

# 1. Not full twelve years

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Not full twelve years twice told, a wea-ry breath

Not full twelve years twice told, a wea-ry breath I

Figured bass: a r | d r | a | f e | a a | a a r

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I have ex- chang'd for a wish- ed death. My course was short; the long-  
have ex- chang'd for a wish- ed death. My course was short; the

Figured bass: e a r | d a | a b a | d b d | a a | a a | a a | r d

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er is my rest. God takes them soon- est whom he lov- eth best, for  
long- er is my rest. God takes them soon- est whom he lov- eth best, for he that's

Figured bass: d r a | r a | f d | a r | a d r a | a a | e | d d

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he that's born to-day and dies to-mor-row, los-eth some days of  
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r a r a δ r a r δ r a e f e e a b δ b a  
 a a e e r a e r a e e e a b e r  
 b r r e r a δ r r

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mirth, of mirth, of mirth, but months of sor-row. Why  
 mirth, los-eth some days of mirth, but months of sor-row. Why fear we

r r e a δ r a a a b a δ b δ a r δ a a δ  
 e b a a r b δ b δ a r a a a  
 r δ a δ r a b a δ δ r r r a

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fear we death, that cures our sick-ness-es, Au-  
 death, that cures our sick-ness-es, au- thor of

δ a r a r δ f δ r r a r a δ a r a r δ a r a  
 δ a r δ a δ a r a a δ δ e e r a  
 a a r e r a δ δ r

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thor of rest and end of all dis- tress- es? O

rest, and end of all dis- tress- ses? O there mis- for- tunes

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there mis- for- tunes of- ten comes to grieve us. Death

oft comes to grieve us. Death strikes

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strikes but once, and that stroke doth re- lieve us.

but once, and that stroke doth re- lieve us.