



we may roam  
thro' this world

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(1808-1870)

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M. W. Balfe

Allegro

S *mf*  
We may

A *mf*  
We may

T *mf*  
We may

B *mf*  
We may

Allegro

Piano *f*



# we may roam thro' this world

6

S roam thro' this world, like a child at a feast, Who but sips of a sweet, and then

A roam thro' this world, like a child at a feast, Who but sips of a sweet, and then

T roam thro' this world, like a child at a feast, Who but sips of a sweet, and then

B roam thro' this world, like a child at a feast, Who but sips of a sweet, and then

Pno. *p*

9

S flies to the rest; And, when pleas - ure be - gins to grow dull in the east, We may

A flies to the rest; And, when pleas - ure be - gins to grow dull in the east, We may

T flies to the rest; And, when pleas - ure be - gins to grow dull in the east, We may

B flies to the rest; And, when pleas - ure be - gins to grow dull in the east, We may

Pno.

## we may roam thro' this world

12

S or - der our wings and be off to the west; But if hearts, that feel, and *cresc.*

A or - der our wings and be off to the west; But if hearts, that feel, and *cresc.*

T or - der our wings and be off to the west; But if hearts, that feel, and *cresc.*

B or - der our wings and be off to the west; But if hearts, that feel, and *cresc.*

Pno. *cresc.*

15

S eyes, that smile, Are the dear - est gifts that heav'n sup - plies, We

A eyes, that smile, Are the dear - est gifts that heav'n sup - plies, We

T eyes, that smile, Are the dear - est gifts that heav'n sup - plies, We

B eyes, that smile, Are the dear - est gifts that heav'n sup - plies, We

Pno.

# we may roam thro' this world

18

S  
nev - er need leave our own green isle, For sen - si - tive hearts and for

A  
nev - er need leave our own green isle, For sen - si - tive hearts and for

T  
nev - er need leave our own green isle, For sen - si - tive hearts and for

B  
nev - er need leave our own green isle, For sen - si - tive hearts and for

Pno.

21

S  
*f* sun - bright eyes. Then re - mem - ber, wher - ev - er your *pp* gob - let is crown'd, Thro' this

A  
*f* sun - bright eyes. Then re - mem - ber, wher - ev - er your *pp* gob - let is crown'd, Thro' this

T  
*f* sun - bright eyes. Then re - mem - ber, wher - ev - er your *pp* gob - let is crown'd, Thro' this

B  
*f* sun - bright eyes. Then re - mem - ber, wher - ev - er your *pp* gob - let is crown'd, Thro' this

Pno.

## we may roam thro' this world

24

S world wheth - er east - ward or west - ward you roam, When a cup to the smile of dear

A world wheth - er east - ward or west - ward you roam, When a cup to the smile of dear

T world wheth - er east - ward or west - ward you roam, When a cup to the smile of dear

B world wheth - er east - ward or west - ward you roam, When a cup to the smile of dear

Pno.

27

S wom - an goes round, Oh! re - mem - ber the smile which a - dorns her at home.

A wom - an goes round, Oh! re - mem - ber the smile which a - dorns her at home.

T wom - an goes round, Oh! re - mem - ber the smile which a - dorns her at home.

B wom - an goes round, Oh! re - mem - ber the smile which a - dorns her at home.

Pno.

# we may roam thro' this world

S *mf* In —

A *mf* In —

T *mf* In —

B *mf* In

Pno. *f*

35 S Eng - land, the gar - den of beau - ty is kept By a dra - gon of prud - er - y,

A Eng - land, the gar - den of beau - ty is kept By a dra - gon of prud - er - y,

T Eng - land, the gar - den of beau - ty is kept By a dra - gon of prud - er - y,

B Eng - land, the gar - den of beau - ty is kept By a dra - gon of prud - er - y,

35 Pno. *p*

## we may roam thro' this world

38

S plac'd with-in call; But so oft this un - am - i - able dra - gon has slept, That the

A plac'd with-in call; But so oft this un - am - i - able dra - gon has slept, That the

T plac'd with-in call; But so oft this un - am - i - able dra - gon has slept, That the

B plac'd with-in call; But so oft this un - am - i - able dra - gon has slept, That the

Pno.

