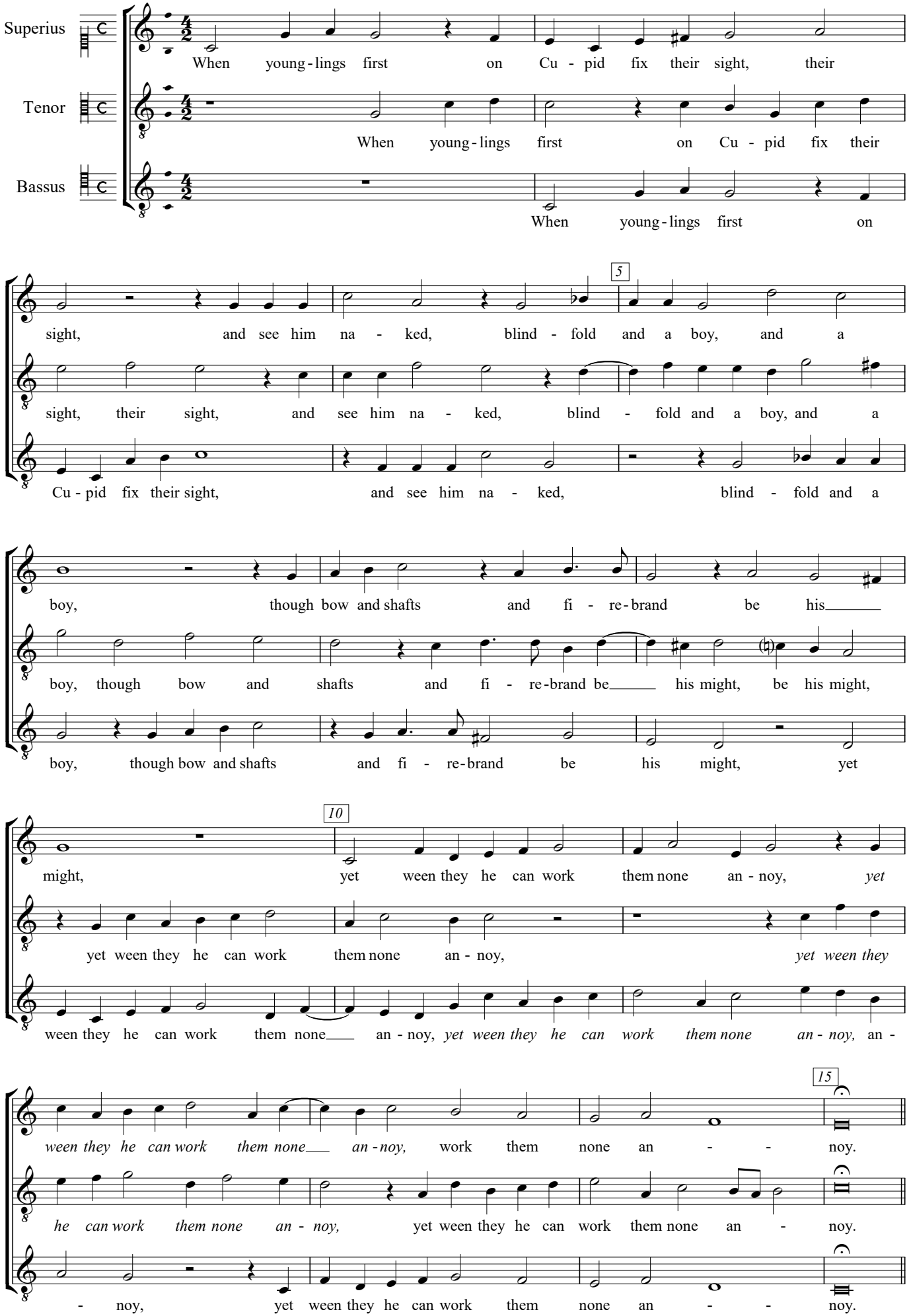
When younglings first on Cupid fix their sight

The first part

William Byrd (*c.*1540-1623)



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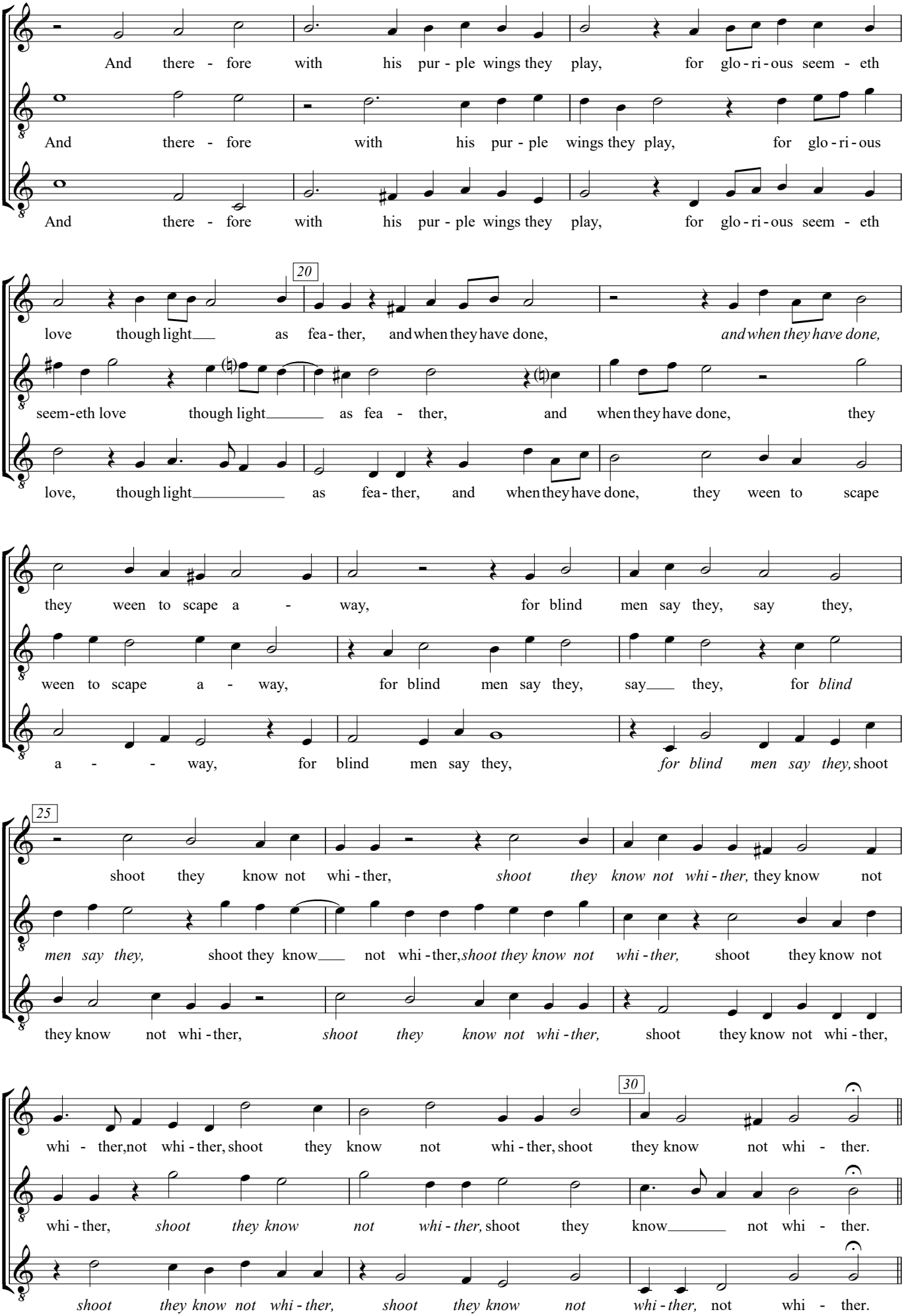
And there - fore with his pur - ple wings they play, for glo - ri - ous seem - eth
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20
love though light as fea - ther, and when they have done, and when they have done,
seem - eth love though light as fea - ther, and when they have done, they
love, though light as fea - ther, and when they have done, they ween to scape
they ween to scape a - way, for blind men say they, say they,
ween to scape a - way, for blind men say they, say they, for blind
a - - way, for blind men say they, for blind men say they, shoot
25
shoot they know not whi - ther, shoot they know not whi - ther, they know not
men say they, shoot they know not whi - ther, shoot they know not whi - ther, shoot they know not
they know not whi - ther, shoot they know not whi - ther, shoot they know not whi - ther,
30
whi - ther, not whi - ther, shoot they know not whi - ther, shoot they know not whi - ther.
