

All Be Merry

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SATB & Piano
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Clif Hardin

f
S So now is— come our
f
A So now is— come our
f
T So now is— come our
f
B So now is— come our

mf

6
joy - ful - est feast, Let ev - 'ry one be jol - ly; — Each room with i - vy leaves is drest, And
joy - ful - est feast, Let ev - 'ry one be jol - ly; — Each room with i - vy leaves is drest, And
joy - ful - est feast, Let ev - 'ry one be jol - ly; — Each room with i - vy leaves is drest, And
joy - ful - est feast, Let ev - 'ry one be jol - ly; — Each room with i - vy leaves is drest, And

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ev - 'ry post with hol - ly. _____ Though some churls at our _____ mirth re - pine,

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Round your fore - heads gar - lands twine; _____ Drown sor - row in a

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cup of wine, And let us all be mer-ry, — And let us all be
 cup of wine, And let us all be mer-ry, — And let us all be
 cup of wine, And let us all be mer-ry, — And let us all be
 cup of wine, And let us all be mer-ry, — And let us all be

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mer-ry. — mer-ry. — mer-ry. — Now ev-e-ry lad is
 mer-ry. — mer-ry. — mer-ry. — Now ev-e-ry lad is
 mer-ry. — mer-ry. — mer-ry. — Now ev-e-ry lad is
 mer-ry. — mer-ry. — mer-ry. — Now ev-e-ry lad is

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won-der-ous trim And no man minds his la-bor;— Our las-ses have pro-vid-ed them A

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f Young men and maids, and girls and boys, Give life to one a-

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bag-pipe and a ta-bor;— Young men and maids, and girls and boys, Give life to one a-

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noth - er's joys; _____ And you a - non shall by their noise _____ Per -

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ceive that they are mer - ry, _____ Per - ceive that they are mer - ry. _____

ceive that they are mer - ry, _____ Per - ceive that they are mer - ry. _____

ceive that they are mer - ry, _____ Per - ceive that they are mer - ry. _____

ceive that they are mer - ry, _____ Per - ceive that they are mer - ry. _____

48

f marcato

Ned Swash hath fetch'd his bands from pawn, And

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52

all his best ap - pa - rel; Brisk Nell hath bought a ruff of lawn With

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56

mf espress.

And those that hard - ly all the year Had bread to eat or

mf espress.

And those that hard - ly all the year Had bread to eat or

drop - pings of the bar - rel; —

drop - pings of the bar - rel; —

mp legato e espressivo

61

rag - s to_ wear, Will have both clothes and daint - y fare, And all the day be mer - ry —

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The

The

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meno mosso *poco rit.* *a tempo* *poco rit.*

cli - ent now his suit for-bears, The pris - 'ner's heart is eased; The debt - or drinks a -

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choral recitative *poco accel.*

Though oth - er purs - es be more fat, Why

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a tempo

way his cares, And for the time is pleased. Though oth - er purs - es be more fat, Why

way his cares, And for the time is pleased. Though oth - er purs - es be more fat, Why

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poco rall.

freely

should we pine or grieve at that? Hang sor-row! Care will kill a cat,

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Primo tempo

f

And there - fore let's be mer - ry.

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And there - fore let's be mer - ry.

mf

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The wench - es_ with their was - sail_ bowls A - bout the streets are

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mp

90

sing - ing, — Our_

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The boys are come to catch the owls, The wild mare in is bring - ing_ Our

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mf

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kitch - en boy hath broke his_ box, And to the deal - ing of the ox Our

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cresc.

100

hon - est neigh - bors come by flocks_ And here they will be mer - ry._

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cresc.

— Then where - fore in these mer - ry days Should we, I pray, be dull - er? — No,

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cresc.

— Then where - fore in these mer - ry days Should we, I pray, be dull - er? — No,

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ff

let us make some round - e - lays To make our mirth the full - er. — And as we are in -

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ff

let us make some round - e - lays To make our mirth the full - er. — And as we are in -

ff

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spired to sing, the streets in ech - oes ring! _____ and ring! _____

spired to sing, the streets in ech - oes ring! _____ and ring! _____

spired to sing, the streets in ech - oes ring! _____ and ring! _____

spired to sing, the streets in ech - oes ring! _____ and ring! _____

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and woods and hills — e - ve - ry thing, Bear wit - ness we are mer - ry, and

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and woods and hills — e - ve - ry thing, Bear wit - ness we are mer - ry, and

and woods and hills — e - ve - ry thing, Bear wit - ness we are mer - ry, and

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woods and hills and e-ve-ry-thing shall know that we are mer-ry, we are

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woods and hills and e-ve-ry-thing shall know that we are mer-ry, we are

woods and hills and e-ve-ry-thing shall know that we are mer-ry, we are

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mer-ry, Mer-ry! A - - - ya!

mer-ry, Mer-ry! A - - - ya!

mer-ry, Mer-ry! A - - - ya!

mer-ry, Mer-ry! A - - - ya!