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THE ARGUMENT

THE ARGUMENT, as developed in the Opera (omitting the principal humorous characters and incidents) is that Sir Walter Raleigh is in love with Bessie Throckmorton, one of Queen Elizabeth's Maids of Honour. He writes an acrostic to her, which, being lost, is found by Jill-all-alone, a dweller in the woods, who is suspected of being a witch: she gives it to the Earl of Essex, who, considering Sir Walter Raleigh to be his rival for the hand of Queen Elizabeth, uses it against him by handing it to the Queen. She reads the praises of a certain Bessie, and taking the compliment to herself, is not displeased thereby; when, however, she discovers that the acrostic was intended for her maid (Bessie Throckmorton) she orders Raleigh to be banished and Bessie to be imprisoned. Jill, who has further incensed the Queen by some mocking words, is ordered to be burnt as a witch.

Essex, when he discovers that Raleigh is not his rival, attempts to repair the mischief he has wrought by the following device:—

He arranges that one of the foresters shall impersonate Herne the Hunter and appear in an apparition to the Queen while she is seated in the forest beneath Herne's Oak. According to tradition the appearance of the weird huntsman occurs only when the monarch contemplates a crime. The device succeeds, the Queen relents, and both the lovers and Jill are pardoned.

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CHARACTERS

Bessie Throckmorton	(Maio	l of Hor	our to	the Que	en)	• •	Soprano
"JILL-ALL-ALONE" (a se	uppose	l Witch))				Chinamalan
"JILL-ALL-ALONE" (a se	••	• •	}	••	• •	•••	Contratto
SIR WALTER RALEIGH	• •	• •	• •	••	• •	• •	Tenor
SIR WALTER RALEIGH THE EARL OF ESSEX	• •	• •	••	• •		• •	Baritone
					-		
A TAILOR		• •		••	••	Tenor \	١
A BAKER			••	••	••	Tenor	Members
A Tinker		• • .	• •	• •	1	Baritone	of
(A BUTCHER)						D	Chorus
A TAILOR A BAKER A TINKER A BUTCHER LONG TOM	••	• •	••	••	••	Dass	

Chorus of Lords, Ladies, Townsfolk, Soldiers, &c.

^{*}These parts may be taken by the same Vocalist.

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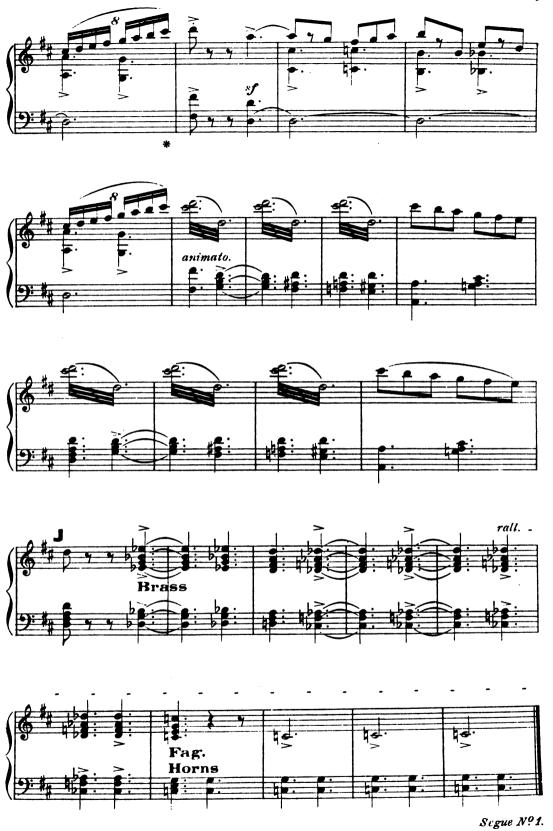
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OPENING CHORUS.





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<u>Nº 2</u>.

SONG.- (Jill) and CHORUS.

"OH! WHERE THE DEER DO LIE!"









