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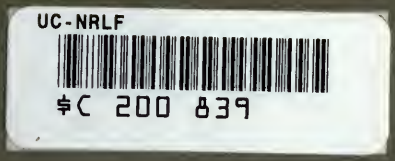

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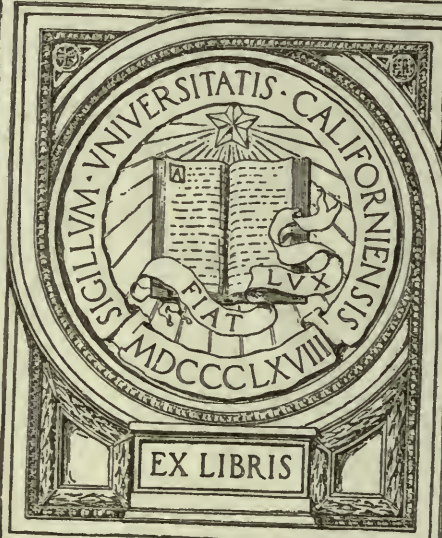

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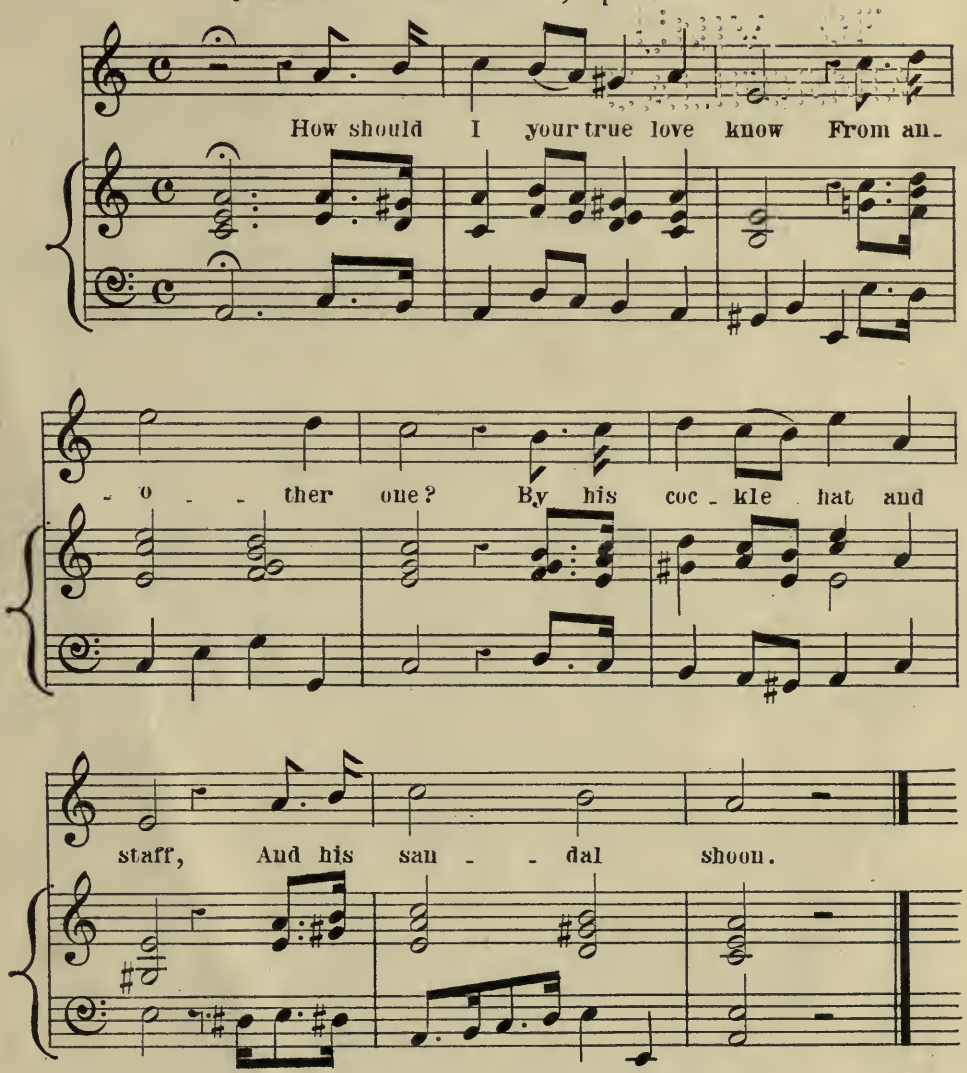
HAMLET.

Act 4 ____ Scene 5.

OPHELIA.

Where is the beauteous majesty of Denmark?

QUEEN. ____ How now, Ophelia?



