



The  
Garrison Crow

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(1839-1913)

**William Webster Pearson** (1839-1913) was born at Bishop Auckland, Durham, England. He was a chorister of York Minster, but was mainly a self-taught musician. He served as organist and choirmaster of Elmhurst Parish Church, Norfolk; was violinist with a quintet at East Dereham; taught violin at Norfolk County School, Dereham; served as master of music and art at Watts' Naval College, North Elmham; was conductor of numerous bands; and a teacher of violin, organ, and piano. He invented a system of sight-singing called "Substitution of Pitch" or "Staff Tonic Sol-Fa" and developed a staff modulator to aid the learning of sight-singing. His compositions include anthems, organ works, piano pieces, songs, dance music, a cantata for female voices, and part songs. A number of his part songs were very popular. He was also a skilled amateur artist, painting in oil and watercolor. He died at South Walsham, Norfolk.

A carrion crow once sat on an oak,  
Folderollay, Sing folderollay!  
Watching a tailor shape his cloak,  
Folderollay, Sing folderollay!  
Wife, bring me my old bent bow,  
Folderollay, Sing folderollay!  
That I may shoot yon carrion crow!  
Folderollay, Sing folderollay!  
Sing hey, sing ho!  
The carrion crow!

The tailor he shot, and miss'd his mark,  
Folderollay, Sing folderollay!  
And shot his old sow right through the heart,  
Folderollay, Sing folderollay!  
Wife, bring me brandy in a spoon,  
Folderollay, Sing folderollay!  
For our old sow is in a swoon!  
Folderollay, Sing folderollay!  
Sing hey derry doon!  
The sow and the spoon!

Nursery Rhyme

# The Carrion Crow

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Allegretto

S *mf* A car - ri - on crow once sat on an oak, \_\_\_\_\_

A *mf* A car - ri - on crow once sat on an oak, \_\_\_\_\_

T *mf* A car - ri - on crow once sat on an oak, \_\_\_\_\_ sat on an oak, \_\_\_\_\_ sat on an oak,

B *mf* A car - ri - on crow once sat on an oak, \_\_\_\_\_ sat on an oak, \_\_\_\_\_ sat on an oak,

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S *f* Sing fol - de - rol - lay.

A *f* Fol - de - rol - lay, \_\_\_\_\_ Sing fol - de - rol - lay.

T *f* Fol - de - rol - lay, \_\_\_\_\_ Sing fol - de - rol - lay.

B *f* Fol - de - rol - lay, \_\_\_\_\_ fol - de - rol - lay, \_\_\_\_\_ fol - de - rol - lay, Sing fol - de - rol - lay.



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10 *mf*

S Watch - ing a tai - lor shape\_ his cloak,

A Watch - ing a tai - lor shape his cloak,

T Watch - ing a tai - lor shape\_ his cloak, shape\_ his cloak, shape his cloak,

B Watch - ing a tai - lor shape his cloak, shape his cloak,

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S Sing fol - de - rol - lay!

A Fol - de - rol - lay, Sing fol - de - rol - lay!

T Fol - de - rol - lay, Sing fol - de - rol - lay!

B *f* Fol - de - rol - lay, fol - de - rol - lay, fol - de - rol - lay, Sing fol - de - rol - lay!

18 *pp*

S Fol - de - rol - lay, fol - de - rol - lay, fol - de - rol - lay, fol - de - rol - lay,

A *pp* Fol - de - rol - lay, fol - de - rol - lay, fol - de - rol - lay, fol - de - rol - lay,

T *mf* Wife, bring me my old bent bow, That I may shoot yon car - ri - on crow;

B *pp* Fol - de - rol - lay,

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22 *cresc.*

S fol - de - rol - lay, fol - de - rol - lay, fol - de - rol - lay, fol - de - rol - lay!

A *cresc.*  
fol - de - rol - lay, fol - de - rol - lay, fol - de - rol - lay, fol - de - rol - lay!