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<u>Nº 3.</u>

"THAT EVERY JACK"

(BAND PARTS in B.)













<u>Nº 4.</u>

QUINTET.

"LOVE IS MEANT TO MAKE US GLAD."

(BAND PARTS in F.)











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Nº 5.

BALLAD- (Bessie.)

"SHE HAD A LETTER FROM HER LOVE."

(BAND PARTS in B Minor.)







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<u>Nº 6</u>.

SONG- (Essex) and CHORUS.

"THE YEOMEN OF ENGLAND."















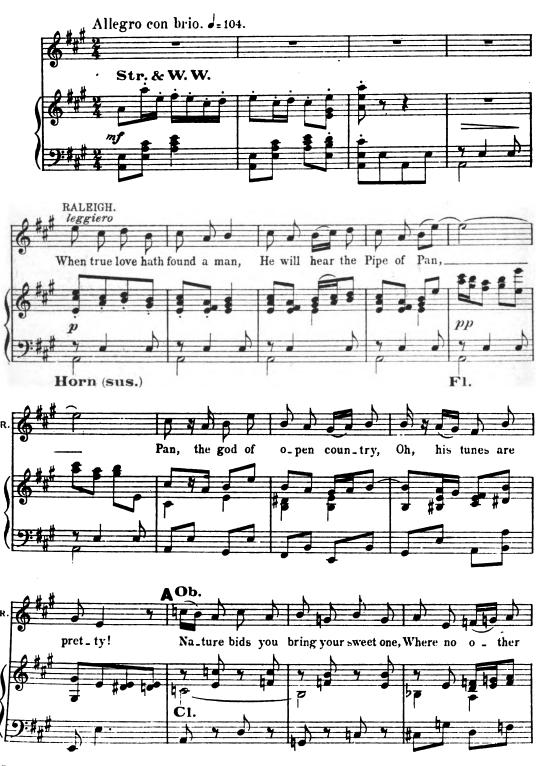






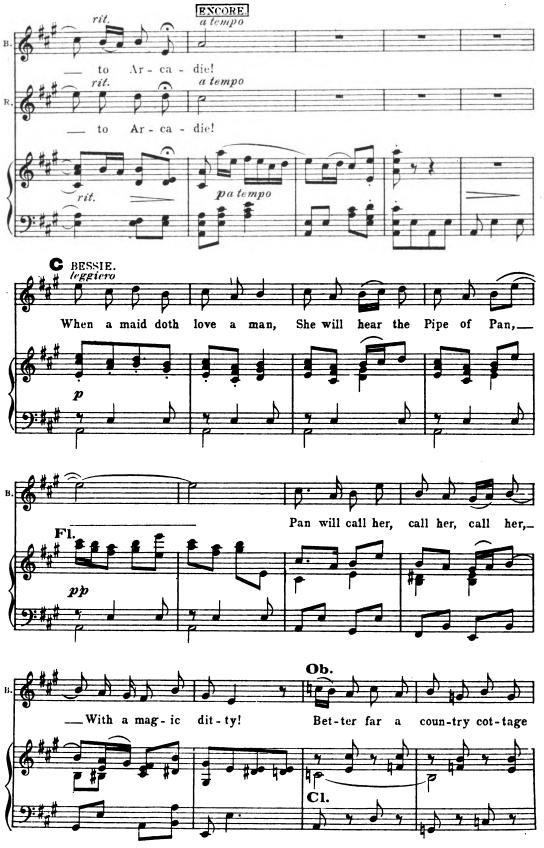
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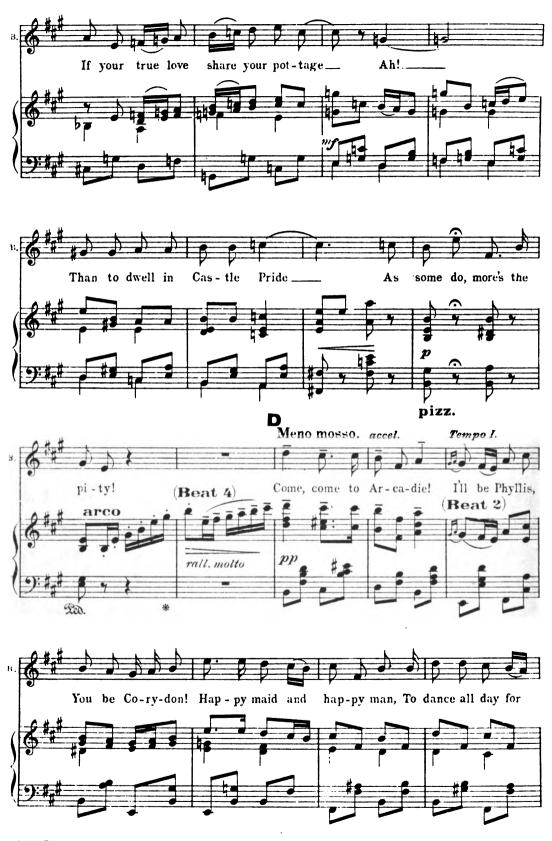
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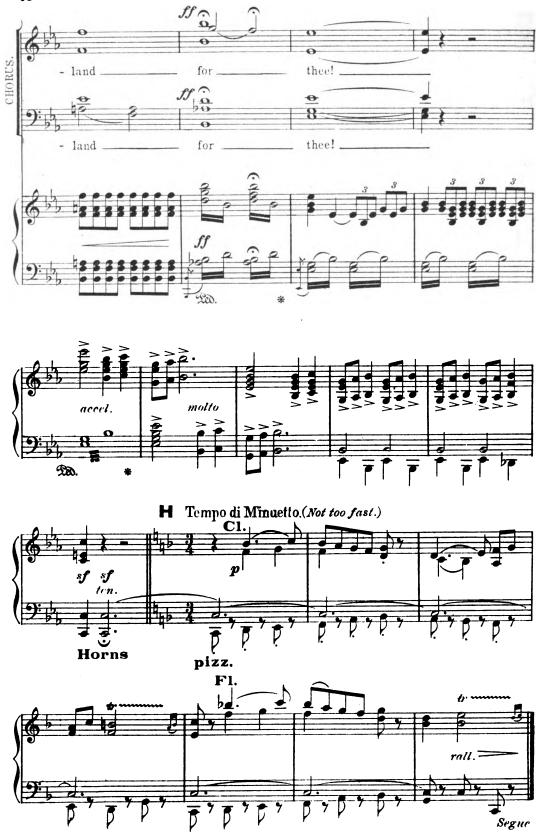












Nº 9. SONG (Elizabeth.) with CHORUS.

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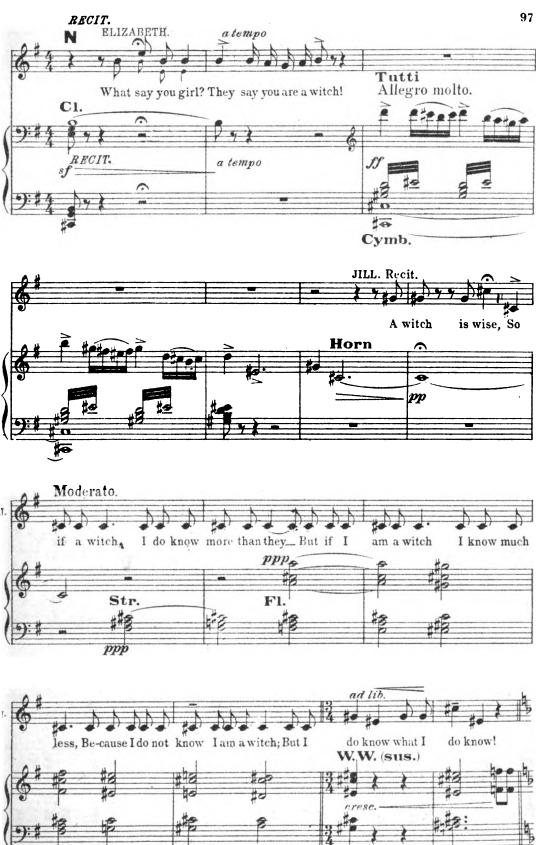


