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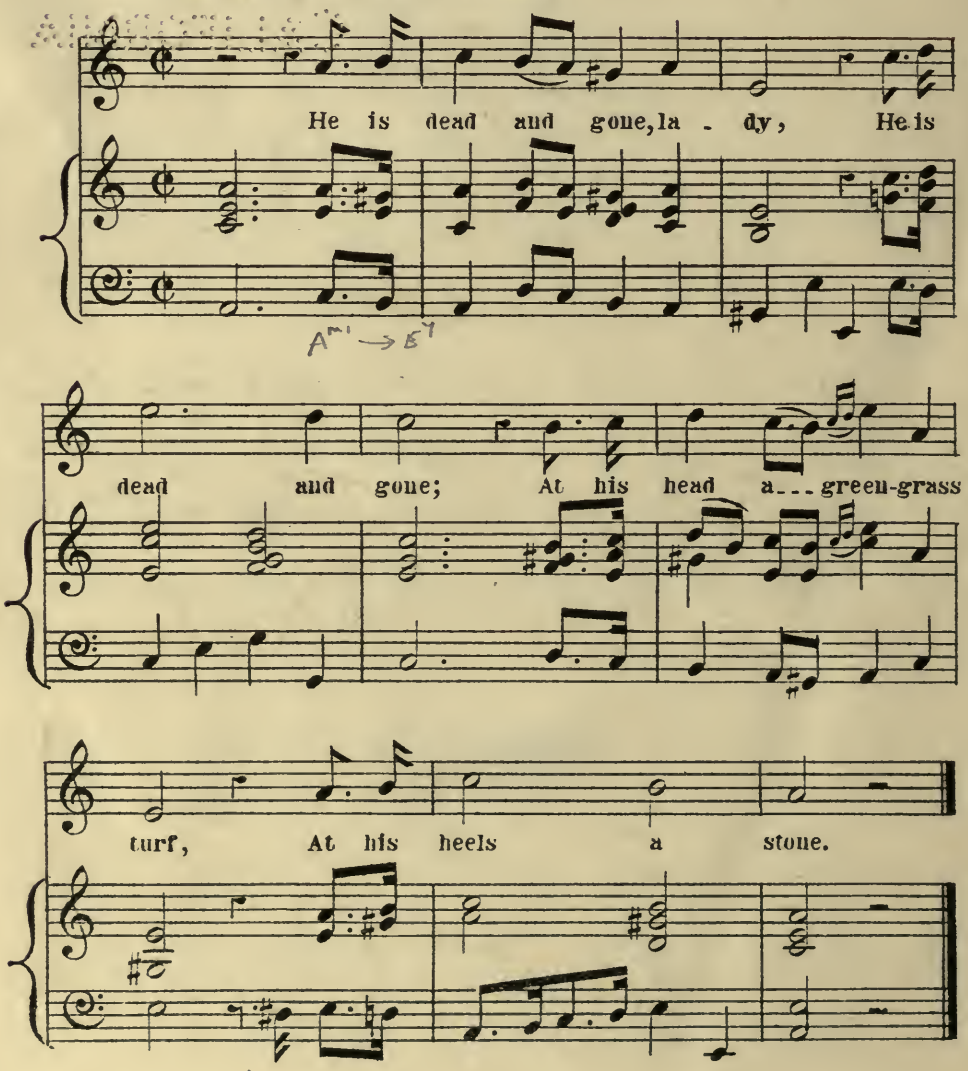
QUEEN.

Alas sweet lady, what imports this song?

OPHELIA.

Say you? Nay, pray you, mark.



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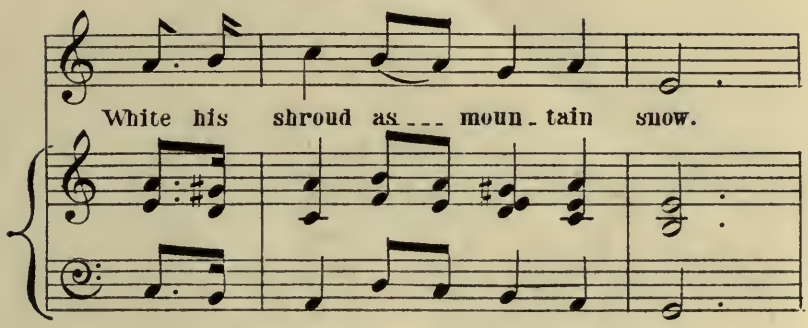
QUEEN. —— Nay, but Ophelia,

OPHELIA. —— Pray you, mark.



