



Shakespeare Songs  
No. 6

Fear no more the  
heat o' the Sun

George A. Macfarren  
(1813-1887)

**Sir George Alexander Macfarren** (1813-1887) was born in London. From early youth, he suffered from poor health and weak eyesight. His eyesight continually deteriorated until he became totally blind in 1860. However, his blindness had little effect on his productivity. Macfarren began to study music when he was fourteen and, at sixteen, entered the Royal Academy of Music. Because of his eyesight, he abandoned performance and concentrated on composition. He later taught at the Academy, eventually becoming a principal. He was also appointed professor of music at Cambridge University in 1875. He was conductor at Covent Garden, London; founder the Handel Society; program note writer for the Philharmonic Society; and editor of *Handel and Purcell*. He wrote 18 operas, 13 oratorios and cantatas, 9 symphonies, and 162 songs. He was active as writer of part-songs, literature for the many amateur choirs appearing throughout the country. He was knighted in 1883 on the same day as Arthur Sullivan and George Grove. His brother Walter Macfarren (1826-1905) was a pianist, composer and professor of the Royal Academy.

Fear no more the heat o' th' sun,  
Nor the furious winter's rages;  
Thou thy worldly task hast done;  
Home art gone and ta'en thy wages.  
Golden lads and girls all must  
As chimney sweepers, come to dust.

Fear no more the frown o' th' great,  
Thou art past the tyrant's stroke.  
Care no more to clothe and eat;  
To thee the reed is as the oak.  
The sceptre, learning, physick, must  
All follow this, and come to dust.

Fear no more the lightning-flash,  
Nor the all-dreaded thunder-stone.  
Fear not slander, censure rash,  
Thou hast finished joy and moan.  
Ah, lovers young, all lovers must  
Consign to thee, and come to dust.

No exorciser harm thee,  
Nor no witchcraft charm thee.  
Ghost unlaid forbear thee!  
Nothing ill come near thee!  
Quiet consummation have,  
And renowned be thy grave!

*Cymbeline*  
William Shakespeare (1564-1616)

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G. A. Macfarren

**Larghetto** ♩ = 60

pp

S1      Fear \_\_\_\_\_ no more, \_\_\_\_\_ fear \_\_\_\_\_ no more, \_\_\_\_\_

S2      Fear \_\_\_\_\_ no more, \_\_\_\_\_ fear \_\_\_\_\_ no more, \_\_\_\_\_

T      ♫ c -      mf  
8      Fear no more the heat o' th' sun, Nor the fu - rious win - ter's

B      ♫ c -      pp  
Fear \_\_\_\_\_ no more, \_\_\_\_\_ fear \_\_\_\_\_ no more, \_\_\_\_\_

5      S1      Thou thy world - ly task hast done; — Home art gone, and ta'en thy

S2      — Thou thy world - ly task hast done; — Home art gone, and ta'en thy

T      ♫ c -      p  
8      ra - ges; Thou thy world - ly task hast done; — Home art — gone, and

B      ♫ c -      p  
— Thou thy world - ly task hast done; — Home art — gone, and

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S1      wa - ges,    home art    gone,    and \_ ta'en    thy    wa - ges,    home art    gone,    and ta'en    thy

S2      wa - ges,    home art    gone,    and    ta'en    thy    wa - ges,    home art    gone,    and \_ ta'en    thy

T      ta'en    thy \_ wa - ges,    gone,    and    ta'en    thy    wa - ges,    home art    gone,    and ta'en    thy  
8

B      ta'en    thy \_ wa - ges,    gone,    and \_ ta'en    thy    wa - ges,    home art    gone,    and \_ ta'en    thy

13

S1      wa - ges.      Gold - en lads and girls all must As

S2      wa - ges.      Gold - en lads and girls all must As

T      wa - ges.      Gold - en lads and girls all must As

B      wa - ges.      Gold - en lads and girls all must As

16

S1      *cresc.*      chim - ny    sweep - ers    come    to    dust,    all    must    come    to    dust.  
S2      *cresc.*      chim - ny    sweep - ers    come    to    dust,    all    must    come    to    dust.  
T      *cresc.*      chim - ny    sweep - ers    come    to    dust,    all    must    come    to    dust.  
B      *cresc.*      chim - ny    sweep - ers    come    to    dust,    all    must    come    to    dust.

