



The chase

Edward German
(1862–1936)

Allegro con spirito

S A - wake! the gold - en morn is here, The sun - rays bright - ly stream - ing, A -

A A - wake! the gold - en morn is here, The sun - rays bright - ly stream - ing, A -

T A - wake! the gold - en morn is here, The sun - rays bright - ly stream - ing, The

B A - wake! the gold - en morn is here, The sun - rays bright - ly stream - ing, The

Piano Allegro con spirito

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S wake! The time is o'er for dream - ing! The

A wake! The time is o'er for dream - ing! The

T horns re - ech - o far and near, far and near! And time is o'er for

B horns re - ech - o far and near, far and near! And time is o'er for

Pno.

S time is o'er for dream - ing! Up - on the sward the gal - lant steeds Im -

A time is o'er for dream - ing! Up - on the sward the gal - lant steeds Im -

T dream - ing, for dream - ing! Up - on the sward the gal - lant steeds Im -

B dream - ing, for dream - ing! Up - on the sward the gal - lant steeds Im -

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S pa - tient - ly are neigh - ing! They yearn to press the spread - ing meads, And

A pa - tient - ly are neigh - ing! They yearn to press the spread - ing meads, And

T pa - tient - ly are neigh - ing! They yearn to press the spread - ing meads, And

B pa - tient - ly are neigh - ing! They yearn to press the spread - ing meads, And

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S loud the hounds _____ are bay - - - ing!

A loud the hounds are bay - - - ing!

T loud the hounds are bay - - - ing! A -

B loud the hounds are bay - - - ing! A -

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Soprano (S) vocal line:

A - wake! the gold - en morn is here. A -

Alto (A) vocal line:

A - wake! the gold - en morn is here, is here. A -

Tenor (T) vocal line:

wake! the gold - en morn is here, The sun - rays bright - ly stream - ing. A -

Bass (B) vocal line:

wake! A -

Piano (Pno.) accompaniment:

rall. *mf*

25 *a tempo*

Soprano (S) vocal line:

wake! A - wake! the quar - ry waits, The horns_ are blithe - ly sound - ing; The

Alto (A) vocal line:

wake! A - wake! the quar - ry waits, The horns are blithe - ly sound - ing; The

Tenor (T) vocal line:

wake! A - wake! the quar - ry waits, The horns are blithe - ly sound - ing; The

Bass (B) vocal line:

wake! A - wake! the quar - ry waits, The horns are blithe - ly sound - ing; The

Piano (Pno.) accompaniment:

a tempo

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S 29 hounds and steeds a - cross the meads Would now be swift - ly bound - ing. A -

A hounds and steeds a - cross the meads Would now be swift - ly bound - ing.

T 8 hounds and steeds a - cross the meads Would now be swift - ly bound - ing. A -

B hounds and steeds a - cross the meads Would now be swift - ly bound - ing.

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S 33 wake! _____ A - wake! _____ The

A The horns are sound - ing, the horns are sound - ing! The

T 8 wake! _____ A - wake! _____ The

B The horns are sound - ing, the horns are sound - ing! The

Pno. {

The chase

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S hounds and steeds a - cross the meads Would now be bound -

A hounds and steeds a - cross the meads Would now be swift - ly bound -

T hounds and steeds a - cross the meads Would now be swift - ly bound -

B hounds and steeds a - cross the meads Would now be bound -

Pno.

Ric. *

41

S ing. A - wake! the quar - ry waits, The horns are blithe - ly sound - ing! A -

A ing. A - wake! the quar - ry waits, The horns are blithe - ly sound - ing! A -

T ing. A - wake! the quar - ry waits, The horns are blithe - ly sound - ing! A -

B ing. A - wake! the quar - ry waits, The horns are blithe - ly sound - ing! A -

Pno.

Ric. *

The chase

7

45

S wake! A - wake! A - wake!

A wake! A - wake! A - wake!

T 8 wake! A - wake! A - wake!

B wake! A - wake! A - wake!

Pno.

Re. * Re. *

S Be - hold! the an - tler'd quar - ry roves A - mid the bush and brack - en, Be -

A Be - hold! the an - tler'd quar - ry roves A - mid the bush and brack - en, Be -

T 8 Be - hold! the an - tler'd quar - ry roves A - mid the bush and brack - en, And

B Be - hold! the an - tler'd quar - ry roves A - mid the bush and brack - en, And

Pno. *p* f

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S 52

hold! His rein should nev - er slack - en! His

A

hold! His rein should nev - er slack - en! His

T 8

till the hun - ter vic - tor proves, vic - tor proves, His rein should nev - er

B

till the hun - ter vic - tor proves, vic - tor proves, His rein should nev - er

Pno.

S 56

rein should nev - er slack - en! So come and join the stur - dy chase O'er

A

rein should nev - er slack - en! So come and join the stur - dy chase O'er

T 8

slack - en, nev - er slack - en! So come and join the stur - dy chase O'er

B

slack - en, nev - er slack - en! So come and join the stur - dy chase O'er

Pno.

The chase

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60

S ev - 'ry hill and hol - low; Not lag - ging, but at light - ning pace, The

A ev - 'ry hill and hol - low; Not lag - ging, but at light - ning pace, The

T ev - 'ry hill and hol - low; Not lag - ging, but at light - ning pace, The

B ev - 'ry hill and hol - low; Not lag - ging, but at light - ning pace, The

Pno.