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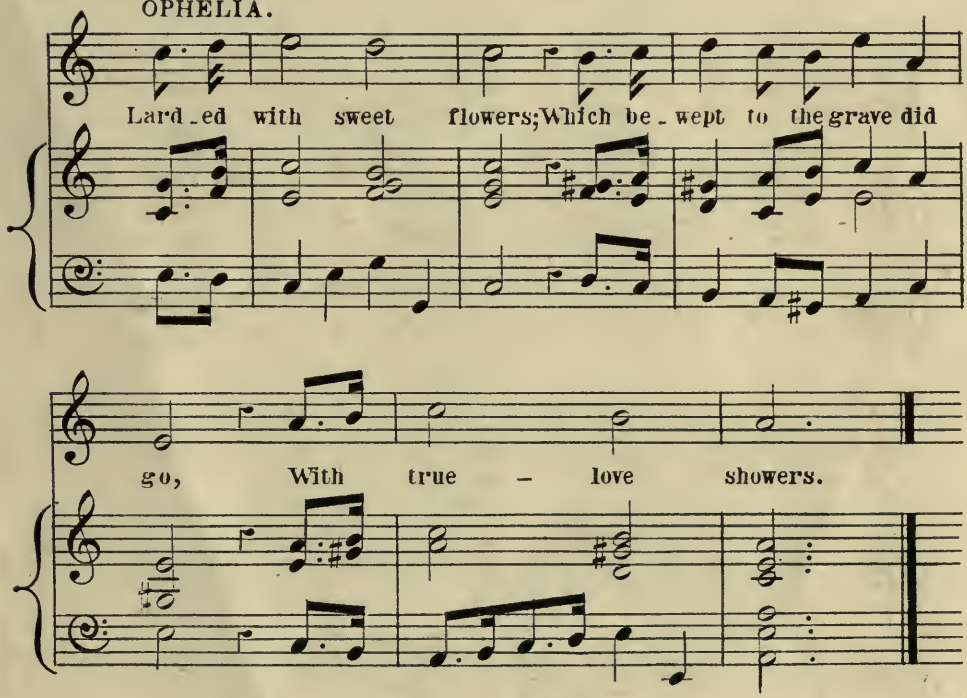
QUEEN. —— Alas! Look here, my lord.

OPHELIA.



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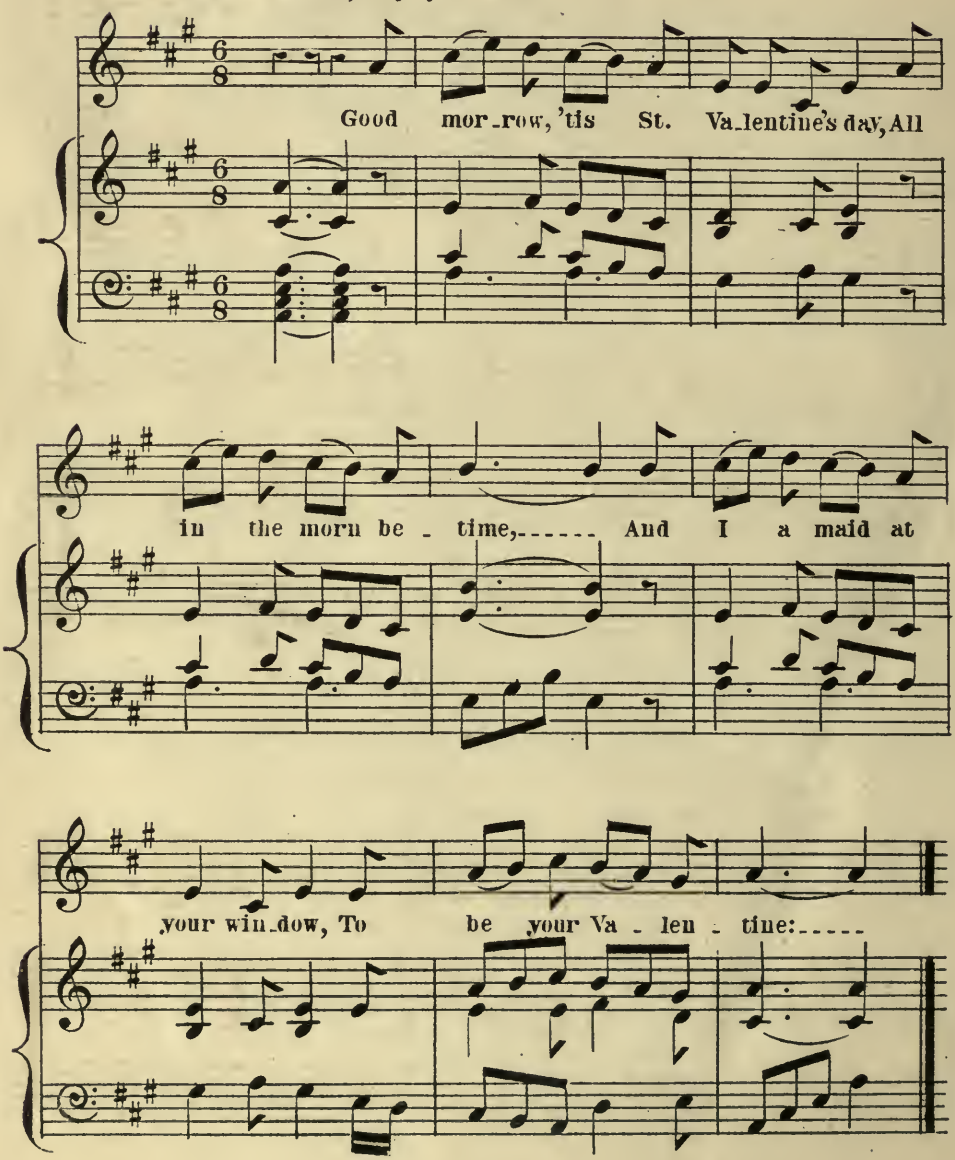
OPHELIA.