T *cresc.*  
Wife, bring me my old bent bow, That I may shoot yon car - rion crow, That *mf*

B *cresc.*  
fol - de - rol - lay, fol - de - rol - lay, fol - de - rol - lay, fol - de - rol - lay!

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S *p* Sing hey, sing ho! *p* Sing hey, sing ho!

A *p* Sing hey, sing ho! *p* Sing hey, sing ho!

T I may shoot yon car - rion crow, That *f*

B *p* Sing hey, sing ho! *p* Sing hey, sing ho!

30 *mf*

S Sing hey! Sing hey, sing ho! Sing hey, sing

A *mf* Sing hey! Sing hey, sing ho! Sing hey, sing

T I may shoot, that I may shoot, that I may shoot, may *f*

B *mf* Sing hey! Sing hey, sing ho! Sing hey, sing

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S ho! \_\_\_\_\_ sing ho! \_\_\_\_\_ *ff* Sing hey, sing ho! The car - ri - on

A ho! \_\_\_\_\_ sing ho! \_\_\_\_\_ *ff* Sing hey, sing ho! The car - ri - on

T soot, \_\_\_\_\_ may shoot, \_\_\_\_\_ *ff* that I may shoot yon car - ri - on

B ho! \_\_\_\_\_ sing ho! \_\_\_\_\_ *ff* Sing hey, sing ho! The car - ri - on

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S crow! *p* Sing hey, sing ho! The car - rion crow! *f* Sing hey, sing ho! The car - ri - on

A crow! *p* Sing hey, sing ho! The car - rion crow! *f* Sing hey, sing ho! The car - ri - on

T crow! *p* Sing hey, sing ho! The car - rion crow! *f* Sing hey, sing ho! The car - ri - on

B crow! *p* Sing hey, sing ho! The car - rion crow! *f* Sing hey, sing ho! The car - ri - on

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S crow! *p* Sing hey, sing ho! The car - rion crow! *f* Sing hey, sing ho! The car - ri - on

A crow! *p* Sing hey, sing ho! The car - rion crow! *f* Sing hey, sing ho! The car - ri - on

T crow! *p* Sing hey, sing ho! The car - rion crow! *f* Sing hey, sing ho! The car - ri - on

B crow! *p* Sing hey, sing ho! The car - rion crow! *f* Sing hey, sing ho! The car - ri - on

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S *ff* crow! Sing hey, sing hey, sing ho! Sing hey, sing ho!

A *ff* crow! Sing hey, sing hey, sing ho! Sing hey, sing ho!

T *ff* crow! Sing ho! Sing hey, sing hey, sing ho! Sing hey, sing ho!

B *ff* crow! Sing ho! Sing hey, sing hey, sing ho! Sing hey, sing ho!

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S *ff* The car - rion crow!

A *ff* The car - rion crow! Sing hey, sing hey, sing ho!

T *ff* The car - rion crow! Sing hey, sing hey, sing ho!

B *ff* The car - rion crow!

S *mf* The tai - lor he shot, and miss'd his mark,

A *mf* The tai - lor he shot, and miss'd his mark,

T *mf* The tai - lor he shot, and miss'd his mark, miss'd his mark, miss'd his mark,

B *mf* The tai - lor he shot, and miss'd his mark, miss'd his mark, miss'd his mark,

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S *f* Sing fol - de - rol - lay, *mf* And

A *f* Fol - de - rol - lay, *f* Sing fol - de - rol - lay, *mf* And

T *f* Fol - de - rol - lay, *f* Sing fol - de - rol - lay, *mf* And

B *f* Fol - de - rol - lay, *f* fol - de - rol - lay, *f* fol - de - rol - lay, *f* Sing fol - de - rol - lay, *mf* And

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S *mf* shot his old sow right through the heart,

A *mf* shot his old sow right through the heart,

T *mf* shot his old sow right through the heart, through the heart, through the heart,

B *mf* shot his old sow right through the heart, through the heart,

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S *f* Sing fol - de - rol - lay!

