

# When younglings first on Cupid fix their sight

## The first part

William Byrd (c.1540-1623)

Superius (part 1 of 3)

*Songs of sundrie natures* (London, 1589)

When young-lings first on Cu-pid fix their sight, their sight, and see him  
na-ked, blind-fold and a boy, and a boy, though bow and shafts and fi-er-brand be his\_  
might, yet ween they he can work them none an-noy, yet ween they he can work them none.  
\_ an-noy, work them none an - noy. And there-fore with his pur-ple wings they  
play, for glo-ri-ous see-meth love though light\_ as fea-ther, and when they have done,  
and when they have done, they ween to scape a - way, for blind men say they, say they,  
shoot they know not whi-ther, shoot they know not whi-ther, they know not  
whi-ther, not whi-ther, shoot they know not whi-ther, shoot they know not whi-ther.

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Tenor (part 2 of 3)

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8 When young - lings first on Cu - pid fix their sight, their sight, and  
5 see him na - ked, blind - fold and a boy, and a boy, though bow and shafts and fi - er-brand be -  
8 - his might, be his might, yet ween they he can work them none an - noy, yet ween they  
10 he can work them none an - noy, yet ween they he can work them none an - noy.  
15  
8 And there - fore with his pur - ple wings they play, for glo - ri - ous see - meth love though light -  
20 - as fea - ther, and when they have done, they ween to scape a - way, for blind men say they,  
25 say - they, for *blind men say they*, shoot they know - not whi - ther, shoot they know not  
30 whi - ther, shoot they know not whi - ther, shoot they know not whi - ther, shoot they know - not whi - ther.

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say - they, for *blind men say they*, shoot they know - not whi - ther, *shoot they know not*  
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*whi - ther*, *shoot they know not whi - ther*, shoot they know not whi - ther, shoot they know - not whi - ther.

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Bassus (part 3 of 3)

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ween they he can work them none an-noy, yet ween they he can work them none an-noy, an-noy, yet

15  
ween they he can work them none an-noy. And there-fore with his pur-ple wings they

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done, they ween to scape a-way, for blind men say they, for blind men say they, shoot

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