail - ing by, On Christ - mas Day in the

A. Christ - mas Day, I saw three ships come sail - ing by, On Christ - mas Day in the

T. Christ - mas Day, I saw three ships come sail - ing by, On Christ - mas Day in the

B. Christ - mas Day, On Christ - mas Day, On Christ - mas Day in the

Pno.

17

S. morn - ing.

A. morn - ing.

T. *mf*
morn - ing. And what was in those ships all three, On Christ - mas Day, on

B. *mf*
morn - ing. And what was in those ships all three, On Christ - mas Day, on

Pno. *mf*

21

S. *mp*
Our Sav - iour Christ and His la - dye, On Christ - mas Day in the

A. *mp*
Our Sav - iour Christ and His la - dye, On Christ - mas Day in the

T. *mp*
Christ - mas Day?

B. *mp*
Christ - mas Day?

Pno. *mp*

25

S. morn - ing.

A. morn - ing.

T. *mf* Pray whith - er sailed those ships all three On Christ - mas Day, on

B. *mf* Pray whith - er sailed those ships all three On Christ - mas

Pno. *mf*

29

S. *mf* Oh, they sailed in to Beth - le-hem On Christ - mas Day in the

A. *mf* in to Beth - le-hem On Christ - mas Day in the

T. Christ - mas Day.

B. Day, on Christ-mas Day.

Pno.

33

S. morn - ing. And all the bells on earth shall ring, And all the bells on

A. morn - ing And all the bells on earth shall ring, And all the bells on

T. And all the bells on earth shall ring, On Christ - mas Day, on

B. And all the bells on earth shall ring, On Christ - mas Day, on

Pno. ff

37

S. earth shall ring, And all the an-gels in heaven shall sing On Christ - mas Day in the

A. earth shall ring, And all the an-gels in heaven shall sing On Christ - mas Day in the

T. Christ - mas Day, And all the an-gels in heaven shall sing On Christ - mas Day in the

B. Christ - mas Day, And all the an-gels in heaven shall sing On Christ - mas Day in the

Pno. ff

41

S. morn - ing. And all the souls shall sing On

A. morn - ing. And all the souls on earth shall sing On

T. morn - ing. And all the souls on earth shall sing On Christ - mas Day, on

B. morn - ing. And all the souls on earth shall sing,

Pno.

45

S. Christ - mas Day, Then let us all re - joice a - gain, On Christ - mas Day in the morn - ing.

A. Christ - mas Day, Then let us all re - joice a - gain, On Christ - mas Day in the morn - ing.

T. Christ - mas Day, Then let us all re - joice a - gain, On Christ - mas Day in the morn - ing.

B. Then let us all re - joice a - gain On Christ - mas Day in the morn - ing.

Pno.