

Adam Lay yBounden

Words: c. 15th Century

Peter Warlock
(1894-1930)

Allegretto

Unison Voice(s) *mp*

Piano *mf* *mp*

A-dam lay y - boun-den, Boun-den in a bond:

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Four thou-sand win - ter Thought he not too long. And all was for an ap-ple, An ap-ple that he

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took, As clerk - ès find - en Writ-ten In their book. Ne had the ap-ple

Rather slower *p*

Rather slower

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tak - en been, The ap - ple tak - en been, Ne had nev - er our la - dy A -

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been heave-nè queen. Bless-ed be the time That ap-ple tak-en

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was, There-fore we moun sing-en, De-o gra-ci-as!

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TEXT:

Adam lay ybounden,
Bounden in a bond:
Four thousand winter
Thought he not too long.

Ne had the apple taken been,
The apple taken been,
Ne had never our lady
Abeen heavenè queen.

And all was for an apple,
An apple that he took,
As clerkè finden
Written in their book.

Blessèd be the time
That apple taken was,
Therefore we moun singen,
Deo gracias!