



The Merry Spring

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(1867-1923)

Albert G. Sliffe (1867-1923) was born in Tuscarawas County, Ohio. He became well known as a tenor vocalist and assisted in concerts throughout the region. He and his sister Ella taught school music in Sugarcreek, Ohio, and he was a member of the Shanesville City Council. He died in Sugarcreek. His few compositions were small songs for educational use.

Now the merry spring is here,
Spring to ev'ry one so dear;
Cold and gloom are driv'n away
By the warm sun's cheerful ray.
Merry birds and busy bees
Flit about the trees;
Soaring as they hum and sing,
For they love the pleasant spring.

Ev'ry bright and sunny day,
Over hill and dale we stray;
And upon the village green,
Merry gambol's may be seen.
Bat and ball and cricket bold,
As the days unfold;
Oh, what pleasure does it bring,
Merry, gentle, balmy spring.

See the blackbird now is here.
Making music far and near;
See the yellow buttercup,
On the green is springing up.
See the orchard trees in bloom,
Violets shed perfume;
Let us join the mirth and sing,
Cheerful songs for happy spring.

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WA. G. Sliffe

S *f* Now the mer - ry — spring is here, *p* Spring to ev - 'ry one — so — dear;

A *f* Now the mer - ry — spring is here, *p* Spring to ev - 'ry one so dear;

T *f* Now the mer - ry spring is here, *p* Spring to ev - 'ry one so dear;

B *f* Now the mer - ry spring is here, *p* Spring to ev - 'ry one so dear;

S ⁵ *f* Cold and gloom are — driv'n a - way By the warm sun's cheer - ful — ray.

A *f* Cold and gloom are — driv'n a - way By the warm sun's cheer - ful ray.

T *f* Cold and gloom are driv'n a - way By the warm sun's cheer - ful ray.

B *f* Cold and gloom are driv'n a - way By the warm sun's cheer - ful ray.

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9 *mf*

S Mer - ry birds and bus - y bees Flit a - bout the trees;

A Mer - ry birds and bus - y bees Flit a - bout the trees;

T *mf*
8 Mer - ry birds and bus - y bees Flit a - bout the trees;

B *mf*
8 Mer - ry birds and bus - y bees Flit a - bout the trees;

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S Soar - ing as they hum and sing, — For they love the plea - sant spring.

A Soar - ing as they hum and sing, — For they love the plea - sant spring.

T *mf*
8 Soar - ing as they hum and sing, — For they love the plea - sant spring.

B *mf*
8 Soar - ing as they hum and sing, — For they love the plea - sant spring.

17 *f* *p*

S Ev - 'ry bright and sun - ny day, O - ver hill and dale we stray;

A *f* *p*
8 Ev - 'ry bright and sun - ny day, O - ver hill and dale we stray;

T *f* *p*
8 Ev - 'ry bright and sun - ny day, O - ver hill and dale we stray;

B *f* *p*
8 Ev - 'ry bright and sun - ny day, O - ver hill and dale we stray;

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21 *f*

S And up - on the vil - lage green, Mer - ry gam - bol's may be seen.

A And up - on the vil - lage green, Mer - ry gam - bol's may be seen.

T *f*

B *f*

And up - on the vil - lage green, Mer - ry gam - bol's may be seen.

25 *mf*

S Bat and ball and crick - et bold, As the days un - fold;

A *mf*

T *mf*

B *mf*

Bat and ball and crick - et bold, As the days un - fold;

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S Oh, what plea - sure does it bring, Mer - ry, gen - tle, balm - y spring.

A Oh, what plea - sure does it bring, Mer - ry, gen - tle, balm - y spring.

T Oh, what plea - sure does it bring, Mer - ry, gen - tle, balm - y spring.

B Oh, what plea - sure does it bring, Mer - ry, gen - tle, balm - y spring.

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S *f* See the black - bird now is here. *p* Mak - ing mu - sic far and near;

A *f* See the black - bird now is here. *p* Mak - ing mu - sic far and near;

T *f* See the black - bird now is here. *p* Mak - ing mu - sic far and near;

B *f* See the black - bird now is here. *p* Mak - ing mu - sic far and near;

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S *f* See the yel - low but - ter - cup, On the green is spring - ing up.

A *f* See the yel - low but - ter - cup, On the green is spring - ing up.

T *f* See the yel - low but - ter - cup, On the green is spring - ing up.

B *f* See the yel - low but - ter - cup, On the green is spring - ing up.

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S *mf* See the or - chard trees in bloom, Vio - lets shed per - fume;

A *mf* See the or - chard trees in bloom, Vio - lets shed per - fume;

T *mf* See the or - chard trees in bloom, Vio - lets shed per - fume;

B *mf* See the or - chard trees in bloom, Vio - lets shed per - fume;

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S
Let us join the mirth and sing, — Cheer - ful songs for hap - py spring.

A
Let us join the mirth and sing, — Cheer - ful songs for hap - py spring.

T
8
Let us join the mirth and sing, — Cheer - ful songs for hap - py spring.

B
Let us join the mirth and sing, — Cheer - ful songs for hap - py spring.

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