

FOR
BASS RECORDER

Melodies of the British Isles

The Seeds of Love
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Bass Recorder & Alto Voice*

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The Seeds of Love

While sitting in the vicarage garden at Hambridge, Somerset in the summer of 1903, Cecil Sharp listened to the gardener John England singing this song to himself as he mowed the lawn. It is the first English folksong Sharp collected.

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I sowed the seeds of Love, And I

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sowed them in the springtime: I gath - ered them up in the morn - ing so soon, while the

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small birds so sweet-ly sing, While the small birds do sweet-ly sing.

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2) My gar - den was plant-ed well With flow-ers eve - ry -

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where: But I had not lib-er-ty to choose for my-self Of the flow'rs that I love so

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dear, Of the flow'rs that I love so dear. 3) The gard'ner was stand-ing

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by; And I asked him to choose for me, He chose for me the Vi - o - let, the

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Li - ly and the Pink, But those I re-fus-éd all three, But those I re - fus-éd all

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three. 4) The Vio - let I did not like, Be -

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cause it bloom'd so soon. The Li - ly and the Pink I real-ly ov - er - think, So I



vow'd I would wait till June, So I vow'd I would wait till June.



5) In June was a red Rose - bud, And that is the flower for me, I



of - times have pluck - éd that red Rose - - bud Till I gain - éd the wil - low



tree, Till I gain - éd the wil - low tree. 6) The wil - low tree will



twist And the wil - low tree will - twine; I of - times have wish - éd I were



in that young man's arms That once had the heart of mine, That once had the heart of



mine.



7) Come, all you false young men, Do not leave me here to com - plain: For the



grass that has of - ten - times been trampled un - der foot, Giv - en time, it will rise up a -



gain, Giv - en time, it will rise up a - gain, For the grass that has of - ten - times been



trampled under foot, Given time, it will rise up a - gain, Given time, it will rise up a - gain.

The Crystal Spring

Somerset ballad collected by Cecil Sharp, 1905

Down by some crystal

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spring, Where the night-in - ga-les sing, Most plea-sant it is, in sea-son, to

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hear the groves ring. Down by the riv - er side, a young cap-tain I es - pied, En -

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treat-ing of his true Love, for to be his bride.

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2) Dear Phyl- lis,- says he, can you fan - cy-

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me? All in your soft bow- ers a crown it shall be: You shall take no

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rit.
pain, I will you main - tain, My ship_ she's a - load - ed, just_ come in from

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Spain. 3) And

46
when-ev-er you may dine, there you shall drink wine; And so sweet - ly in the

51

sea-son then you shall be mine. Like a la - dy so rare, I'll main-tain you so

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fair;— There's no la-dy in the na - vy with you shall com - pare.

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4) There are young men I know, great

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kind - ness will_ show, They'll of - fer_ and_ prof - fer much more than they'll

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do; And when - ev - er they can find a maid - en that is kind,— With

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laugh - ing_ and_ chaff - ing they will change like the wind:

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5) Yet e'er I prove false to my soft lit - tle_ dove May the

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o - ceans turn_ des - er; and el - e - ments move; For wher - ev - er I

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go, I'll be con-stant to thee. My heart is no_ rov - er, Though I

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rove through the sea.

Cold Blows the Wind

(The Unquiet Grave)

*Words and melody given by Mrs. W. Ree of Hambridge, Somerset
collected by Cecil Sharp, 1910*



1) Cold

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blows the wind to my true love, And gently drops the rain,

rit.

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nev-er had- but one sweet-heart, And in green-wood he lies slain, And in

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A tempo

green-wood he lies slain...

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2) I'll do as much for my sweet-heart As a - ny young woman

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may; I'll sit and mourn all on his grave, A

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twelve - month and a day, A twelve - month and a day.

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3) The

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twelve-month and the day was past, The ghost be - gan to speak: What

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make you, sit - ting up - on my grave, And will not let me sleep? And

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will not let me sleep?

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4) What is it that you want of me, And will not let me sleep? Your

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salt - ed tears they trick - le down And wet my wind - ing sheet, And

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wet my wind - ing sheet.

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5) What dost thou want of me, true heart, Of

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me what dost thou crave? "One on - ly kiss from your li - ly-white lips, Then

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I'll go from your grave, Then I'll go from your grave".

poco meno

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6) My lips are cold as clay - sweet heart, My

80 **rit.**

breath_ is earth-y and strong,_ And if you kiss_ my li-ly-white lips Your

84

time_ will not_ be long, Your time_ will not_ be long.

88 **A tempo**

— 7) My

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time be short, my time_ be long, To - - mor - row or_ to - day, May

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Christ in Heaven have all_ my soul- But I'll kiss_ your lips_ of clay, But I'll

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kiss_ your lips_ of clay.—

106

8) When shall we meet a - gain_ sweet-heart? When shall_ we meet_ a -

110 **rit.**

gain? "When the oak - en leaves that fall from the trees Are

113 **rall.**

green- and spring a - gain, Are green- and spring a - gain".-

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Man in the Moon

*from 'Everybody's Song Book or, The Saloon Visitor's Companion'
printed in London: J.T. Wood, circa 1850*

When a bum - per is filled, it is

vex - ing, no doubt, To find when you rise that the wine has run out; And

sure 'tis an eq - ual - ly un - pleas - ant thing To be asked for a song when you've

naught left to sing. I could try some - thing old if an old song would do, But the

world it is cra - ving to have some - thing new, Oh what to se - lect for the

words or the tune, I, in fact, know no more than the Man in the Moon. The

man in the moon a new light on us throws; He's a man we all talk of but

no - bod - y knows And though a high sub - ject I'm get - ting in tune - I'll

just have a turn at the Man in the Moon.

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2) 'Tis said that some peo - ple are moon- struck, we find, But the

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Man in the Moon must be out of his mind. It can't be for love for he's

66

quite on his own, No la - dies to meet him by moon-light a - lone. It can't

72

be am - bi - tion, for riv - als he's none, At least he is on - ly e -

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clipped by the sun, In drink - ing, I fear, he may some-times sur - pass, For he

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al - ways looks best when he's seen through a glass. The man in the

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moon a new light on us throws; He's a man we all talk of but no - bod - y

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knows And though a high sub - ject I'm get - ting in tune - I'll just have a

101 rit. A tempo

turn at the Man in the Moon.

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3) The Man in the Moon he must lead a queer life, With

112


no one a - round him, not ev - en a wife, No friends to con -

117


sole him, no child - ren to kiss, No chance of his join - ing a

122


par - ty like this! But he's used to high life all cir - cles a -

127


gree, That none move in such a high cir - cle as he, Though

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no - bles go up in their roy - al bal - loon, They're not in - tro -

137


duced to the Man in the Moon. The Man in the Moon a new

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light on us throws; He's a man we all talk of but no - bod - y

147


rit.
knows And though a high sub - ject I'm get - ting in

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rall.
tune - I'll just have a turn at the Man in the Moon.