41

S gar - den's but care - less - ly watch'd af - ter all. Oh! they want the wild, sweet - *cresc.*

A gar - den's but care - less - ly watch'd af - ter all. Oh! they want the wild, sweet - *cresc.*

T gar - den's but care - less - ly watch'd af - ter all. Oh! they want the wild, sweet - *cresc.*

B gar - den's but care - less - ly watch'd af - ter all. Oh! they want the wild, sweet - *cresc.*

Pno.



# we may roam thro' this world

44

S  
brier - y fence, Which round the flow'rs of E - rin dwells, Which

A  
brier - y fence, Which round the flow'rs of E - rin dwells, Which

T  
brier - y fence, Which round the flow'rs of E - rin dwells, Which

B  
brier - y fence, Which round the flow'rs of E - rin dwells, Which

Pno.

47

S  
warns the touch, while win - ning the sense, Nor charms\_ us least, when it

A  
warns the touch, while win - ning the sense, Nor charms\_ us least, when it

T  
warns the touch, while win - ning the sense, Nor charms\_ us least, when it

B  
warns the touch, while win - ning the sense, Nor charms us least, when it

Pno.

## we may roam thro' this world

50

S most re - pels. Then re - mem - ber, wher - ev - er your gob - let is crown'd, Thro' this

A most re - pels. Then re - mem - ber, wher - ev - er your gob - let is crown'd, Thro' this

T most re - pels. Then re - mem - ber, wher - ev - er your gob - let is crown'd, Thro' this

B most re - pels. Then re - mem - ber, wher - ev - er your gob - let is crown'd, Thro' this

Pno. *f* *pp*

53

S world wheth - er east - ward or west - ward you roam, When a cup to the smile of dear

A world wheth - er east - ward or west - ward you roam, When a cup to the smile of dear

T world wheth - er east - ward or west - ward you roam, When a cup to the smile of dear

B world wheth - er east - ward or west - ward you roam, When a cup to the smile of dear

Pno. *f* *pp*

# we may roam thro' this world

56

S  
wom - an goes round, Oh! re - mem - ber the smile which a - dorns her at home.

A  
wom - an goes round, Oh! re - mem - ber the smile which a - dorns her at home.

T  
wom - an goes round, Oh! re - mem - ber the smile which a - dorns her at home.

B  
wom - an goes round, Oh! re - mem - ber the smile which a - dorns her at home.

Pno.

S  
In

A  
In

T  
In

B  
In

Pno.

## we may roam thro' this world

64

S  
France when the heart of a wom - an sets sail On the o - cean of wed - lock its for - tune to try, Love

A  
France when the heart of a wom - an sets sail On the o - cean of wed - lock its for - tune to try, Love

T  
France when the heart of a wom - an sets sail On the o - cean of wed - lock its for - tune to try, Love

B  
France when the heart of a wom - an sets sail On the o - cean of wed - lock its for - tune to try, Love

Pno.  
*p*

68

S  
sel - dom goes far in a ves - sel so frail, But just pi - lots her off, and then

A  
sel - dom goes far in a ves - sel so frail, But just pi - lots her off, and then

T  
sel - dom goes far in a ves - sel so frail, But just pi - lots her off, and then

B  
sel - dom goes far in a ves - sel so frail, But just pi - lots her off, and then

Pno.

# we may roam thro' this world

71

S bids her good - bye! While the daugh - ters of E - rin keep the boy Ev - er

A bids her good - bye! While the daugh - ters of E - rin keep the boy Ev - er

T bids her good - bye! While the daugh - ters of E - rin keep the boy Ev - er

B bids her good - bye! While the daugh - ters of E - rin keep the boy Ev - er

Pno.

74

S smil - ing be - side his faith - ful oar, Thro' bil-lows of woe and beams of joy The

A smil - ing be - side his faith - ful oar, Thro' bil-lows of woe and beams of joy The

T smil - ing be - side his faith - ful oar, Thro' bil-lows of woe and beams of joy The

B smil - ing be - side his faith - ful oar, Thro' bil-lows of woe and beams of joy The

Pno.