Pray, let us have no words of this; but when they ask you what it means, say you this:



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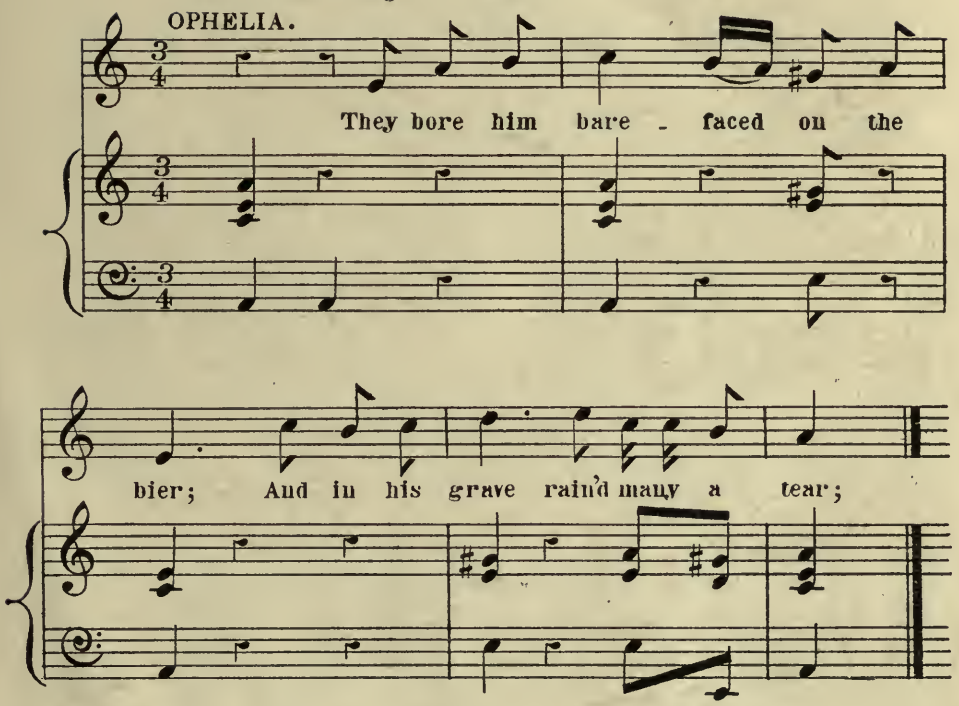
LAERTES.

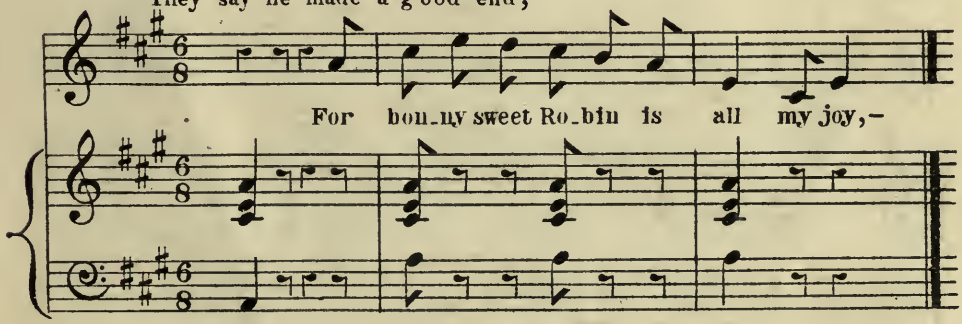
Nature is fine in love: and where 'tis fine,
It sends some precious instance of itself
After the thing it loves.

OPHELIA.



OPHELIA.