64

S nim - ble deer _____ we'll fol - - - low._____

A nim - ble deer we'll fol - - - low._____

T nim - ble deer we'll fol - - - low._____ Be -

B nim - ble deer we'll fol - - - low._____ Be -

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Soprano (S): Be - hold! the an - tler'd quar - ry roves! A -
 Alto (A): Be - hold! the an - tler'd quar - ry roves! be - hold! A -
 Tenor (T): hold! the an - tler'd quar - ry roves A - mid the bush and brack - en! A -
 Bass (B): hold! A -

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72 *a tempo*

Soprano (S): wake! A - wake! the quar - ry waits, The horns are blithe - ly sound - ing; The
 Alto (A): wake! A - wake! the quar - ry waits, The horns are blithe - ly sound - ing; The
 Tenor (T): wake! A - wake! the quar - ry waits, The horns are blithe - ly sound - ing; The
 Bass (B): wake! A - wake! the quar - ry waits, The horns are blithe - ly sound - ing; The

a tempo

a tempo

a tempo

72 *a tempo*

The chase

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76

S hounds and steeds a - cross the meads Would now be swift - ly bound - ing. A -

A hounds and steeds a - cross the meads Would now be swift - ly bound - ing.

T hounds and steeds a - cross the meads Would now be swift - ly bound - ing. A -

B hounds and steeds a - cross the meads Would now be swift - ly bound - ing.

Pno.

80

S wake! _____ A - wake! _____ The

A The horns are sound - ing! The horns are sound - ing! The

T wake! _____ A - wake! _____ The

B The horns are sound - ing! The horns are sound - ing! The

Pno.

The chase

84

S hounds and steeds a - cross the meads Would now be bound -

A hounds and steeds a - cross the meads Would now be swift - ly bound -

T hounds and steeds a - cross the meads Would now be swift - ly bound -

B hounds and steeds a - cross the meads Would now be bound -

Pno.

R&D *

88

S ing. A - wake! the quar - ry waits, The horns are blithe - ly sound - ing! The

A ing. A - wake! the quar - ry waits, The horns are blithe - ly sound - ing,

T ing. A - wake! the quar - ry waits, The horns are blithe - ly sound - ing,

B ing. A - wake! the quar - ry waits, The horns are blithe - ly sound - ing! The

Pno.

p *R&D* *

The chase

13

92

S hounds and steeds a - cross the meads Would now be swift - ly bound - -

A sound - ing! The hounds and steeds a - cross the meads Would now be bound -

T sound - ing! The hounds and steeds a - cross the meads Would now be swift - ly

B hounds and steeds a - cross the meads Would now be swift - ly

Pno.

96

S ing. Ah! _____

A ing, would now be swift - ly bound - ing, swift - ly

T bound - ing, would now be swift - ly bound - ing, would

B bound - ing, would now be swift - ly bound - ing, would

Pno.

The chase

99

S The steeds a - cross the meads Would

A bound - - - ing, The hounds and steeds a - cross the meads Would

T now_ be swift - ly bound - ing, The hounds and steeds a - cross the meads Would

B now_ be swift - ly bound - ing, The hounds and steeds a - cross the meads Would

Pno. ff

Reo. *

103

S now be bound - - - ing. A - wake! the quar - ry waits, A -

A now be swift - ly bound - - - ing. A - wake! the quar - ry waits, A -

T now be swift - ly bound - - - ing. A - wake! the quar - ry waits, A -

B now be bound - - - ing. A - wake! the quar - ry waits, A -

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Musical score for 'The chase' by Sir Edward German. The score consists of five staves: Soprano (S), Alto (A), Tenor (T), Bass (B), and Piano (Pno.). The key signature is G major (two sharps). The tempo is marked '107'. The vocal parts sing the lyrics 'wake! A - wake!' in a repeating pattern. The piano part provides harmonic support with chords and rhythmic patterns.

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Sir Edward German (1862-1936) was born Edward German Jones, son of a church organist of Welsh descent. At age five, he began learning the organ and piano from his father. He taught himself the violin, led the town orchestra, and began to compose music. He entered the Royal Academy of Music at age eighteen, where he changed his name to avoid confusion with another student named Edward Jones. German began to build a career as a composer in the mid-1880s, writing serious music as well as light opera. In 1888, he became music director of Globe Theatre in London, providing incidental music for many of its productions and those of other London theatres. His output included symphonies, orchestral suites, symphonic poems and a substantial amount of songs and piano music. After the death of Sir Arthur Sullivan in 1900, German completed Sullivan's score for the operetta *The Emerald Isle*, and soon after, seemed established as the successor to Sullivan. Some failures eventually caused him to abandon his career as a composer. From 1911 onward, he prepared the scores of his works for publication and conducted concerts. He was knighted in 1928, and he received a medal from the Royal Philharmonic Society in 1934.

Awake! the golden morn is here,
The sun-rays brightly streaming,
The horns re-echo far and near!
And time is o'er for dreaming!
Upon the sward the gallant steeds
impatiently are neighing!
They yearn to press the spreading meads,
And loud the hounds are baying!

*Awake! awake! the quarry waits,
The horns are blithely sounding:
The hounds and steeds across the meads
Would now be swiftly bounding.*

Behold! the antler'd quarry roves
Amid the bush and bracken,
And till the hunter victor proves,
His rein should never slacken.
So come and join the sturdy chase
O'er ev'ry hill and hollow;
Not lagging, but at lightning pace,
The nimble deer we'll follow.

Edward Oxenford

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