

Pastime with Good Company

The Kings ballad

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[Cantus] (part 1 of 3)

Henry VIII of England (1491-1547)

Henry VIII songbook (GB-Lbl Add. 31922, c.1518)

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Pas - time with good com - pa - ny I love and shall un -
Youth must have some dal - li - ance of good or ill some
Com - pa - ny with ho - nes - ty is vir - tue vi - ces

til I die; Grudge who lust but none de - ny, So god be
pas - - tance; Com - pa - ny me - thinks then best all thoughts and
to flee. Com - pa - ny is good and ill but e - v'ry

pleas'd thus love will I. For my pas - tance hunt, sing and dance, my
fan - cies to di - gest. for id - le - ness is chief mis - tress of
man hath his free will. The best en - sue the worst es - chew my

heart is set. All good - ly sport for my com - fort, who shall me let?
vi - ces all; Then who can say but myrth and play is best of all.
mind shall be. Vir - tue to use vice to re - fuse thus shall I use me.

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[Tenor] (part 2 of 3)

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Youth must have some dal - li - ance of good or ill some
Com - pa - ny with ho - nes - ty is vir - tue vi - ces

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til____ I die; Grudge who lust but none____ de - ny, So god be
pas - - tance; Com - pa - ny me - thinks____ then best all thoughts and
to____ flee. Com - pa - ny is good____ and ill but e - v'ry

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pleas'd thus love_ will I. For my pas - tance hunt, sing and dance, my heart_ is
fan - cies to_ di - gest. for id - le - ness is chief mis - tress of vi - - ces
man hath his_ free will. The best en - sue the worst es - chew my mind_ shall

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set. All good - ly sport for my com - fort, who shall_ me let?
all; Then who can say but myrth and play is best_ of all.
be. Vir - tue to use vice to re - fuse thus shall I use me.

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[Bassus] (part 3 of 3)

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Pas - time with good com - pa - ny I love and shall un - til I
Youth must have some dal - li - ance of good or ill some pas - -
Com - pa - ny with ho - nes - ty is vir - tue vi - ces to

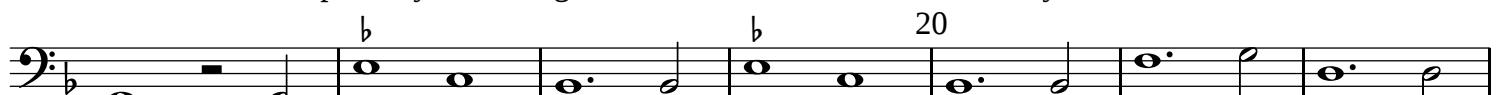
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die; Grudge who lust but none de - ny, So god be pleas'd thus love_ will
tance; Com - pa - ny me-thinks then best all thoughts and fan - cies to_ di -
flee. Com - pa - ny is good and ill but e - v'ry man hath his_ free



I. For my pas - tance hunt, sing and dance, my heart is set. All
gest. for id - le - ness is chief mis - tress of vi - ces all; Then
will. The best en - sue the worst es - chew my mind shall be. Vir -

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good - ly sport for my com - fort, who shall_ me let?
who can say but myrth and play is best_ of all.
tue to vice to re - fuse thus shall I use me.

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