There's a daisy: I would give you some violets,
but they withered all when my father died:
They say he made a good end,



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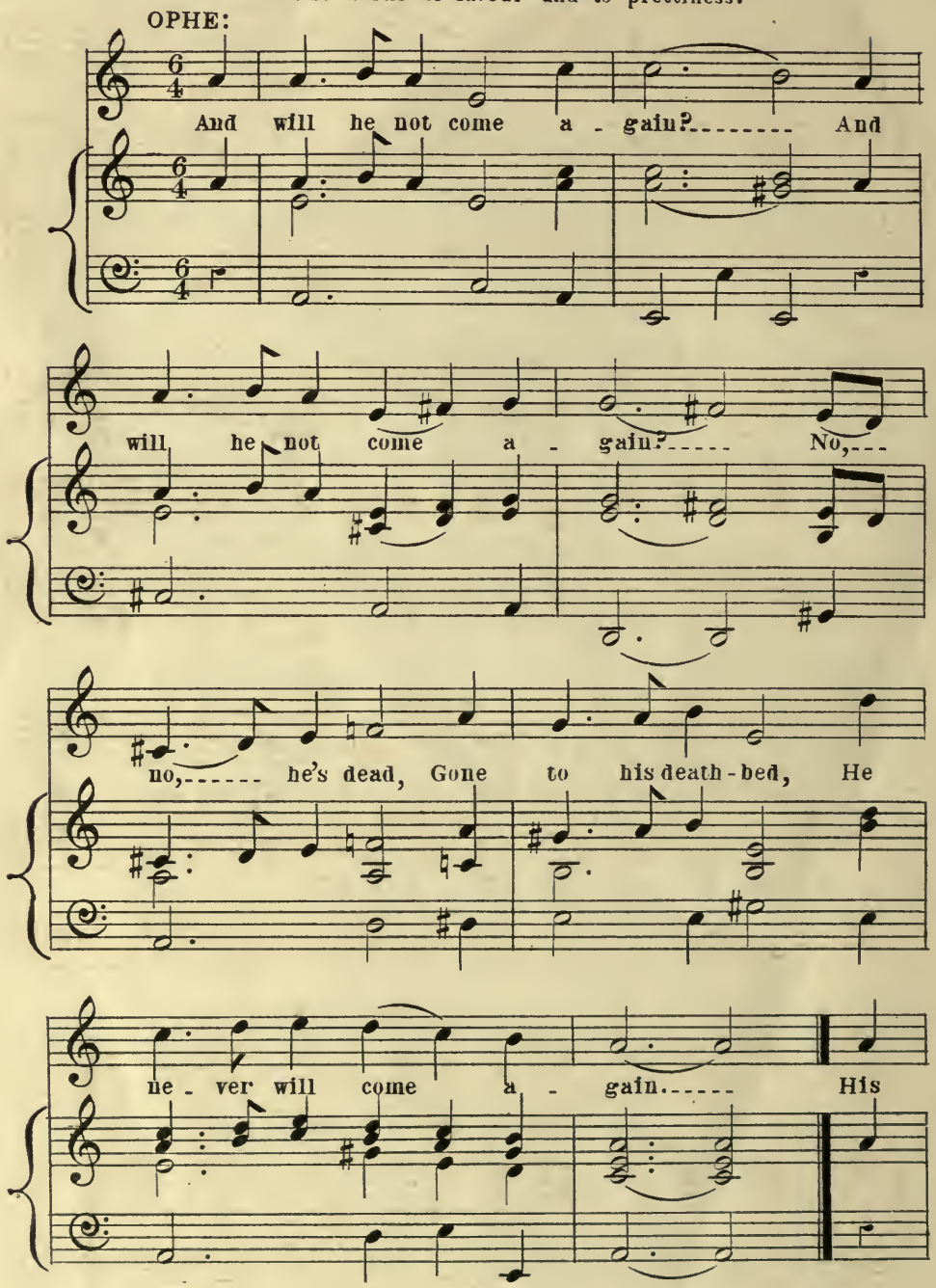
LAERTES.—Thought and affliction, passion, hell itself
She turns to favour and to prettiness.



