

# XXIV. Faine would I wed a faire yong man

## Cantus

Thomas Campion (1567-1620)



Faine would I wed a faire yong man, that day and night could please mee:  
When my mind or body grieved, that had the powre to ease mee.



Maids are full of longing thoughts that breed a bloudlesse  
And that oft I heare men say, is onely cur'd by



sicknesse: Oft I have beene woo'd and prai'd, but never could be  
quicknesse. Many for a day or so I have most dearly



mov'd: But this foolish mind of mine straight loaths the thing resolv'd.  
lov'd; If to love be sinne in mee, that sinne is soone absolv'd.



Sure I thinke I shall at last flye to some holy Order;  
when I once am setled there then can I flye no farther:



Yet I would not dye a maid because I had a mother.  
As I was by one brought forth I would bring forth another.

## Bassus.



<sup>1</sup>Original is a dotted half.

<sup>2</sup>Original is a quarter note.

<sup>3</sup>Bass repeats three times