



The
Sea King's Bride

Henry Leslie
(1822-1896)

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Allegretto ♩ = 80

S *mf* From your cor - al cham - bers speed ye, Gold - haired daugh - ters of the sea;

A *mf* From your cor - al cham - bers speed ye, Gold - haired daugh - ters of the sea;

T *mf* From your cor - al cham - bers speed ye, Gold - haired daugh - ters of the sea;

B *mf* From your cor - al cham - bers speed ye, Gold - haired daugh - ters of the sea;

5
S Bear your wealth of pearl and am - ber, Bring the gift and bend the knee!

A Bear your wealth of pearl and am - ber, Bring the gift and bend the knee!

T Bear your wealth of pearl and am - ber, Bring the gift and bend the knee!

B Bear your wealth of pearl and am - ber, Bring the gift and bend the knee!

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9 *cresc.*
S Come ye o'er the sil - v'ry tide, Hom - age pay the Sea King's Bride;
A *cresc.*
Come ye o'er the sil - v'ry tide, Hom - age pay the Sea King's Bride;
T *cresc.*
Come ye o'er the sil - v'ry tide, Hom - age pay the Sea King's Bride;
B *cresc.*
Come ye o'er the sil - v'ry tide, Hom - age pay the Sea King's Bride;

13
S Come ye o'er the sil - v'ry tide,
A Come ye o'er the sil - v'ry tide,
T *8* Come ye o'er the sil - v'ry tide,
B Come ye o'er the sil - v'ry tide,

17 *f*
S Hom - age pay the Sea King's Bride.
A *f*
Hom - age pay the Sea King's Bride.
T *f* *8*
Hom - age pay the Sea King's Bride.
B *f*
Hom - age pay the Sea King's Bride.

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21 *mf*

S From the lakes and leaf - y co - verts Where ye nymphs and dry - ads dwell,

A From the lakes and leaf - y co - verts Where ye nymphs and dry - ads dwell,

T From the lakes and leaf - y co - verts Where ye nymphs and dry - ads dwell,

B From the lakes and leaf - y co - verts Where ye nymphs and dry - ads dwell,

25

S Cull the fresh wild flow'rs of Na - ture, Leaf and bud from dale and dell.

A Cull the fresh wild flow'rs of Na - ture, Leaf and bud from dale and dell.

T Cull the fresh wild flow'rs of Na - ture, Leaf and bud from dale and dell.

B Cull the fresh wild flow'rs of Na - ture, Leaf and bud from dale and dell.

29 *cresc.*

S From the haunts where - in ye hide, Come, sa - lute the Sea King's Bride;

A From the haunts where - in ye hide, Come, sa - lute the Sea King's Bride;

T From the haunts where - in ye hide, Come, sa - lute the Sea King's Bride;

B From the haunts where - in ye hide, Come, sa - lute the Sea King's Bride;

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S From the haunts where - in ye hide,

A From the haunts where - in ye hide,

T From the haunts where - in ye hide,

B From the haunts where - in ye hide,

37

S Come, sa - lute the Sea King's Bride.

A Come, sa - lute the Sea King's Bride.

T Come, sa - lute the Sea King's Bride.

B Come, sa - lute the Sea King's Bride.

41

S Lo! she comes, the beau - teous maid - en, Bright - ly beam her az - ure eyes;

A Lo! she comes, the beau - teous maid - en, Bright - ly beam her az - ure eyes;

T Lo! she comes, the beau - teous maid - en, Bright - ly beam her az - ure eyes;

B Lo! she comes, the beau - teous maid - en, Bright - ly beam her az - ure eyes;

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S Gleams the gold, her soft hair flow - ing, Love's sweet blush_ her young cheek dyes.

A Gleams the gold, her soft hair flow - ing, Love's sweet blush_ her young cheek dyes.

T Gleams the gold, her soft hair flow - ing, Love's sweet blush_ her young cheek dyes.

B Gleams the gold, her soft hair flow - ing, Love's sweet blush her young cheek dyes.

49 *cresc.*

S Sea maids, wood nymphs, blend your songs, To your race the bride be - longs;

A *cresc.* Sea maids, wood nymphs, blend your songs, To your race the bride be - longs;

T *cresc.* Sea maids, wood nymphs, blend your songs, To your race the bride be - longs;

B *cresc.* Sea maids, wood nymphs, blend your songs, To your race the bride be - longs;

53

S Loved and lov - ing, O - cean's pride,

A Loved and lov - ing, O - cean's pride,

T Loved and lov - ing, O - cean's pride,

B Loved and lov - ing, O - cean's pride,

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S
Is the fair young Sea King's Bride.

A
Is the fair young Sea King's Bride.

T
Is the fair young Sea King's Bride.

B
Is the fair young Sea King's Bride.

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Henry David Leslie (1822-1896) was born in London, England. He studied the cello as a youth, later playing in the Sacred Harmonic Society. In 1855, he organized an a cappella singing society. The society grew to 200 voices and became known as "Henry Leslie's Choir." The choir won numerous international competition prizes and enjoyed a strong reputation for singing unaccompanied music, both ancient and modern. He also became conductor of the Guild of Amateur Musicians. In 1864, Leslie established a National College of Music, but the college survived only two years. In 1878, Leslie and others made another attempt to form a national music school. This effort was successful, becoming the predecessor of the Royal College of Music. After he retired, he founded the Oswestry School of Music and its Festival of Village Choirs. Throughout his life, he was a champion of amateur choral musicians. He composed symphonies, oratorios, sacred works as well as chamber music, piano music and many part-songs.

From your coral chambers speed ye,
Gold-haired daughters of the sea;
Bear your wealth of pearl and amber,
Bring the gift and bend the knee!
Come ye o'er the silvery tide,
Homage pay the Sea King's Bride;
Come ye o'er the silvery tide,
Homage pay the Sea King's Bride.

From the lakes and leafy coverts
Where ye nymphs and dryads dwell,
Cull the fresh wild flowers of Nature,
Leaf and bud from dale and dell.
From the haunts wherein ye hide,
Come, salute the Sea King's Bride;
From the haunts wherein ye hide,
Come, salute the Sea King's Bride.

Lo! she comes, the beauteous maiden,
Brightly beam her azure eyes;
Gleams the gold, her soft hair flowing,
Love's sweet blush her young cheek dyes.
Sea maids, wood nymphs, blend your songs,
To your race the bride belongs;
Loved and loving, Ocean's pride,
Is the fair young Sea King's Bride.

Arthur Matthison (1826–1883)

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