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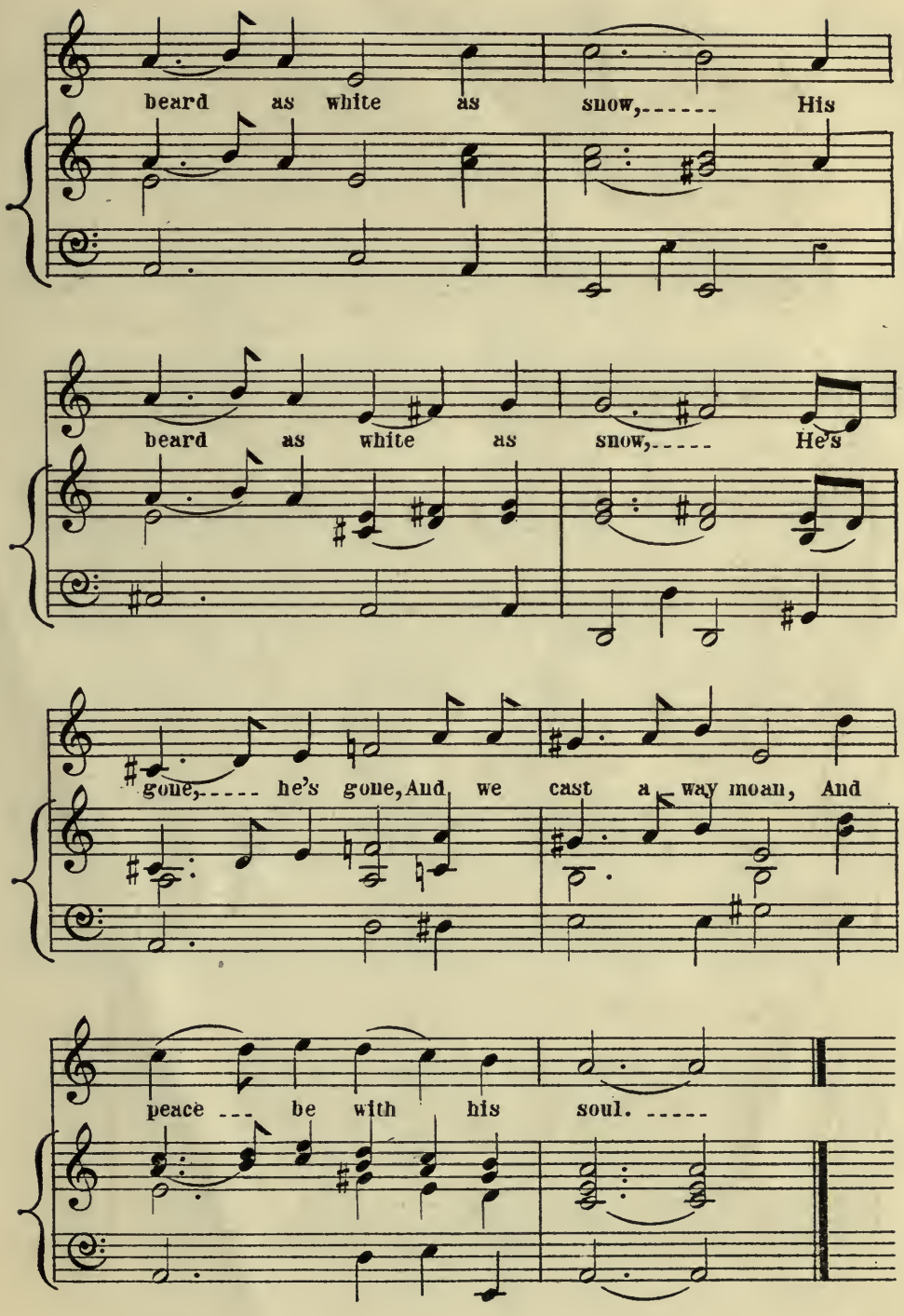

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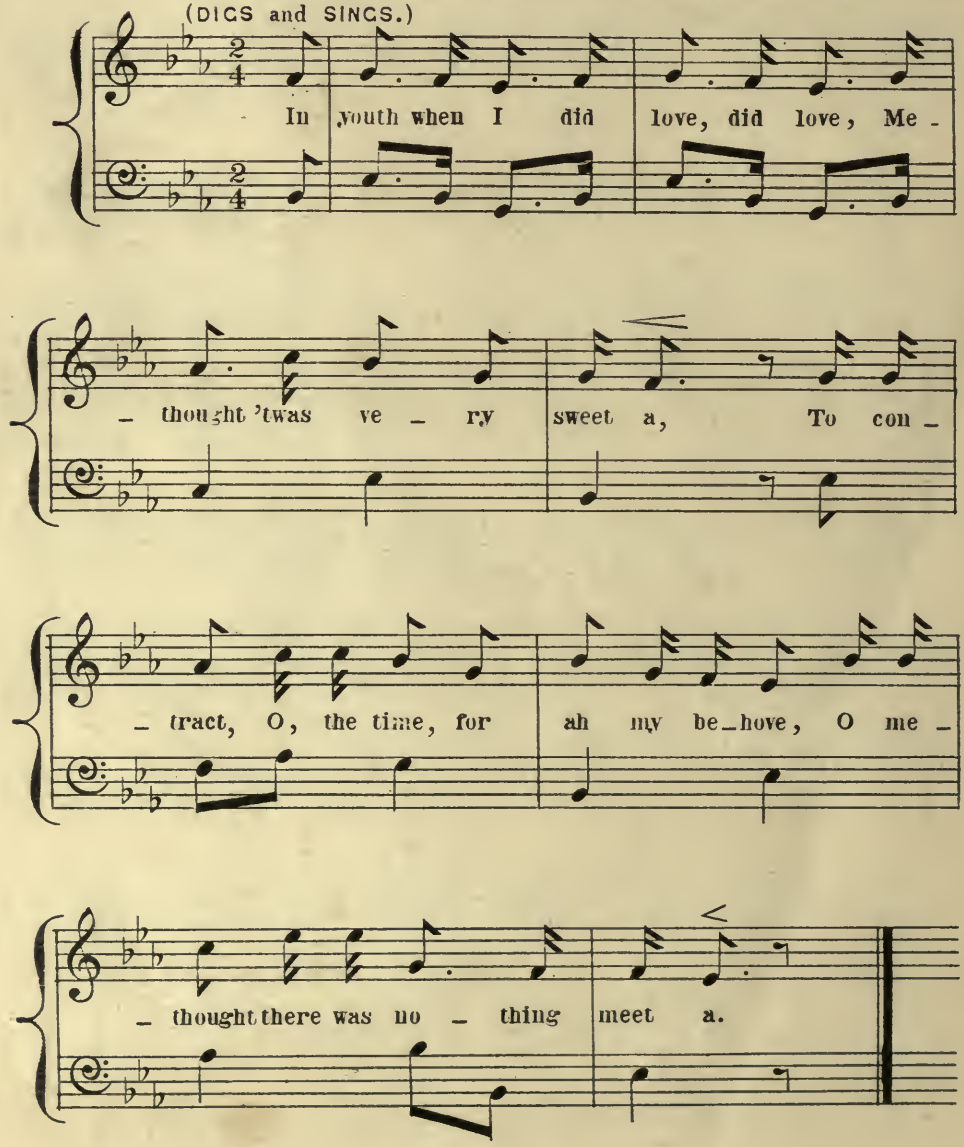
GRAVE DIGGER'S SONG.

