

Pastime with Good Company

The Kings ballad

fol. 14^v - 15^r

Henry VIII of England (1491-1547)

[Bassus] (part 3 of 3)

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

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_____

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 -

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