



The maiden
of the
‘Fleur de Lys’

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(1847-1891)

Edwin Augustus Sydenham (1847-1891) started his musical training as a choirboy at the Parish Church, Stratford-on-Avon; later, he studied at Leipzig Conservatorium. Over his career, he held organist positions at St. Martin's, Dorking; St. Andrew's Farnham; St. James', Bury St. Edmund's; and All Saints', Scarborough. He was very active as teacher and performer. Sydenham was also known as the inventor of a patent touch regulator for the pianoforte. His compositional output includes a number of anthems, an Evening Service, solo piano works, duets for harmonium and piano, pieces for violin and piano, cello and piano, and a number of part-songs.

Near an ancient hostelrie,
Lived a maiden fair to see,
Oh! she sang bewitchingly
Trilla, lilla, lee.

Courtly knights and nobles gay
Heard her sing her pretty lay,
Flattering, foolish words would say,
Gaily laughed she.

Came one day a squire fair,
Handsome, honest, debonair,
He would wed this songstress rare,
Much in love was he.

But, she aimed at higher game,
Hearts of nobles sought to tame;
Scoffed and mocked when-e'er he came,
And answered saucily.

So he left her for her pride,
No lord sought her for his bride,
And a maid she lived and died,
Near the "Fleur de Lys."

Mary Freer

The maiden of the "Fleur de Lys"

E. A. Sydenham

Allegretto

S *mf* Near an an - cient hos - tel - rie, Liv'd a mai - den fair to see,

A *mf* Near an an - cient hos - tel - rie, Liv'd a mai - den fair to see, —

T *mf* Near an an - cient hos - tel - rie, Liv'd a mai - den fair to see, —

B *mf* Near an an - cient hos - tel - rie, Liv'd a mai - den fair to see,

5 S *f* Oh! she sang be - witch - ing - ly *mf* Tril - la, lil - la, lee.

A *f* Oh! she sang be - witch - ing - ly *mf* Tril - la, lil - la, lee.

T *f* Oh! she sang be - witch - ing - ly *mf* Tril - la, lil - la, lee.

B *f* Oh! she sang be - witch - ing - ly *mf* Tril - la, lil - la, lee.

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S *f* Court - ly knights and no - bles gay Heard her sing her

A *f* Court - ly knights and no - bles gay Heard her sing her

T *f* Court - ly knights and no - bles gay Heard her sing

B *f* Court - ly knights and no - bles gay Heard her sing her

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S pret - ty lay, Flat - t'ring, fool - ish words would say,

A pret - ty lay, Flat - t'ring, fool - ish words would say,

T — her lay, Flat - t'ring, fool - ish words would say,

B pret - ty lay, Flat - t'ring, fool - ish words would say,

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S *ff* Gai - ly laugh - ed she. *mf* Came one day a squire fair,

A *ff* Gai - ly laugh - ed she. *mf* Came one day a squire fair,

T *ff* Gai - ly laugh - ed she. *mf* Came one day a squire fair,

B *ff* Gai - ly laugh - ed she. *mf* Came one day a squire fair,

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S Hand - some, hon - est, de - bon - air, He would wed this

A Hand - some, hon - est, de - bon - air, He would wed this

T Hand - some, hon - est, de - bon - air, He would wed this

B Hand - some, hon - est, de - bon - air, He would wed this

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S *p* *meno mosso* song - stress rare, Much in love was he.

A *p* *meno mosso* song - stress rare, Much in love was he.

T *p* *meno mosso* song - stress rare, Much in love was he.

B *p* *meno mosso* song - stress rare, Much in love was he.

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S *a tempo* *ff* But, she aim'd at high - er game,

A *a tempo* *ff* But, she aim'd at high - er game,

T *a tempo* *ff* But, she aim'd at high - er game,

B *a tempo* *ff* But, she aim'd at high - er game,

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S Hearts of no - bles sought to tame; Scoff'd and mock'd when -

A Hearts of no - bles sought to tame; Scoff'd and mock'd when -

T Hearts of no - bles sought to tame; Scoff'd and mock'd when -

B Hearts of no - bles sought to tame; Scoff'd and mock'd when -

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S e'er he came, And an - swer'd sau - ci - ly.

A e'er he came, And an - swer'd sau - ci - ly.

T e'er he came, And an - swer'd sau - ci - ly,

B e'er he came, And an - swer'd sau - ci - ly, And

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S *rall.* *p* *meno mosso* So he left her for her pride,

A *rall.* *p* *meno mosso* So he left her for her pride,

T *rall.* *p* *meno mosso* an - swer'd sau - ci - ly. So he left her for her pride,

B *rall.* *p* *meno mosso* an - swer'd sau - ci - ly. So he left her for her pride,

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S No lord sought her for his bride, And a maid she

A No lord sought her for his bride, And a maid she

T No lord sought her for his bride, And a maid she

B No lord sought her for his bride, And a maid she

mf *rall.*

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S liv'd and died, Near the "Fleur de Lys."

A liv'd and died, Near the "Fleur de Lys."

T liv'd and died, Near the "Fleur de Lys."

B liv'd and died, Near the "Fleur de Lys."

p *Tempo 1*

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