## we may roam thro' this world

78

S same as he look'd, when he left the shore. Then re - mem - ber, wher - ev - er your

A same as he look'd, when he left the shore. Then re - mem - ber, wher - ev - er your

T same as he look'd, when he left the shore. Then re - mem - ber, wher - ev - er your

B same as he look'd, when he left the shore. Then re - mem - ber, wher - ev - er your

Pno.

81

S gob - let is crown'd, Thro' this world wheth - er east - ward or west - ward you roam, When a

A gob - let is crown'd, Thro' this world wheth - er east - ward or west - ward you roam, When a

T gob - let is crown'd, Thro' this world wheth - er east - ward or west - ward you roam, When a

B gob - let is crown'd, Thro' this world wheth - er east - ward or west - ward you roam, When a

Pno.

# we may roam thro' this world

84

S cup to the smile of dear wom - an goes round, Oh! re - mem - ber the smile which a -

A cup to the smile of dear wom - an goes round, Oh! re - mem - ber the smile which a -

T cup to the smile of dear wom - an goes round, Oh! re - mem - ber the smile which a -

B cup to the smile of dear wom - an goes round, Oh! re - mem - ber the smile which a -

Pno.

87

S dorns her at home, which a - dorns her at home. *p rall.*

A dorns her at home, which a - dorns her at home. *p rall.*

T dorns her at home, which a - dorns her at home. *p rall.*

B dorns her at home, which a - dorns her at home. *p rall.*

Pno. *pp rall.*

**Michael William Balfe** (1808-1870) was born in Dublin, Ireland, and studied music in Ireland and London. At age 16, he became violinist in the Drury Lane orchestra and was celebrated as a singer throughout the region. His patron, Count Mazzara, took him to Italy, where he studied composition in Rome and Milan. His first dramatic piece was produced in Milan in 1826. He sang at the Paris Italian Opera and in Italian theaters until 1835, also producing several Italian operas, and sang in New York City in 1834. He returned to England and was a successful composer of English operas, at times residing in Paris and Vienna. He retired in 1864 and died in Rowney Abbey, Hertfordshire. His compositions include a number of operas, cantatas, glees, and part-songs.

We may roam thro' this world, like a child at a feast,  
Who but sips of a sweet, and then flies to the rest;  
And, when pleasure begins to grow dull in the east,  
We may order our wings and be off to the west;  
But if hearts, that feel, and eyes, that smile,  
Are the dearest gifts that heaven supplies,  
We never need leave our own green isle,  
For sensitive hearts and for sun-bright eyes.  
Then remember, wherever your goblet is crown'd,  
Thro' this world whether eastward or westward you roam,  
When a cup to the smile of dear woman goes round,  
Oh! remember the smile which adorns her at home.

In England, the garden of beauty is kept  
By a dragon of prudery, plac'd within call;  
But so oft this unamiable dragon has slept,  
That the garden's but carelessly watch'd after all.  
Oh! they want the wild, sweet-briery fence,  
Which round the flowers of Erin dwells,  
Which warns the touch, while winning the sense,  
Nor charms us least, when it most repels.  
Then remember, wherever your goblet is crown'd,  
Thro' this world whether eastward or westward you roam,  
When a cup to the smile of dear woman goes round,  
Oh! remember the smile which adorns her at home.

In France, when the heart of a woman sets sail  
On the ocean of wedlock its fortune to try,  
Love seldom goes far in a vessel so frail,  
But just pilots her off, and then bids her good-bye!  
While the daughters of Erin keep the boy  
Ever smiling beside his faithful oar,  
Through billows of woe and beams of joy  
The same as he look'd, when he left the shore.  
Then remember, wherever your goblet is crown'd,  
Thro' this world whether eastward or westward you roam,  
When a cup to the smile of dear woman goes round,  
Oh! remember the smile which adorns her at home.

Thomas Moore (1779–1852)

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