

William Sterndale Bennett is still an unduly neglected figure in the history of English music. He was a lifelong friend of Mendelssohn, and was held in high esteem by Schumann. He produced the first English language edition of the *St Matthew Passion*, founded the Bach Society, and was Principal of the Royal Academy of Music. -Paul Hillier, *Rodmell*

Come Live With Me

Christopher Marlowe
(1564-1593)

William Sterndale Bennett
(1816-1875)

SOPRANO

ALTO

BASS

f

Come live with me___ and be my love___ And we will
There will I make___ thee beds of ro - ses, With a

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all___ the plea-sures prove___ That hill and val - ley, dale and field, - that hill and
thou - sand fra - grant po - sies, A cap of flow - ers and a kir - tle, a cap of

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dim.

val - ley, dale and field, And all the crag - gy moun-tains
flow - ers and a kir - tle, Em-broi-der'd all with leaves of

dim.

val - ley, that dale and field, And all the crag - gy moun-tains
flow - ers and a kir - tle, Em-broi-der'd all with leaves of

dim.

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flow - ers and a kir - tle, Em-broi-der'd all with leaves of

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p

yield. There will we sit up - on the rocks, And see the
myr - tle, The shep herd swains shall dance and sing For thy de-

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shep - herds feed their flocks, By shal-low ri - vers, to whose
light each May morn-ing, The shep herd swains shall dance and

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falls___ Me - lo - dious birds sing ma - dri - gals, And if these
sing,___ For thy de - light each May morn - ing. *f*

falls___ Me - lo - dious birds_ sing ma - dri - gals___ And if these
sing___ For thy de - light___ each May morn - ing. *f*

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sing___ For thy de - light each May morn - ing. *f*

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plea - sures may thee move,___ Then live with me_____ and be___ my

plea - sures may thee move,___ Then live with me, with me, and be my

plea - sures may thee move,___ Then live with me,_____ and be___ my

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love, *ff* And if these plea - sures may thee move,___ Then live with *dim.*

love, *ff* And if these plea - sures may thee move,___ Then live with *dim.*

love, And if_____ these plea - sures may thee move,___ Then *dim.*

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me _____ and be my love, then live with me _____

me, with me, and be my love, _____ then live with me _____

live with me, and be my love, Then live, Then

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_____ and be my love, _____ then live with

_____ then live with me, _____ and be my love, _____

live, then live with me, _____ and be my love, _____ Then

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me, _____ and be my love. _

then live with me, _____ then live with me, _____ and be my love. _

live with me, then live with me, _____ and be my love.