



Whether kiss'd
by sunbeams

John L. Hatton
(1809-1886)

John Liptrot Hatton (1809-1886) was born in Liverpool. He received a rudimentary music education as a child, but was essentially a self-taught musician. He held several appointments as organist in Liverpool and appeared as an actor on the Liverpool stage. He relocated to London in 1832 as a member of Macready's company at Drury Lane and began to establish himself as a composer. His first operetta, "Queen of the Thames", was successful in 1844; he then went to Vienna and brought out his opera "Pascal Bruno." He wrote several songs on his return to England and appeared at the Hereford festival as a singer. He also undertook piano concert tours at this time. From 1848 to 1850 he was in America, giving public and private concerts in New York City. Notably, in 1848, he shared the stage in Pittsburgh, PA with Stephen C. Foster. Returning to England, he became conductor of the Glee and Madrigal Union and director of music at the Princess's Theatre, London. He wrote operas, cantatas, incidental music, anthems, cathedral pieces, and many songs. His part-songs were regarded as some of the best of the genre. Hatton's daughter, Frances J. Hatton, emigrated to Canada in 1869, where she became a respected composer and the singing instructor at the Hellmuth Ladies College in London, Ontario.

The bright blue waves are dancing
Beneath the smiling sky;
And o'er the waters glancing,
The seabirds soaring high!

Oh! mark the billows leaping
To greet the smiling shore,
Then backward wildly sweeping
Unto the main once more!

But whether kissed by sunbeams,
Or lashed by stormy wind;
Still on the free, the foaming sea,
A joyous home we find!

The dark wild waves are roaring
Beneath the frowning sky;
And o'er the waters soaring,
The storm-king floats on high!

O mark the billows leaping,
In thunder on the shore;
Then backward wildly sweeping,
With hoarse and angry roar!

But whether kissed by sunbeams,
Or lashed by stormy wind;
Still on the free, the foaming sea,
A joyous home we find!

B. S. Montgomery

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Allegro ♩ = 88

S *mf* The bright blue waves are danc - ing Be - neath the smil - ing sky; And

A *mf* The bright blue waves are danc - ing Be - neath the smil - ing sky; And

T *mf* The bright blue waves are danc - ing Be - neath the smil - ing sky; And

B *mf* The bright blue waves are danc - ing Be - neath the smil - ing sky; And

5 S *f* o'er the wa - ters glanc - ing, The sea - birds soar - ing high! Oh! —

A *f* o'er the wa - ters glanc - ing, The sea - birds soar - ing high! Oh!

T *f* o'er the wa - ters glanc - ing, The sea - birds soar - ing high! Oh! —

B *f* o'er the wa - ters glanc - ing, The sea - birds soar - ing high! Oh! mark the

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S mark the bil - lows leap - ing To greet the smil - ing shore, Then

A mark the bil - lows leap - ing To greet the smil - ing shore, _____ Then

T mark the bil - lows leap - ing To greet the smil - ing shore, _____ Then

B bil - lows leap - ing, leap - ing To greet the smil - ing shore, Then

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S back - ward wild - ly sweep - ing Un - to the main once more, wild - ly

A back - ward wild - ly sweep - ing Un - to the main once more, wild - ly

T back - ward wild - ly sweep - ing Un - to the main once more, wild - ly

B back - ward wild - ly sweep - ing Un - to the main once more, wild - ly

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S sweep - ing, Un - to the main once more! But wheth - er kiss'd by

A sweep - ing, Un - to the main once more! But wheth - er kiss'd by

T sweep - ing, Un - to the main once more! But wheth - er kiss'd by

B sweep - ing, Un - to the main once more! But wheth - er kiss'd by

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S sun - beams, Or lash'd by storm - y wind; Still on the free, the

A sun - beams, Or lash'd by storm - y wind; Still on the free, the

T sun - beams, Or lash'd by storm - y wind; Still on the free, the

B sun - beams, Or lash'd by storm - y wind; Still on the free, the

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S foam - ing sea, A joy - ous home we find, A joy - ous home we find!

A foam - ing sea, A joy - ous home we find, A joy - ous home we find!

T foam - ing sea, A joy - ous home we find, A joy - ous home we find!

B foam - ing sea, A joy - ous home we find, A joy - ous home we find!

S The dark wild waves are roar - ing Be - neath the frown - ing sky; And

A The dark wild waves are roar - ing Be - neath the frown - ing sky; And

T The dark wild waves are roar - ing Be - neath the frown - ing sky; And

B The dark wild waves are roar - ing Be - neath the frown - ing sky; And

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S o'er the wa - ters soar - ing, The storm - king floats on high! O —

A o'er the wa - ters soar - ing, The storm - king floats on high! O

T o'er the wa - ters soar - ing, The storm - king floats on high! O —

B o'er the wa - ters soar - ing, The storm - king floats on high! O mark the

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S mark the bil - lows leap - ing, In thun - der on the shore; Then

A mark the bil - lows leap - ing, In thun - der on the shore; — Then

T mark the bil - lows leap - ing, In thun - der on the shore; — Then

B bil - lows leap - ing, leap - ing, In thun - der on the shore; Then

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S back - ward wild - ly sweep - ing, With hoarse and an - gry — roar, wild - ly —

A back - ward wild - ly sweep - ing, With hoarse and an - gry roar, wild - ly

T back - ward wild - ly sweep - ing, With hoarse and an - gry roar, wild - ly

B back - ward wild - ly sweep - ing, With hoarse and an - gry roar, wild - ly

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S sweep - ing, With hoarse and an - gry roar! But — wheth - er kiss'd by —

A sweep - ing, With hoarse and an - gry roar! But — wheth - er kiss'd by

T sweep - ing, With hoarse and an - gry roar! But wheth - er kiss'd by

B sweep - ing, With hoarse and an - gry roar! But wheth - er kiss'd by

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S sun - beams, Or lash'd by storm - y wind; — Still on the free, the

A sun - beams, Or lash'd by — storm - y wind; — Still on the free, the

T sun - beams, Or lash'd by storm - y wind; — Still on the free, the

B sun - beams, Or lash'd by — storm - y wind; — Still on the free, the

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S foam - ing sea, A joy - ous home we find, a joy - ous home we find!

A foam - ing sea, A joy - ous home we find, a joy - ous home we find!

T foam - ing sea, A joy - ous home we find, a joy - ous home we find!

B foam - ing sea, A joy - ous home we find, a joy - ous home we find!

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