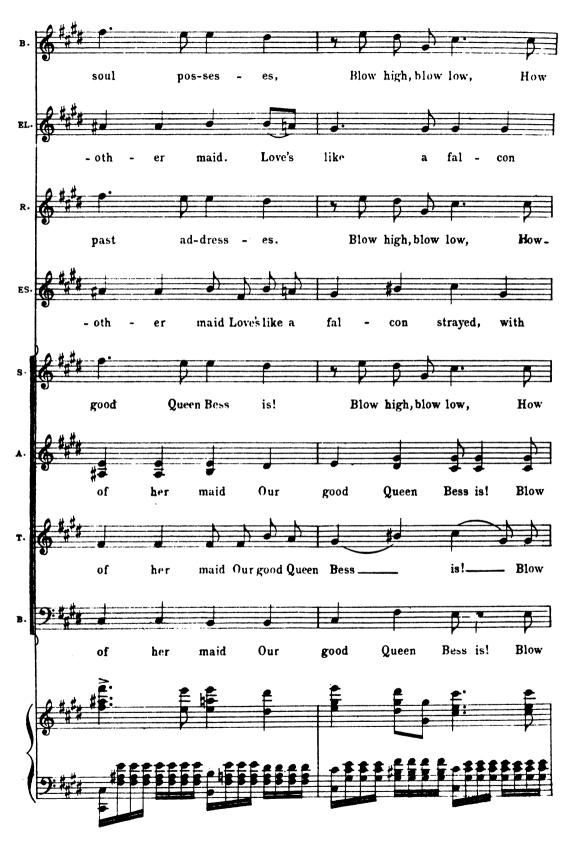


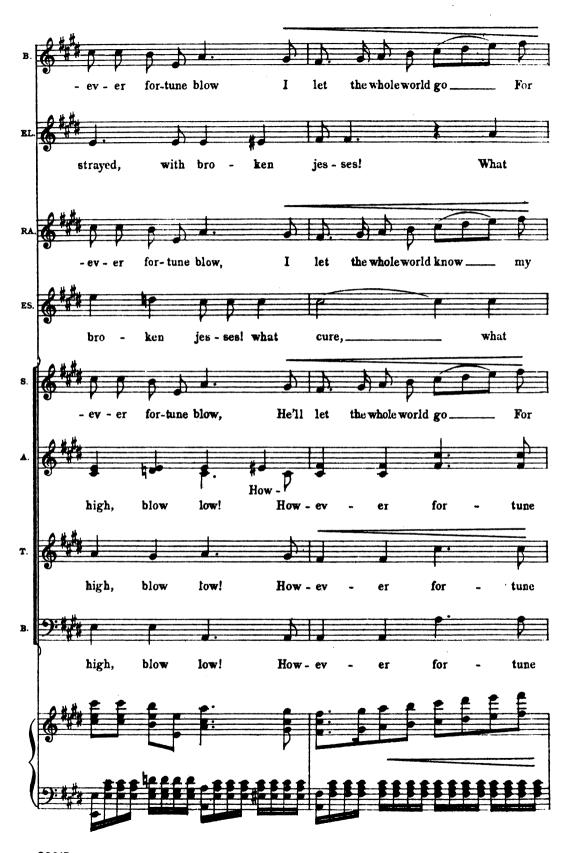






























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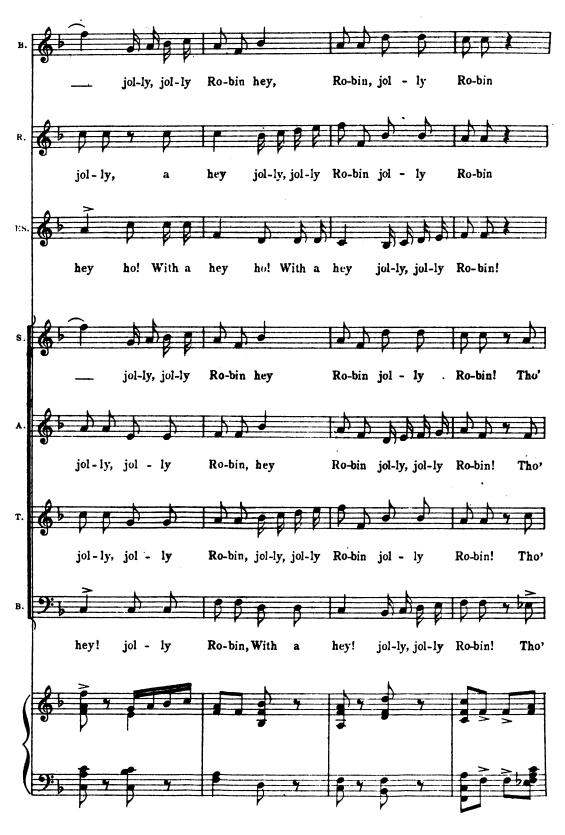


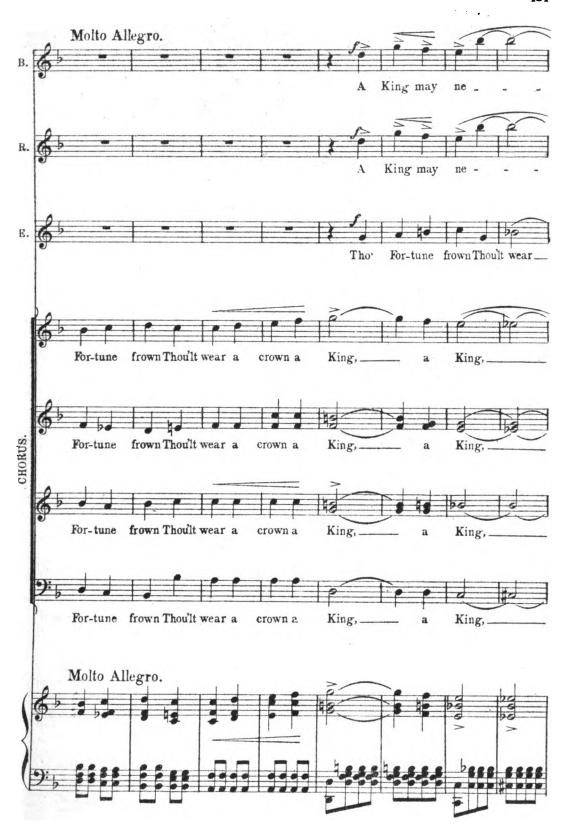
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Act II.

Nº 11. OPENING CHORUS with SOLO.—(Jill.)



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Nº 13. QUARTET-(The Tailor, Baker, Tinker, Butcher) and MALE CHORUS. "THE SUN IN THE HEAVEN."

Note. The Solo parts may be taken by ESSEX.





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Nº 14.

DUET.-(Jill and Raleigh.)

