# In fields abroad

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o - ver - spread the ground, and friends to foes, are

do o - ver - spread the ground, and friends to foes, to_____ foes, are

do o - ver - spread the ground, and_____ friends to foes, are com-mon

-spread the_____ ground, and friends to foes, to foes,_____ are com-mon_____

o - ver - spread the ground: and friends to foes, are

com - mon but - chers' blocks, a gal-lant shot,

com - mon_____ but - chers' blocks, a gal-lant shot, *a gal - lant_____*

but - chers' blocks, but - chers' blocks, *but - chers' blocks.* A gal-lant shot, *a gal-lant_____*

_____ but - chers' blocks. A gal-lant shot, *a gal-lant shot,* a gal - lant

com - mon but - chers' blocks, but - chers' blocks. A gal-lant

*a gal-lant shot,* well man-ag-ing his piece, in my con-

_____ *shot,* well man - ag-ing his piece,_____ in my con-ceit, *in my con -*

*shot,* well man - ag-ing his piece, *well man - ag-ing his piece,* in

shot well man - ag-ing his piece, well man-ag-ing his piece, in my con-ceit,

shot, a gal-lant shot, well man - ag-ing his piece, in my con -

System 1 (measures 20–24):
- -ceit, *in my con-ceit,* de-serves a gol - den fleece,
- -ceit, in my con-ceit, de - - serves a gol - den___ fleece,___
- my con-ceit, con - ceit, de - serves a gol - den fleece, a gol - den fleece, de-serves a
- *in my con-ceit,* con - ceit, de - serves, de - serves a gol-den___ fleece,
- -ceit, de - - serves a gol - den fleece, de -

System 2:
- de - serves a gol - den fleece.___
- ___ de - serves a gol - - - den fleece. A gal - lant
- gol - den fleece, de - serves a gol - den___ fleece, a gol - den fleece. A
- de - serves a gol - den fleece, a gol - den fleece. A gal - lant shot, *a gal - lant*
- -serves a gol - den fleece, a gol - den fleece, a gol - den

System 3 (measures 25–):
- a gal - lant shot, *a gal-lant shot,* well man-ag-ing his
- shot, *a gal - lant___ shot,* well man - ag-ing his piece,___
- gal-lant shot, *a gal - lant___ shot,* well man - ag-ing his piece, *well*
- *shot,* a gal - lant shot, well man - ag-ing his piece, well man-ag - ing his
- fleece. A gal - lant shot, *a gal-lant shot,* well man - ag - ing his
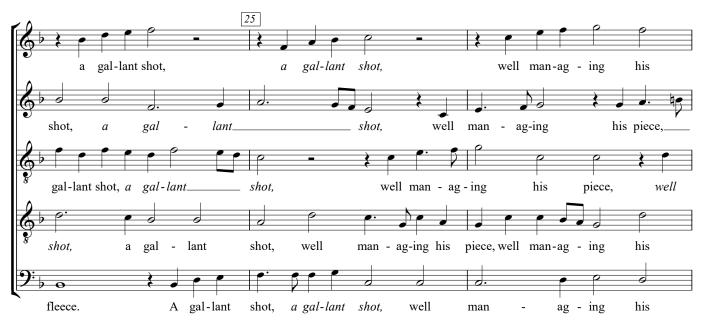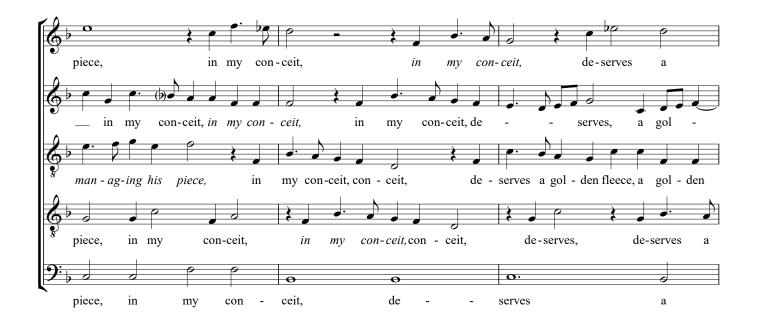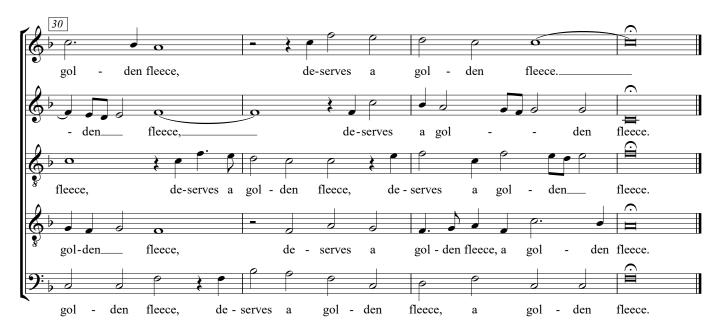
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Source: William Byrd, *Psalmes, Sonets, & songs of sadnes and pietie* (London, 1588), no.22.

1. In fields abroad, wher Trumpets shrill do sound,
   wher glaves & shields, do give & take the knocks,
   wher bodies dead, doe overspred the ground:
   & friends to foes, are common butchers blocks,
   A gallant shot well managing his peece
   in my conceit deserves a golden fleece.

2. Amid the seas, a gallant ship set out,
   where in nor men nor yet munitions lacks,
   in greatest winds that spareth not a clout,
   but cuts the waves in spight of wethers wracks,
   would force a swain that comes of cowards kinde,
   to change him selfe and be of noble minde.

3. Who makes his seat a stately stamping stead,
   whose neighes & playes are princely to behold,
   whose courage stout, whose eyes are fiery red,
   whose joints well knit, whose harnes all of gold,
   doth well deserve to be no meaner thing
   then Percian knight whose horse made him a king.

4. By that bedside where sits a gallant Dame,
   who casteth of her brave and rich attire,
   whose petecote sets forth as faire a frame,
   as mortall men or gods can well desire,
   who sits and sees her petecote unlast,
   I say no more, the rest are all disgrast.