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S1      *Fear no more, fear no more,* Care no

S2      *Fear no more, fear no more,* Care no

T      *Fear no more the frown o' th' great, Thou art past the ty - rant's stroke.* Care no

B      *Fear no more, fear no more,* Care no

25

S1 more to clothe and eat; To thee the reed is as the oak, To thee the

S2 more to clothe and eat; To thee the reed is as the oak, To thee the

T more to clothe and eat; To thee the reed is as the oak, the

B more to clothe and eat; To thee the reed is as the oak, the

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S1 reed is as the oak, To thee the reed is as the oak. The

S2 reed is as the oak, To thee the reed is as the oak. The

T reed is as the oak, To thee the reed is as the oak. The

B reed is as the oak, To thee the reed is as the oak. The

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S1      scep - tre, learn - ing, phy - sick, must All fol - low this, and come to dust,

S2      scep - tre, learn - ing, phy - sick, must All fol - low this, and come to dust,

T      scep - tre, learn - ing, phy - sick, must All fol - low this, and come to dust,

B      scep - tre, learn - ing, phy - sick, must All fol - low this, and come to dust,

37

S1      *pp*      all must come to dust.      Fear no more the light - ning - flash, Nor the all - dread - ed

S2      *pp*      all must come to dust.      Fear no more the light - ning - flash, Nor the all - dread - ed

T      *pp*      all must come to dust.      Fear no more the light - ning - ning -

B      *pp*      all must come to dust.      Fear no more the light - ning - flash, Nor the all - dread - ed

41

S1      *thun - der stone, Fear no more the light - ning flash, Nor the all - dread - ed thun - der-stone, Fear not*

S2      *thun - der stone, Fear no more the light - ning flash, Nor the all - dread - ed thun - der-stone, Fear not*

T      *flash, Nor the all - - dread - - ed thun - - der stone, \_\_\_\_\_ Fear not*

B      *thun - der stone, Fear no more the light - ning flash, Nor the all - dread - ed thun - der-stone, Fear not*

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S1 slan - der, cen - sure rash, — Thou hast fi - nish'd joy and moan, thou hast

S2 slan - der, cen - sure rash, Thou hast fi - nish'd joy and moan, thou hast

T slan - der, cen - sure rash, — Thou hast fi - nish'd joy and moan, hast

B slan - der, cen - sure rash, — Thou hast fi - nish'd joy and moan, hast

48

S1 cresc. fi - nish'd joy and moan, Thou hast fi - nish'd joy and moan. Ah,

S2 cresc. fi - nish'd joy and moan, Thou hast fi - nish'd joy and moan. Ah,

T cresc. fi - nish'd joy and moan, Thou hast fi - nish'd joy and moan. Ah,

B cresc. fi - nish'd joy and moan, Thou hast fi - nish'd joy and moan. Ah,

52

S1 > lo - vers young, all lo - vers must Con - sign to thee, and come to dust,

S2 > lo - vers young, all lo - vers must Con - sign to thee, and come to dust,

T > lo - vers young, all lo - vers must Con - sign to thee, and come to dust,

B > lo - vers young, all lo - vers must Con - sign to thee, and come to dust,

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56

S1      All must come to dust.      No ex - or - ci - ser harm thee, No

S2      All must come to dust.      No ex - or - ci - ser harm thee, No

T      All must come to dust.      No ex - or - ci - ser harm thee, No

B      All must come to dust.      No

60

S1      ex - or - ci - ser harm thee,      Nor no witch - craft charm thee, No

S2      ex - or - ci - ser harm thee,      Nor no witch - craft charm thee, No

T      ex - or - ci - ser harm thee,      Nor no witch - craft charm thee, No

B      ex - or - ci - ser harm thee,      No

64

S1      witch - craft charm thee.      Ghost un - laid for - bear thee!

S2      witch - craft charm thee.      Ghost un - laid for - bear thee! Noth - ing

T      witch - craft charm thee.      Ghost un - laid for - bear thee!

B      witch - craft charm thee.      Ghost un - laid for - bear thee! Noth - ing

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S1      Nothing ill come near thee!      Qui - et con - sum - ma - tion have,

S2      ill come near thee!      Qui - et con - sum - ma - tion have,

T      <sup>8</sup> Nothing ill come near thee!      Qui - et con - sum - ma - tion have,

B      ill come near thee!      Qui - et con - sum - ma - tion have,

72

S1

S2      And re - nown - ed be thy grave!      And re - nown - ed be thy grave!

T

B      And re - nown - ed be thy grave!      And re - nown - ed be thy grave!

76

S1      Qui - et con - sum - ma - tion have,      And re -

S2      Qui - et con - sum - ma - tion have,      And re -

T      Qui - et con - sum - ma - tion have,      And re -

B      Qui - et con - sum - ma - tion have,      And re -

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80

S1  
nown - - - ed be thy grave,  
S2  
nown - - - ed be thy grave,  
T  
And re - nown - - ed be thy grave, thy grave,  
B  
nown - - - ed be thy grave,

83

S1  
— thy grave, be thy grave.  
S2  
— thy grave, be thy grave.  
T  
— thy grave, be thy grave.  
B  
— thy grave, be thy grave.

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