"IT IS THE MERRY MONTH OF MAY"







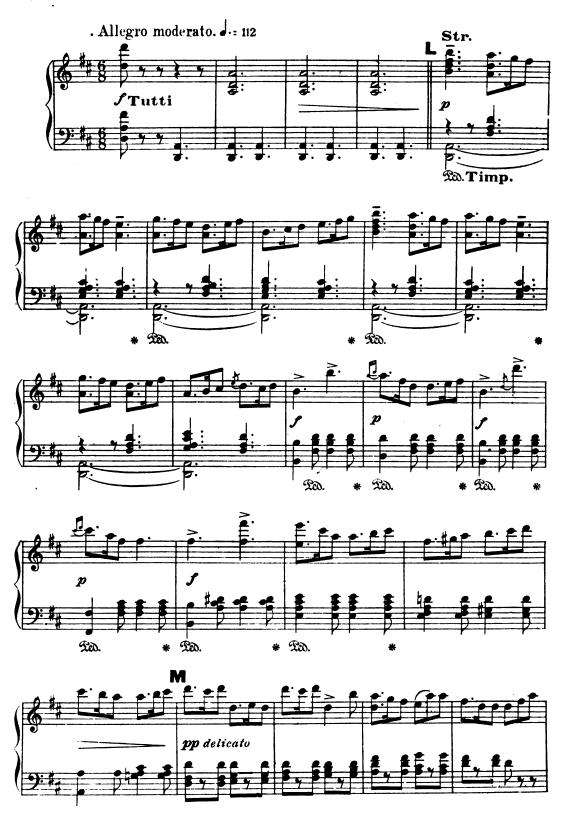






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RUSTIC DANCE and JIG.













<u>Nº 16.</u>

SONG.-(Raleigh.)

"THE ENGLISH ROSE!"





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Nº 17. DUET.—(Essex and Raleigh.) and CHORUS.



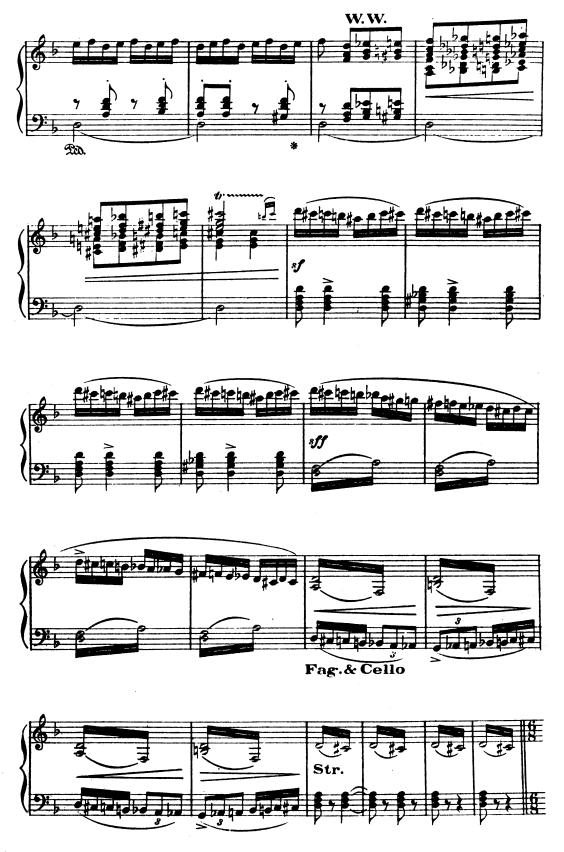






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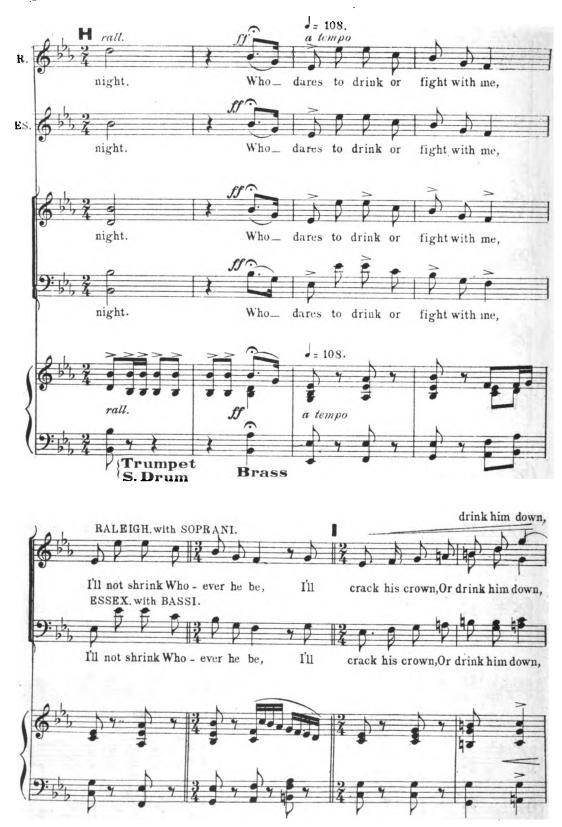


