



Folly's Song

Percy Eastman Fletcher
(1879-1932)

Percy Eastman Fletcher (1879-1932) born in Derby, Derbyshire, England. He was successful as a musical director in various theaters in London, including the Prince of Wales, Savoy, and Drury Lane theaters. He directed at His Majesty's Theater from 1915 until his death in 1932. He was also a performer on organ, piano, and violin. He composed numerous ballads, choral works, orchestral suites, piano music, marches, pieces for organ, and works for military band. Several of his compositions were performed as test pieces for the British National Band Championships. In 1926, he created what some consider his most serious work for the championships, *An Epic Symphony*. It was brought back as a test piece for the National Championships of 1938, 1951, and 1976.

Folly's Song.

When wedding fiddles are a-playing,
Huzza for folly O!
And when maidens go a-Maying,
Huzza for folly O!
When a milk-pail is upset,
Huzza for folly O!
And the clothes left in the wet,
Huzza for folly O!
When the barrel's set abroach,
Huzza for folly O!
When Kate Eyebrow keeps a coach,
Huzza for folly O!
When the pig is over-roasted,
Huzza for folly O!
And the cheese is over-toasted,
Huzza for folly O!
When Sir Snap is with his lawyer,
Huzza for folly O!
And Miss Chap has kiss'd the sawyer,
Huzza for folly O!

John Keats (1795-1821)

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With a jolly, rhythmic swing ♩ = 100

S Huz - za for fol - ly O!

A Huz - za for fol - ly O!

T Huz - za for fol - ly O!

B *mf* When wed - ding fid - dles are a - play - ing, for fol - ly O!

S Huz - za for fol - ly O!

A And when maid - ens go a - May - ing, for fol - ly O!

T Huz - za for fol - ly O!

B Huz - za for fol - ly O!

S *cresc.* Huz - za, huz - za for fol - ly O! _____

A *cresc.* Huz - za, huz - za for fol - ly O! _____

T *cresc.* When the milk - pail is up - set, Huz - za! _____

B *cresc.* When the milk - pail is up - set, Huz - za! _____

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7 *sf* And the clothes left in the wet, *mp* Huz - za for fol - ly O! *cresc.* Huz -

A *sf* *mp* Huz - za for fol - ly O!

T *sf* And the clothes left in the wet, *mp* Huz - za for fol - ly O!

B *sf* *mp* Huz - za for fol - ly O!

9 *f* za! Huz - za for fol - ly O!

A *cresc.* *f* Huz - za for fol - ly O! Huz - za for fol - ly O!

T *cresc.* *f* Huz - za for fol - ly O! Huz - za for fol - ly O!

B *cresc.* *f* Huz - za for fol - ly O! Huz - za for fol - ly O!

12 *mf* Huz - za for fol - ly O!

A *mf* Huz - za for fol - ly O!

T *mf* Huz - za for fol - ly O!

B *mf* When the bar - rel's set a - broach, for fol - ly O!

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S Huz - za for fol - ly O!

A When Kate Eye - brow keeps _____ a _____ coach, for fol - ly O!

T Huz - za for fol - ly O!

B Huz - za for fol - ly O!

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S _____

A _____ And the cheese is o - ver - toast - ed,

T When the pig is o - ver - roast - ed, And the cheese is o - ver - toast - ed,

B When the pig is o - ver - roast - ed, _____ *cresc.* Huz -

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S *cresc.* When Sir Snap is with his law - yer, And Miss Chip has kiss'd the saw - yer,

A *cresc.* When Sir Snap is with his law - yer, And Miss Chip has kiss'd the saw - yer,

T *cresc.* When Sir Snap is with his law - yer, And Miss Chip has kiss'd the saw - yer,

B _____ *f* za for fol - ly O! Huz - za for fol - ly O! Huz -

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S *f* Huz - za _____ for fol - ly O!

A *f* Huz - za _____ for fol - ly O!

T *f* Huz - za _____ for fol - ly O!

B za, _____ huz - za for fol - ly O! Huz -

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S Huz - za _____ for fol - ly O!

A Huz - za _____ for fol - ly O!

T Huz - za _____ for fol - ly O!

B za, _____ huz - za for fol - ly O!

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S *mp* Fol - ly O! _____ *mf* Fol - ly O! _____

A *mp* Fol - ly O! _____ *mf* Fol - ly O! _____ When

T *mp* Fol - ly O! _____ *mf* And the cheese is o - - - ver -

B *mf* When the pig is o - - - ver - roast - ed, _____ And the

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S Fol - ly O! And when maid - ens go a -

A wed - ding fid - dles are a - play - ing, And when maid - ens go a -

T toast - ed, O! for fol - ly O! for fol - ly O! When

B cheese is o - - - ver - toast - ed. When

mf *cresc.* *cresc.* *cresc.* *f*

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S May - ing, and when maid - ens go a - May - ing, maid - ens

A May - ing, and when maid - ens go a - May - ing, maid - ens

T wed - ding fid - dles are a - play - ing, wed - ding fid - dles are a - play - ing,

B wed - ding fid - dles are a - play - ing, wed - ding fid - dles are a - play - ing,

f

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S go a - May - ing, go a - May - ing, Huz -

A go a - May - ing, go a - May - ing, Huz -

T Maid - ens go a - May - ing, go a - May - ing, Huz -

B Maid - ens go a - May - ing, go a - May - ing, Huz -

ff

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S
za _____ for fol - ly O! _____ Huz - za! _____

A
za _____ for fol - ly O! _____ Huz - za! _____

T
za _____ for fol - ly O! _____ Huz - za! _____

B
za _____ for fol - ly O! _____ Huz - za! _____

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