

I saw my lady weep

The second book of songs and ayres

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Soprano

Basso

Chitarra

I saw my lady
O fair - er than aught

I saw my La - dy weep,
O fair - er than aught else,

I saw my La dy
o fair - er than aught

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weep else
and sor - row proud to be ad - van - ced so
the world can show, leave off in time to grieve.

weep my La - dy weep, my La - dy weep, my La - dy weep and sor -
else the world can show leave off in time to grieve, to grieve

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In those fair eyes, in those fair eyes where all per fec - tions keep.
E - nough, e - nough, e - nough, e - nough your joy ful looks ex - cels.

- row proud o be ad - van - ced so, in those fair eyes, fair eyes where all per - fec - tions
e - nough, e - nough, e - nough - e - nough your joy - ful looks ex cels, looks ex -

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Her face was full of woe, full of woe, but such a woe, be-lieve me, as
Tears kill the heart, be-lieve, be-live; o strive not to be ex-cel-lent

keep. Her face was full full of woe but such a woe as
cels. Tears kill the heart be-lieve; o strive not to be

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wins my hearts in woe than Mirth can do with her, with her enticing parts.
which on-ly breeds your beauty's beauty's o-ver-throw.

wins in more hearts, than Mirth can do with her enticing parts.
in woe which on-ly breeds your beauty's o-ver-throw.

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I saw my Lady weep,
and sorrow proud to be advanced so
in those fair eyes where all perfections keep.
Her face was full of woe,
but such a woe, believe me, as wins more hearts
than Mirth can do with her enticing parts.

Sorrow was there made fair,
and Passion wise, tears a delightful thing,
silence beyond all speech a wisdom rare.
She made her sighs to sing,
and all things with so sweet a sadness move
as made my heart at once both grieve and love.

O fairer than aught else
The world can show, leave off in time to grieve.
Enough, enough your joyful looks excels.
Tears kill the heart, believe;
O strive not to be excellent in woe,
which only breeds your beauty's overthrow.