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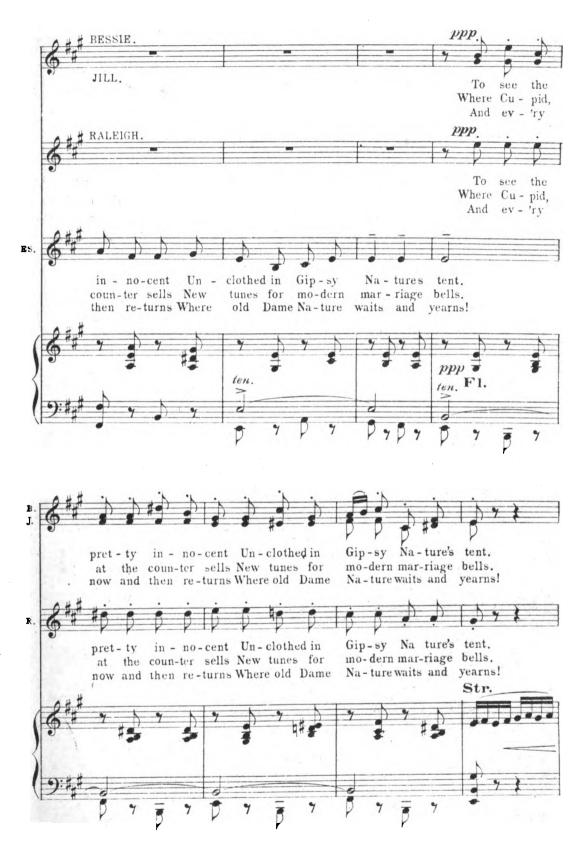
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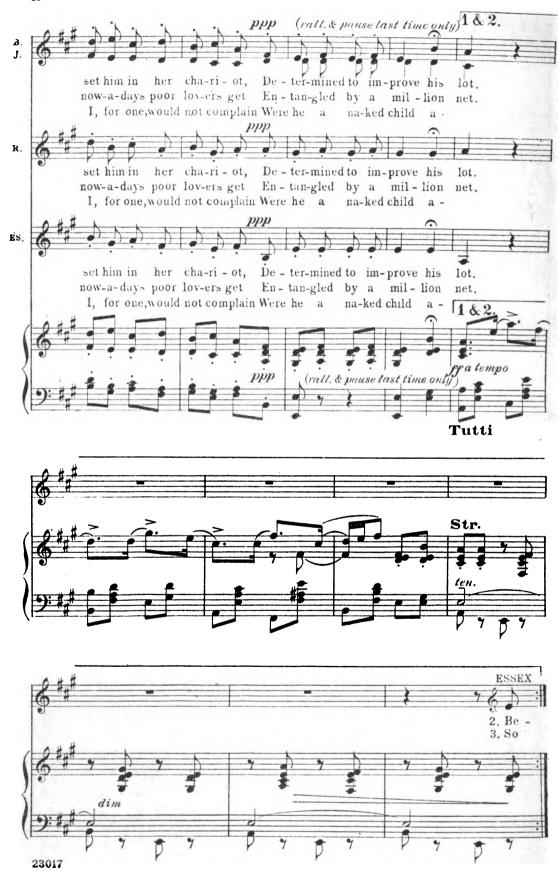


































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