

# Songs of the British Isles

## Volume One

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# Drink to me only with thine eyes

BEN JONSON  
1573-1637

Arranged by HEALEY WILLAN

OLD ENGLISH AIR  
Date uncertain

Very smoothly and rather slow

VOICE

PIANO

*p* *cresc.* *p*

*pp*

Drink to me on - ly with thine eyes, And I — will pledge with mine, —

Or leave a kiss with - in — the cup, And I'll — not ask for wine; — The

# The Three Ravens

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**Moderato**

VOICE

PIANO

*mf*

1. There  
2. There

were three ravens sat on a tree, Down - a-down, hey down, hey down; They were as black as  
lies a knight in yon-der field, Down - a-down, hey down, hey down; All foul-ly slain be -

they could be, With a down. And one of them said to his mate, "Now  
- neath his shield, With a down. His hounds a - bout his feet you see, They

where shall we our break-fast take?" With a down der-ry, der-ry, der-ry down, down.  
guard their lord right faith-ful - ly; With a down der-ry, der-ry, der-ry down, down.

*colla voce* *a tempo*

# The Leather Bottel

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**Allegretto giocoso**

VOICE

PIANO

*mf*

1. When
2. Now
3. Then

I sur-vey\_ the world a-round, The won - drous things that do a-bound, The  
what do you say to these cans of wood? Oh, no, in faith, they can-not be good! For  
what do you say to these glass - es fine? Oh, they shall have\_ no praise of mine! For

ships that on\_ the sea do swim To keep our foes that none come in, Ay!  
if the bear - er fall by the way Why, on the ground your liq-uor doth lay; But  
if you chance to touch the brim, Down falls the liquor and all therein; But