Act 5. ___ Scene 1.

Go, get thee to Yaughn, and fetch me a stoup of liquor.

(DIGS and SINGS.)



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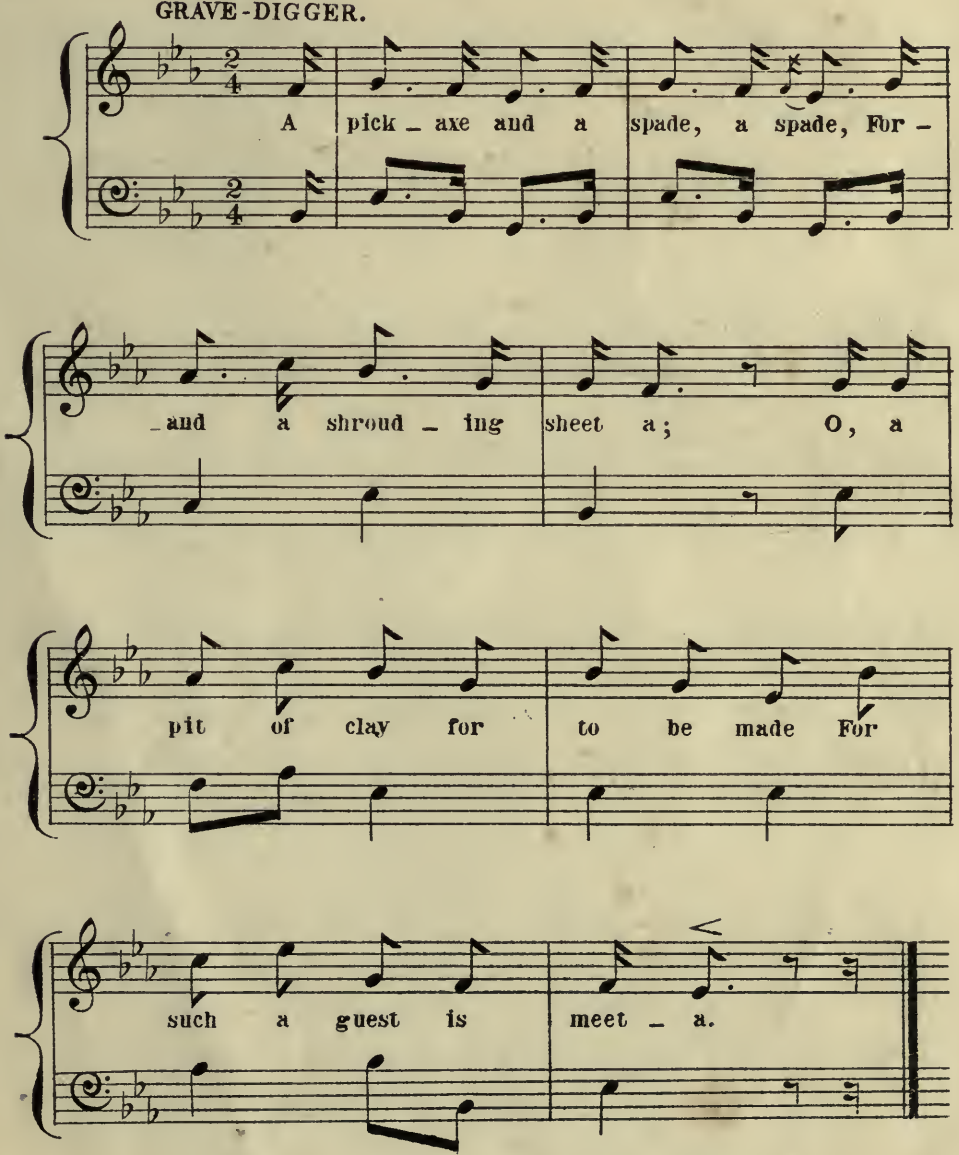
HAMLET. — Did these bones cost no more the breeding, but to play at loggats with them? Mine ache to think on't.

