

To C.F.B.

Bonny at morn

Arranged by W.G. Whittaker (1876 - 1944)

Very smooth and not too slowly

mf
Soprano
The sheep's in the mea - dow, The kye's in the corn, (Thou's

mf
Alto
The sheep's in the mea - dow, The kye's in the corn, (Thou's

mf
Tenor
The sheep's in the mea - dow, The kye's in the corn, (Thou's

mf
Bass
The sheep's in the mea - dow, The kye's in the corn, (Thou's

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S. *pp*
ow - er lang in thy bed,) Bon - ny at morn. The sheep's in the mea - dow, The

A. *pp > ppp*
ow - er lang in thy bed,) Bon - ny at morn. The sheep's in the

T. *pp*
ow - er lang in thy bed,) Bon - ny at morn. The sheep's in the

B. *pp > ppp*
ow - er lang in thy bed,) Bon - ny at morn. The sheep's in the

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S. *mf*
kye's in the corn, (Thou's ow - er lang in thy bed,) Bon - ny at morn.

A. *mf*
mea - dow, The kyes in the corn.

T. *mf*
mea - dow, The kye's in the corn, the kye's in the corn.

B. *mf*
mea - dow, The kye's in the corn.

10 *p*

S. Can - ny at night, — Bon - ny at morn, (Thou's ow - er lang in thy bed,)

A. Can - ny at night, Bon - ny at morn, (Thou's ow - er lang in thy bed,)

T. *p* Can - ny at night, Bon - ny at morn, (Thou's ow - er lang in thy bed,)

B. — Can - ny at night, Bon - ny at morn, Bon -

13 *rit.* *p a tempo*

S. Bon - ny at morn. The bird's in the nest, — The trout's in the burn, Thou

A. *rit.* *p a tempo* Bon - ny at morn. The bird's in the nest, — The trout's in the burn, Thou

T. *rit.* *a tempo* Bon - ny at morn.

B. *rit.* *a tempo* - ny at morn.

16 *pp*

S. hin - ders thy moth - er in ma - ny a turn, The bird's in the nest, — The

A. *pp* *mp* *mp* hin - ders thy moth - er in ma - ny a turn. Thou hin - ders thy moth - er in

T. *pp* The bird's in the nest, — The

B. *pp* The bird's in the nest, — Thou

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S. trout's in the burn, Thou hin - ders thy moth - er in ma - ny a turn.

A. *mp* ma - ny a turn, Thou hin - ders thy moth - er in ma - ny a turn.

T. trout's in the burn, Thou hin - ders thy moth - er in ma - ny a turn.

B. hin - ders thy moth - er in ma - ny a turn.

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S. *pp* Can - ny at night, Bon - ny at morn, Thou

A. *pp* *leggiero* Can - ny at night, Bon - ny at morn,

T. turn. Can - ny at night,

B. Can - ny at night,

poco

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S. hin - ders thy moth er at ma - ny a turn. *rit.* *a tempo*

A. *rit.* Bon - ny at morn. *a tempo*

T. Bon - ny at morn. *a tempo*

B. *rit.* Bon - ny at morn. *a tempo* We're all laid i - dle Wi' keep - in' the

Bon - ny at morn. Wi' keep - in' the

27 *mf*

S. We're all laid i - dle, Wi' keep - in' the bairn, The

A. *mf* We're all laid i - dle, Wi'

T. *mf* We're all laid bairn.

B. bairn. The lad win-not work,

30 *p*

S. lad win-not work, And the lass win - not lairn. We're

A. keep - - - in' the bairn. *p*

T. keep - - - in' the bairn. We're *p*

B. And the lass win - not *p*

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S. all laid i - dle, Wi' keep - in the bairn, The

A. *poco* Can - ny at night, *poco* Bon - ny at morn,

T. all laid i - dle, Wi' keep - in the bairn, The lad

B. lairn

34 *f*

S. lad win - not work, And the lass win - not lairn.

A. Can - ny at night, Bon - ny at morn,

T. win-not work, And the lass win-not lairn.

B. *f*

36 *p*

S. Can - ny at night, Bon - ny at morn,

A. *p* Can - ny at night, *p* Bon - ny at morn, (Thou's

T. *p* Can - ny at night, *poco* (Thou's *poco*

B. *p* Can - ny at night, Bon - ny at

38 *dim. e rit.* **Lento.** *ppp*

S. ow - er lang in thy bed,) Bon - ny at morn.

A. *dim. e rit.* *ppp* ow - er lang in thy bed,) Bon - ny at morn.

T. *dim. e rit.* *ppp* morn, Bon - ny at morn.

B. *dim. e rit.* *ppp* morn, Bon - ny at morn.

Glossary.

Kye.	<i>Cow.</i>
Ower.	<i>Over.</i>
Canny.	<i>Lovable, winning, dear.</i>
Lang.	<i>Long.</i>
Lairn.	<i>Learn.</i>

The song is addressed by a weary mother to her babe which, though winsome and "canny", interferes sadly with the orderly working of the house. The elder son (to whom the phrases in brackets are spoken) is idolent, and the daughter is unwilling to learn. Everything is going wrong with the household matters, and outside the cow is in the cornfield; the poor mother has a heavy burden which she pours forth in her lullaby.

The dialect may be more approximately approached by the following changes:-

Thou's = Thoo's,
 Bird's = Bord's,
 Trout's = Troot's,
 Burn = Born,
 Turn = Torn,
 "All" with the vowel as in "at"