My love hath wou'd

Ayre for Lute, Bass Viol and Voice by master Thomas Campion (1567 - 1620)



My loue hath vow'd

My loue hath vowd hee will forsake mee, And I am alreadie sped. Far other promise he did make me, When he had my maiden head. If such danger be in playing, And sport must to earnest turne, I will go no more a maying.

Had I foreseene what is ensued,
And what now with paine I proue,
Vnhappie then I had eschewed,
This vnkind euent of loue,
Maides foreknow their owne vndooing,
But feare naught till all is done,
When a man alone is wooing.

Dissembling wretch to gaine thy pleasure, What didst thou not vow and sweare? So didst thou rob me of the treasure, Which so long I held so deare, Now thou prou'st to me a stranger, Such is the vile guise of men, When a woman is in danger.

That hart is neerest to misfortune,
That will trust a fained toong,
When flattring men our loues importune,
They entend vs deepest wrong,
If this shame of loues betraying,
But this once I cleanly shun,
I will go no more a maying.