GRAVE-DIGGER.



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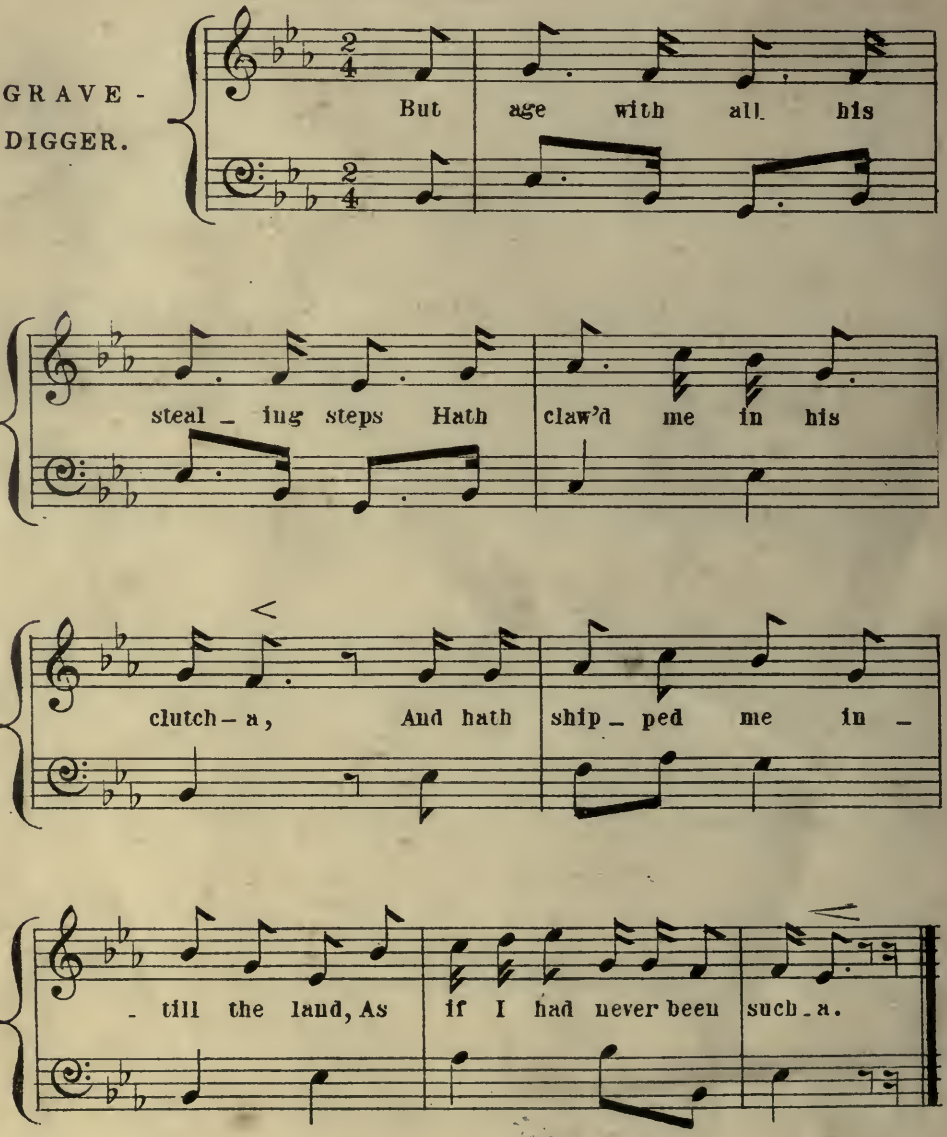
HAMLET. ——— Has this fellow no feeling of his business, he sings at grave-making?

HORATIO. ——— Custom hath it in him a property of easiness.

HAMLET. ——— 'Tis e'en so: the hand of little employment hath the daintier sense.



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