A *f* Fol - de - rol - lay, *f* Sing fol - de - rol - lay!

T *f* Fol - de - rol - lay, *f* Sing fol - de - rol - lay!

B *f* Fol - de - rol - lay, *f* fol - de - rol - lay, *f* fol - de - rol - lay, *f* Sing fol - de - rol - lay!



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71 *pp*

S Fol - de - rol - lay, fol - de - rol - lay, fol - de - rol - lay, fol - de - rol - lay,

A *pp*  
Fol - de - rol - lay, fol - de - rol - lay, fol - de - rol - lay, fol - de - rol - lay,

T *mf*  
Wife, bring me bran - dy in a spoon, For our old sow is in a swoon,

B *pp*  
Fol - de - rol - lay,

75 *cresc.*

S fol - de - rol - lay, fol - de - rol - lay, fol - de - rol - lay, fol - de - rol - lay!

A *cresc.*  
fol - de - rol - lay, fol - de - rol - lay, fol - de - rol - lay, fol - de - rol - lay!

T *cresc.*  
Wife, bring me bran - dy in a spoon, For our old sow is in a swoon, For

B *cresc.*  
fol - de - rol - lay, fol - de - rol - lay, fol - de - rol - lay, fol - de - rol - lay!

79 *p*

S Sing hey der-ry doon! Sing hey der-ry doon!

A *p*  
Sing hey der-ry doon! Sing hey der-ry doon!

T *f*  
our old sow is in a swoon, For

B *p*  
Sing hey der-ry doon! Sing hey der-ry doon!

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S *mf* Sing hey! Sing hey der-ry doon! Sing hey! Sing

A *mf* Sing hey! Sing hey der-ry doon! Sing hey! Sing

T our old sow, for our old sow is in a swoon, a

B *mf* Sing hey! Sing hey der-ry doon! Sing hey! Sing

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S hey der-ry doon! Sing hey der-ry doon! The sow and the

A hey der-ry doon! Sing hey der-ry doon! The sow and the

T swoon, a swoon! For our old sow is in a

B hey der-ry doon! Sing hey der-ry doon! The sow and the

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S *p* spoon! Sing hey der-ry doon! The sow and the spoon! *f* Sing hey der-ry doon! The sow and the

A *p* spoon! Sing hey der-ry doon! The sow and the spoon! *f* Sing hey der-ry doon! The sow and the

T *p* swoon! Sing hey der-ry doon! The sow and the spoon! *f* Sing hey der-ry doon! The sow and the

B *p* spoon! Sing hey der-ry doon! The sow and the spoon! *f* Sing hey der-ry doon! The sow and the

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S spoon! *p* Sing hey der-ry doon! *f* The sow and the spoon! Sing hey der-ry doon! The sow and the

A spoon! *p* Sing hey der-ry doon! *f* The sow and the spoon! Sing hey der-ry doon! The sow and the

T spoon! *p* Sing hey der-ry doon! *f* The sow and the spoon! Sing hey der-ry doon! The sow and the

B spoon! *p* Sing hey der-ry doon! *f* The sow and the spoon! Sing hey der-ry doon! The sow and the

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S spoon! *ff* Sing hey der - ry, hey der - ry doon!

A spoon! *ff* Sing hey der - ry, hey der - ry doon!

T spoon! Sing hey! *ff* Sing hey der - ry, hey der - ry doon!

B spoon! Sing hey! *ff* Sing hey der - ry, hey der - ry doon!

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S *ff* The sow and the spoon!

A *ff* The sow and the spoon! Sing hey der - ry, hey der - ry doon!

T *ff* The sow and the spoon! Sing hey der - ry, hey der - ry doon!

B *ff* The sow and the spoon!

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