

## Of gold all burnish'd

*The first part*

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Superius  
Medius  
Contratenor  
Tenor  
Bassus

Of gold all bur-nish'd and bright-er than sun -  
Of gold all bur-nish'd and bright-er than sun -  
Of gold all bur-nish'd, and bright-er than sun-beams, than sun -  
Of gold all bur-nish'd and bright-er than sun -  
Of gold all bur-nish'd and bright-er than sun-beams,

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beams, were those curl - èd locks u - pon her no - ble head,  
beams, were those curl - èd locks u - pon her no - ble head, from whose  
beams, were those curl - èd locks u - pon her no - - ble head, from whose  
beams, were those curl - èd locks u - pon her no - ble head, from  
were those curl - èd locks u - pon her no - ble head, from

from whose deep con-ceits, my true de - ser-vings fled,  
- deep con-ceits, from whose deep con-ceits, my true de - ser - vings fled, where - fore  
deep con-ceits, from whose deep con-ceits my true de - ser - vings fled, where  
whose deep con-ceits my true de - ser-vings fled, de - ser-vings fled, where -  
whose deep con-ceits, from whose deep con-ceits, my true de - ser - vings fled,

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where - fore - these mine eyes, such store of tears, such  
 - these mine eyes, where - fore these mine eyes, such store of tears  
 - fore these mine eyes, such store of tears out - streams, out -  
 fore these mine eyes, where - fore these mine eyes such store of tears out-streams, such  
 where - fore these mine eyes, such store of tears,

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store of tears out - streams. Her eyes are fair stars,  
 out - streams, such store of tears out - streams. Her eyes are fair stars,  
 streams, such store of tears out - streams. Her eyes are fair stars, her  
 store of tears of tears out - streams. Her eyes are fair stars,  
 such store of tears of tears out - streams. Her eyes are fair stars, her

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her red like Da-mask rose, her white sil-ver shine of Moon on Cry - stal Stream,  
 her red like Da-mask rose, her white sil-ver shine of Moon on Cry-stal Stream, her beau -  
 red like Da-mask rose, Da-mask rose, her white sil-ver shine of Moon, of Moon on Cry-stal Stream, her beau  
 her red like Da-mask rose, her white sil-ver shine of Moon on Cry - stal Stream, her  
 red like Da-mask rose, her white sil-ver shine of Moon on Cry - stal Stream, her

her beau - ty per - fect, where - on my fan - cies dream: her.

ty per - fect, her beau - ty per - fect, where - on my fan - cies dream: her lips are ru - bies, her

- ty per - fect, her beau - ty per - fect, where - on my fan - cies dream: her lips are ru - bies, her

beau - ty per - fect, where - on my fan - cies dream, my fan - cies dream: her lips are ru - bies,

beau - ty per - fect, her beau - ty per - fect, where - on my fan - cies dream: her lips are ru - bies, her

- lips are ru - bies, her teeth of pearl, her teeth of pearl two rows.

lips are ru - bies, her teeth of pearl two rows, her teeth of pearl two rows.

lips are ru - bies, her teeth of pearl two rows, her teeth of pearl, of pearl two rows.

her teeth of pearl two rows, two rows, her teeth of pearl row rows.

lips are ru - bies, her teeth of pearl, her teeth of pearl, of pearl two rows.

Of gold all burnish'd and brighter than sunbeams,  
 were those curled locks upon her noble head,  
 from whose deep conceits, my true deservings fled,  
 wherefore these mine eyes such store of tears outstreams.

Her eyes are fair stars, her red like Damask rose,  
 her white silver shine of Moon on Crystal Stream,  
 her beauty perfect, whereon my fancies dream:  
 her lips are rubies, her teeth of pearl two rows.