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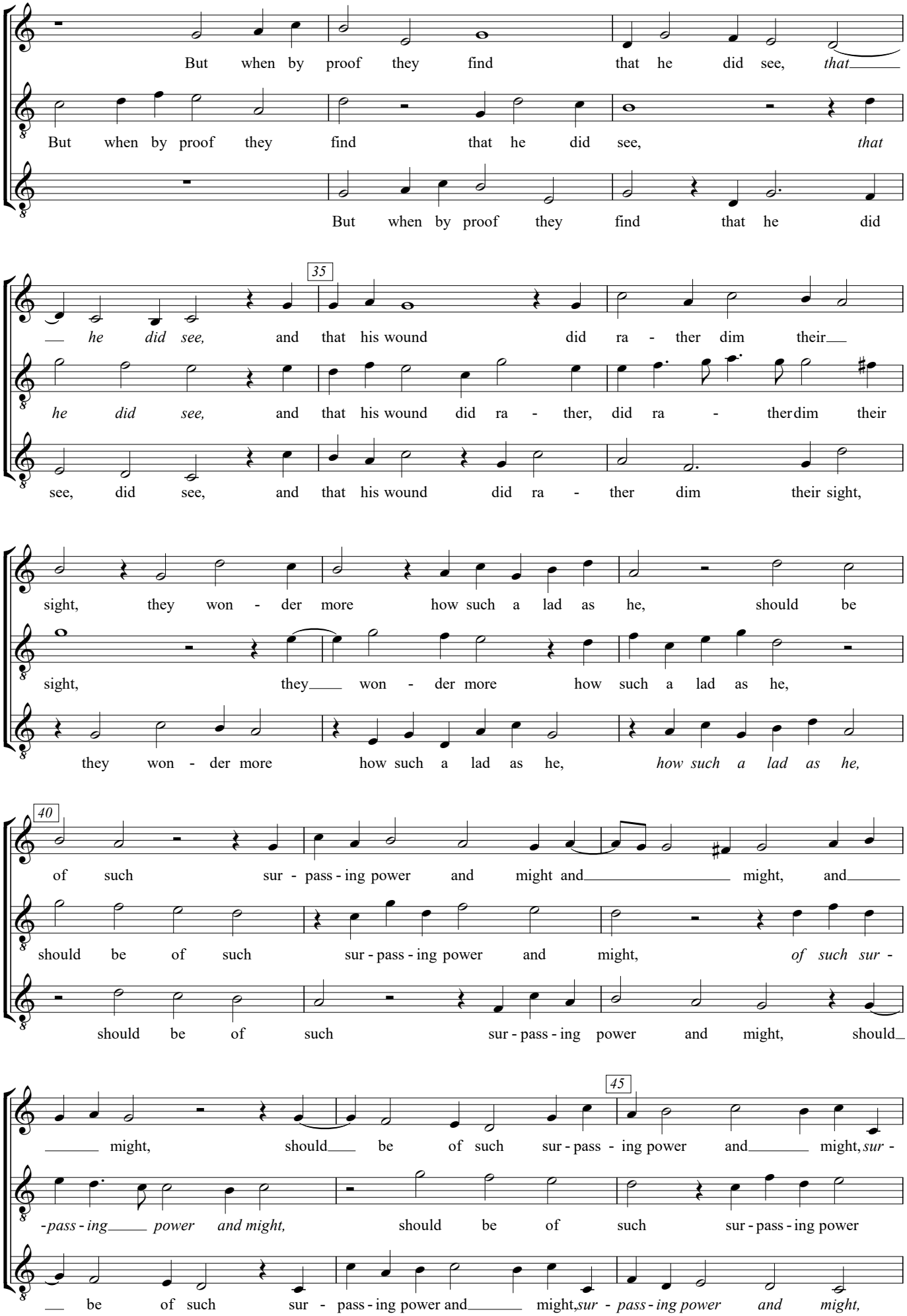
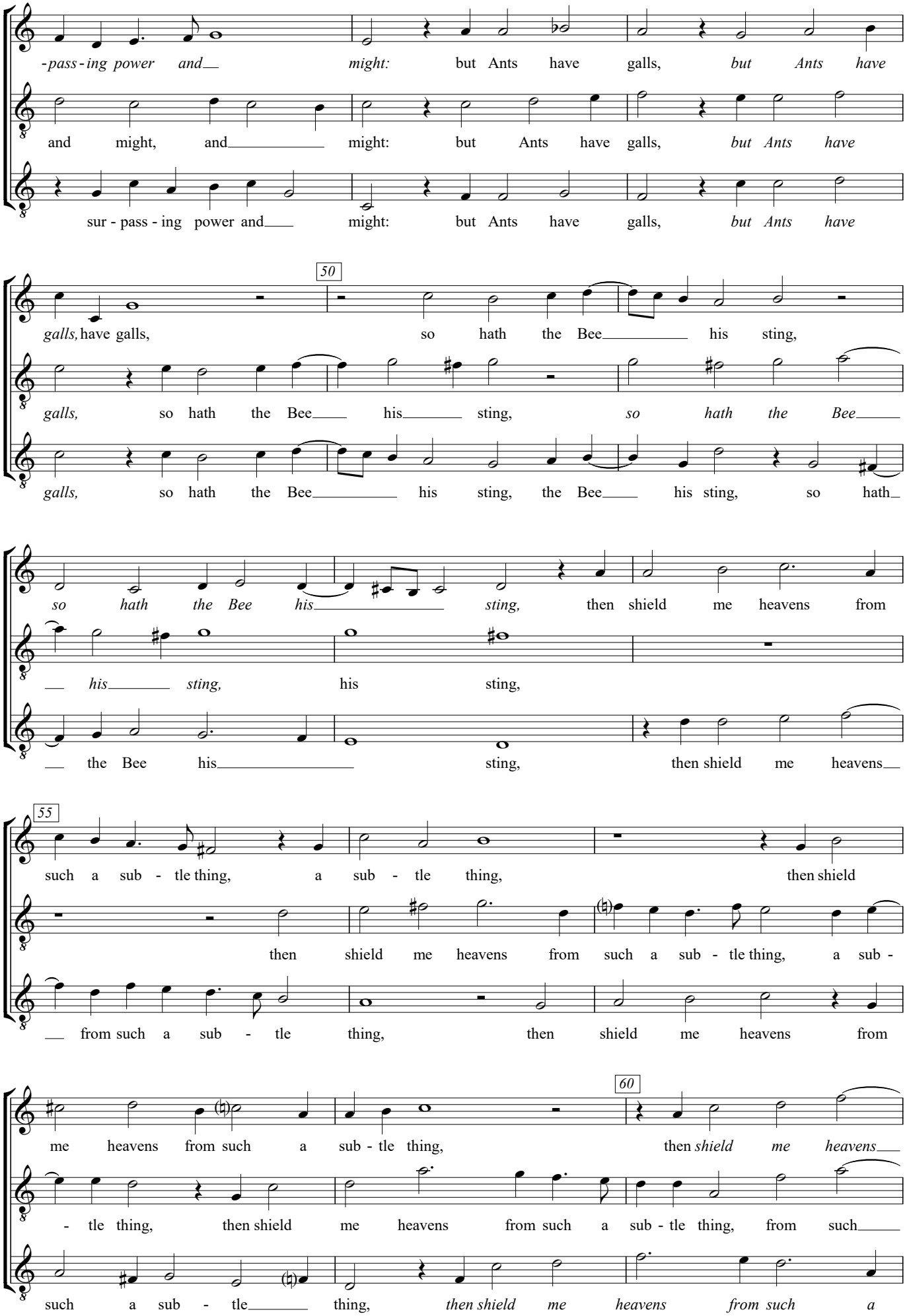
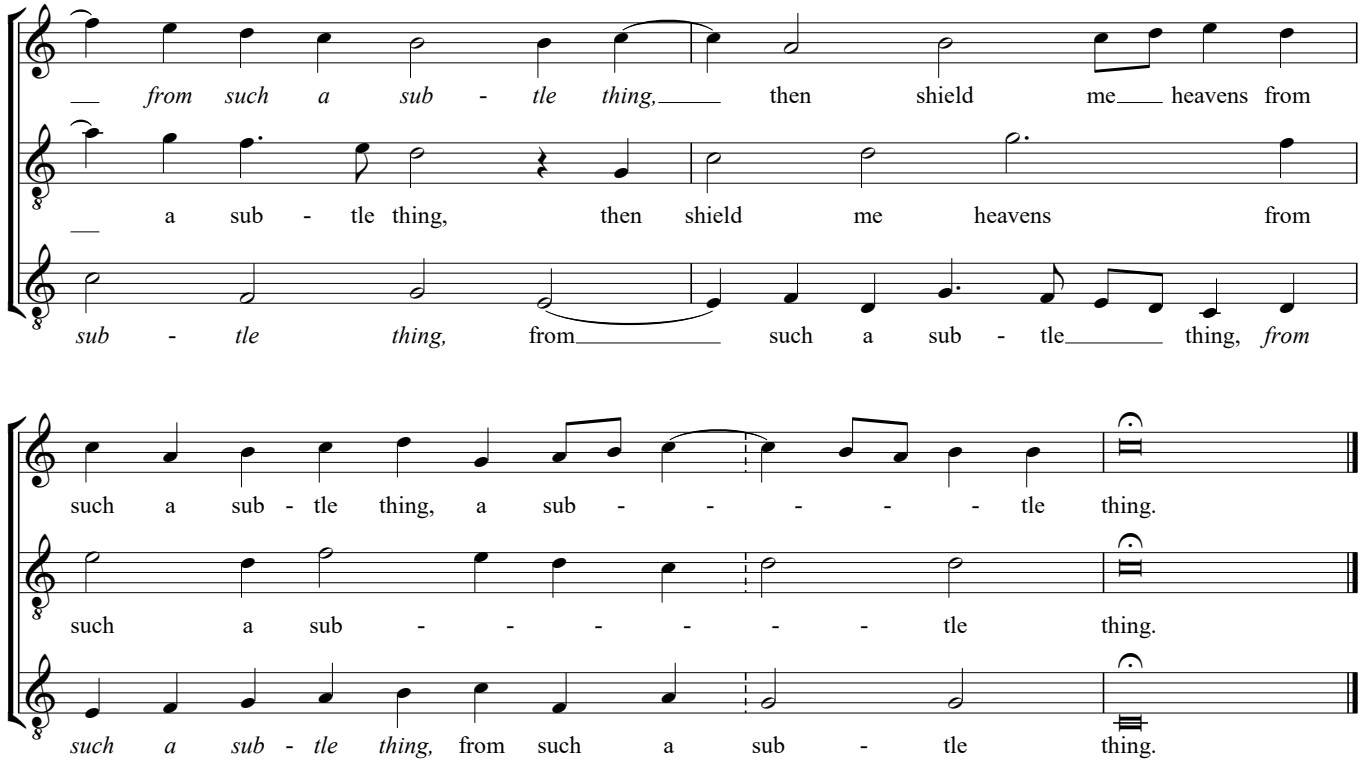
The second part




-pass-ing power and might: but Ants have galls, but Ants have
and might, and might: but Ants have galls, but Ants have
sur - pass - ing power and might: but Ants have galls, but Ants have
50
galls, have galls, so hath the Bee his sting,
galls, so hath the Bee his sting, so hath the Bee
galls, so hath the Bee his sting, the Bee his sting, so hath
so hath the Bee his sting, then shield me heavens from
his sting, his sting,
the Bee his sting, then shield me heavens
55
such a sub - tle thing, a sub - tle thing, then shield
then shield me heavens from such a sub - tle thing, a sub -
from such a sub - tle thing, then shield me heavens from
60
me heavens from such a sub - tle thing, then shield me heavens
- tle thing, then shield me heavens from such a sub - tle thing, from such
such a sub - tle thing, then shield me heavens from such a



Source: William Byrd, *Songs of sundrie natures...* (London, 1589-1610), nos.10-11 (12-13 in 1610).

III.12.1-2: *a 𝅗𝅥 noy 𝅗𝅥*

II.27.5: g

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