

The cuckoo

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andante con moto 5

T *mf* Bird, with voice of warn-ing true, Ver-nal song-ster, oh, Cuc-koo! *p* This young cou-ple begs thy

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mf *p*

T hear - ing, E'er sweet Spring is dis - ap - pear-ing, Thy re-ply, dear bird, they

B *p* This young cou-ple begs thy hear - ing, E'er sweet Spring is dis-ap-— pear - ing, do but

hear - ing, E'er sweet Spring is dis - ap - pear-ing, Thy re-ply, dear bird, they

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T seek, Will they pros- per, will they pros- per? do but speak, Say cuc -

B speak, Will they pros - per? do but speak, Say cuc -

seek, Will they pros- per? do but speak,

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T koo, say cuc - koo, *dim.* still re - peat, cuc-koo, cuc - koo. *f* Hear them,

B koo, say cuc - koo, *dim.* still re - peat, still re-peat, cuc - koo.

koo, say cuc - koo, *dim.* still re - peat, still re-peat, cuc-Ꞥ koo.

Say cuc-koo, say cuc-koo, still re-peat, say cuc - koo, cuc - koo.

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T *f* hear them, *mf* 'tis a lov-ing pair, Anx-ious wed-lock's joys to share;

B *f* Hear them, *mf* 'tis a lov-ing pair, Anx-ious wed-lock's joys to share; *p* In them ar-dent youth is

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T *p* In them ar-dent youth is glow-ing, love is flow-ing, May they

glow-ing, Thro' their hearts true love is flow-ing,

B glow-ing, Thro' their hearts true love is flow-ing,

glow-fog, Thro' their hearts true love is flow-ing,

fz

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T *fz* not _____ ven-ture now to mate? *fz* Say _____ how much lon-ger then must they wait? *pp* How

fz May they not ven-ture now to mate? *fz* Say _____ how much lon-ger then must they wait? *pp* How

B *fz* May they not ven-ture now to mate? *fz* Say _____ how much lon-ger then must they wait? *pp* How

fz May they not venture uow to mate? *fz* Say _____ how much lon-ger then must they wait?

fz *dim.* *pp*

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T long then? *pp* Hark! hark! cuc - koo, cuc-koo, All is is

long then? Hark! All is is qui-et,

B long then? *pp* Hark! All is qui-et,

pp Hark! All is qui-et,

pp

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T
qui-et, *f* on-ly two! *f* Tho' no fault in them ap - pears, Pa-tient - ly_ they'll wait two years. *p* But when

f on-ly two! *f* Tho' no fault in them ap - pears, Pa-tient - ly they'll wait two years.

B
f on-ly two! *f* Tho' no fault in them ap - pears, Pa-tient - ly they'll wait two years.

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T
mar - ried, what a squall-ing af-ter Pa - pa, Pa-pa call-ing; *f* Know that nought will please them *dim.*

p But when mar-ried, what a squall-ing af-ter Pa - pa, Pa-pa call-ing; *f* Know that nought will please them *dim.*

B
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T
more, *p* Pro - phe - cy a good - ly, good - ly store, *fz* pro - phe - cy a good - ly, good - ly

B
more, *p* Pro - phe - cy a good - ly, good - ly store, *fz* pro - phe - cy a good - ly

more, *p* Pro - phe - cy a good - ly store, *fz* pro - phe - cy a good - ly

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T
store. Cuc-koo, cuc-koo, cuc - koo, cuc-koo, cuc-koo, cu- *f* If we're

B
sto re. One, two, not e - nough yet, *f* If we're

store. One, two, not e - nough yet, *f* If we're

store. One, two, not e - nough yet, *f* If we're

60

T
count-ed right you'll see, Less than six, than six there will not be. *dim.* *p* Wouldst thou

B
count-ed right you'll see, Less than six, than six there will not be. *dim.* *p* Wouldst thou say

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T
say at *fz* our en- treat - ing, Will their life be *fz* long or fleet - ing?

B
at *fz* our en - treat - tog, Will their life be *fz* long or fleet-ing? *p* Free - ly,

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T *p* Free-ly we the wish con-fess, May long life their un-ion bless. Cuc - koo, cuc-koo, cuc-koo, cuc -

B *p* Free-ly we the wish con-fess, May long life their un-ion bless, may long life their

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p

75

T koo, cuc-koo, cuc-koo. *f* Life has here a cer-tain joy; Joy that li-mits known de-destroy,

un-ion bless. *f* Life has here a cer-tain joy; Joy that li-mits known de-destroy,

B un-ion bless. *f* Life has here a cer-tain joy; Joy that li-mits known de-destroy,

un-ion bless. *f* Life has here a cer-tain joy; Joy that li-mits known de-destroy,

f

T
joy that li-mits known de - stroy. *p* Sure they are of love's en-dur- ing

B
joy that li-mits known de - stroy. *p* Sure they are of love's en - dur - ing,

joy that li-mits known de - stroy. *p* Sure they are of love's en - dur - ing,

T
While each bliss se- cur- ing; Should they *fz* e- ver false be

B
While each o - ther's bliss se - cur - ing; *fz* Should they e - ver false be

While-each o - ther's bliss se - cur - ing; *fz* Should they e - ver false be

85

T
found, *fz* Nought in the world could heal the wound, Should they *fz* e - verfalse be

B
found, *fz* Nought in the world could heal the wound, *fz* Should they e - verfalse be

found, *fz* Nought in the world could heal he wound, Should they *fz* e - verfalse be

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T
found, *fz* Nought in the world could heal the wound, *fz* nought in the world could heal the

B
found, *fz* Nought in the world could heal the wound, *fz* nought in the world could heal the

found, *fz* Nought in the world could heal the wound, nought in the world could heal the

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T
wound, *fz* nought _____ in the world could heal the wound, Cuc - koo,

wound, *fz* nought _____ in the world could heal the wound, Cuc - koo

B
wound, *fz* nought _____ in the world could heal the wound, *mf* nought _____

wound, *fz* nought _____ in the world could heal the wound, *mf* nought _____

mf

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T
cuc-koo, cuc - koo, cuc-koo, cuc-koo, cuc - koo, cuc-koo, *pp* cuc-koo, cuc - koo,

cuc-koo, cuc - koo, cuc-koo, cuc-koo, cuc - koo, cuc-koo, *pp* cuc-koo, cuc - koo,

B
_____ in the world could heal the wound.

_____ in the world could heal the wound.

dim. *pp*