



VICTORIAN WOMEN

# Fairy Song

Agnes Zimmermann

(1847-1925)

**Agnes Marie Jacobina Zimmermann** (1847–1925) was born in Cologne, Germany. After her family moved to England, she enrolled at the Royal Academy of Music at the age of nine. She twice received the Kings Scholarship and made her public debut in 1863 at The Crystal Palace playing Beethoven's Emperor Concerto. After ending her studies, she performed in numerous concert tours and received international acclaim as a concert pianist. She published her own editions of compositions by Beethoven, Mozart and Schumann. She composed a number of piano pieces and vocal pieces. She died in England.

#### The Fairy Queen

Come, follow, follow me—  
Ye, fairy elves that be,  
Light tripping o'er the green—  
Come, follow Mab your queen!  
Hand in hand we'll dance around;  
For this place is fairy ground.

When mortals are at rest,  
And snoring in their nest,—  
Unheard and unespied,  
Through the keyholes we do glide;  
Over tables, stools, and shelves,  
We trip it with our fairy elves.

O'er tops of dewy grass  
So nimbly do we pass,  
The young and tender stalk  
Ne'er bends where we do walk;  
Yet in the morning may be seen  
Where we the night before have been.

Anon.

# Fairy Song

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*Allegretto scherzando*

S  
Come, fol - low, fol - low me— Ye, fair - y elves that

A  
Come, fol - low, fol - low me— Ye, fair - y elves that

T  
Come, fol - low, fol - low me, fol - low me— Ye, fair - y elves that

B  
Come, fol - low, fol - low me— Ye, fair - y elves that

4  
S  
be, Light trip - ping o'er the green— Come, fol - low Mab your

A  
be, Light trip - ping o'er the green— Fol - low Mab your

T  
be, Come, fol - low Mab your

B  
be, fol - low me, Come, fol - low Mab your

# Fairy Song

8

S queen! we'll dance a - round, we'll dance a -

A queen! We'll dance, we'll

T queen! Hand in hand we'll dance a - round,

B queen! We'll dance a - round, we'll dance a -

12

S round, Hand in hand we'll dance a - round; For this place is fair - y

A dance, Hand in hand we'll dance a - round; For this place is fair - y

T Hand in hand we'll dance a - round; For this place is fair - y

B round; For this place is fair - y

16

S ground, is fair - y ground, is fair - y ground.

A ground, is fair - y ground, is fair - y ground.

T ground, is fair - y ground, is fair - y ground. When

B ground, is fair - y ground, is fair - y ground. When

# Fairy Song

*Poco meno mosso*

21

S Un -

A Un -

T mor - tals are at rest, And snor - ing in their nest,—

B mor - tals are at rest, And snor - ing in their nest,—

25

S heard and un - es - pied, Thro' the key-holes we do glide, Un - heard and un - es - pied, Thro' the

A heard and un - es - pied, Thro' the key-holes we do glide, Un - heard and un - es - pied, Thro' the

T

B

28

S key-holes we do glide, Un - heard and un - es - pied, Thro' the key-holes we do glide; O - ver

A key-holes we do glide, Un - heard and un - es - pied, Thro' the key-holes we do glide; O - ver

T Un - heard and un - es - pied, Thro' the key-holes we do glide; O - ver

B Un - heard and un - es - pied, we glide; O - ver

## Fairy Song

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S ta - bles, stools, and shelves, We trip it with our fair - y elves, O - ver

A ta - bles, stools, and shelves, We trip it with our fair - y elves, O - ver

T ta - bles, stools, and shelves, We trip it with our fair - y elves, O - ver

B ta - bles, stools, and shelves, We trip it, trip it with our fair - y elves, O - ver

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S ta - bles, stools, and shelves, We trip it with our fair - y elves.

A ta - bles, stools, and shelves, We trip it with our fair - y elves.

T ta - bles, stools, and shelves, We trip it with our fair - y elves. When

B ta - bles, stools, and shelves, We trip it, trip it with our fair - y elves. When

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S And snor - ing in their nest, —

A And snor - ing in their nest, —

T mor - tals are at rest, And snor - ing in their nest, —

B mor - tals are at rest, And snor - ing in their nest, —

*f* *rit.*

# Fairy Song

Tempo 1

S O'er tops of dew - y grass So nim - bly do we

A O'er tops of dew - y grass So nim - bly do we

T O'er tops of dew - y grass, dew - y grass So nim - bly do we

B O'er tops of dew - y grass So nim - bly do we

47 *cresc.*

S pass, The young and ten - der stalk Ne'er bends where we do

A pass, The ten - der stalk Ne'er bends where we do

T pass, Ne'er bends where we do

B pass, do we pass, Ne'er bends where we do

51

S walk; Yet may be seen, Yet may be

A walk; be seen, be

T walk; Yet in the morn - - - ing may be seen,

B walk; Yet may be seen, yet may be

55

S  
seen, yet in the morn - ing may be seen Where we the night be - fore have

A  
seen, yet in the morn - ing — may be seen Where we the night be - fore have

T  
— yet in the morn - ing may be seen Where we the night be - fore have

B  
seen Where we the night be - fore have

59

S  
been, where we have been, \_\_\_\_\_ where we have

A  
been, the night have been, \_\_\_\_\_ where we have

T  
been, the night have been, Where we the night, \_\_\_\_\_

B  
been, the night have been, \_\_\_\_\_ where we have

*p*

63

S  
been, Where we the night be - fore have been. *rit.*

A  
been, Where we the night be - fore have been. *rit.*

T  
— where we the night be - fore have been. *rit.*

B  
been, Where we the night be - fore have been. *rit.*



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