



VICTORIAN WOMEN

Six Four-part Songs Op. 30
No. 3

The Bee

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Mounsey

Bartholomew

(1811-1891)

The Bee

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S *p* O do not kill that Bee That thus hath wound - ed

A *p* O do not kill that Bee That thus hath wound - ed

T *p* O do not kill that Bee That thus hath wound - ed

B *p* O do not kill that Bee That thus hath wound - ed

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S thee! do not, do not,

A thee! do not, do not, do not, do not,

T thee! do not, do not,

B thee! O do not, do not, do not,



The Bee

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S do not kill that Bee, *più f* O do not kill that

A do not kill that Bee, *più f* O do not kill that

T do not kill that Bee, *più f* O do not kill that

B do not kill that Bee That thus hath wound - - - ed

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S Bee That thus hath wound - ed thee! *f* O

A Bee That thus hath wound - ed thee, *f* hath wound - ed

T Bee That wound - - - ed thee! *f* O

B thee! That thus hath wound - - - ed thee! *f* O do not

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S do not kill, do not kill, do not kill that Bee!

A thee! do not kill, do not kill that Bee!

T do not kill, do not kill that Bee!

B kill, do not kill, do not kill that Bee!

The Bee

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S Sweet, it was no De - spite, But Hue did him de -

A Sweet, it was no De - spite, But Hue did him de -

T Sweet, it was no De - spite, But Hue did him de -

B Sweet, it was no De - spite, But ___ Hue did him _____ de -

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S ceive: For when thy ___ Lips did close, He

A ceive: For when thy Lips _____ did close, He deem - ed

T ceive: For when thy Lips _____ did close, He deem - ed

B ceive: For ___ when thy Lips did close, He

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S deem - ed ___ them a ___ Rose. What wouldst thou fur - ther crave? What

A them a Rose. *cresc.* What wouldst thou fur - ther crave? What wouldst thou

T them _____ a Rose. *cresc.* What wouldst thou fur - ther crave? What wouldst thou

B deem - ed them a Rose.

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S wouldst thou fur - ther_ crave? He, want - ing Wit, and

A fur - ther crave? He, want - ing Wit, and

T fur - ther crave?

B He, want - ing Wit, and blind - ed with De - light, and

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S blind - ed with De - light, Would fain have kiss'd, would

A blind - ed_ with De - light, Would fain, would fain have kiss'd, would

T Would fain have kiss'd, would

B blind - ed_ with De - light, Would fain have kiss'd, would

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S fain have kiss'd, but mad with Joy did bite, did bite, did

A fain have kiss'd, but mad with Joy did bite, with Joy did bite, did bite, but

T fain have kiss'd, but mad with Joy did bite, did bite, did bite, but

B fain have kiss'd, but mad with Joy did bite, but mad_

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S *f* bite, mad with Joy did bite. *p* O

A *cresc.* mad with Joy did bite, *f* but mad with Joy did bite. *p* O do not

T *cresc.* mad with Joy did bite, *f* but mad with Joy did bite. *p* O

B *cresc.* — with Joy did bite, did bite, did bite. *p* O do not

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S do not kill that bee That thus hath wound - ed thee!

A kill that bee That thus hath wound - ed thee!

T do not kill that bee That thus hath wound - ed thee!

B kill that bee That thus hath wound - ed thee! O do not,

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S do not, do not, do not kill that Bee, *più f* O

A do not, do not, do not, do not, do not kill that Bee, *più f* O do not

T do not, do not, do not kill that Bee, *più f* O do not

B do not, do not, do not kill that Bee That thus hath

The Bee

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S do not kill that Bee That thus hath wound - ed thee! O

A kill that Bee That thus hath wound - ed thee! O do not

T kill that Bee That wound - ed thee! O

B wound - ed thee! That thus hath wound - ed thee! O do not

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S do not kill, do not kill, do not kill that Bee, do not kill,

A kill, do not kill, do not kill that Bee, do not kill,

T do not kill, do not kill that Bee,

B kill, do not kill, do not kill that Bee, O

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S do not kill, do not kill, do not kill that Bee!

A do not kill, do not kill, do not kill that Bee!

T O do not kill that Bee!

B do not kill, do not kill that Bee!

Ann Sheppard Mounsey Bartholomew (1811–91) was born in London and studied organ early in life. After 1828 she became the organist at various London churches, serving at St. Vedast Foster Lane for nearly fifty years. In 1845 she was accompanist at the premiere of Mendelssohn's anthem "Hear My Prayer." In 1853 she married its librettist, William Bartholomew (1793–1867). After her marriage she taught music in London and worked as a composer.

O do not kill that Bee
That thus hath wounded thee!
Sweet, it was no Despite,
But Hue did him deceive:
For when thy Lips did close,
He deemed them a Rose.
What wouldst thou further crave?
He, wanting Wit, and blinded with Delight,
Would fain have kiss'd, but mad with Joy did bite.

William Drummond of Hawthornden (1585-1649)

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