

# Strike it up, Tabor

SST a cappella

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(ca. 1557-1602)

**CANTUS**  
(Soprano I)

**TENOR**  
(Soprano II)

**BASSUS**  
(Tenor)

**(Allegro)**

Strike it up Lu - sty Dick Ta - bor and pipe us a with thy  
fa - vor, thou nap - kin, the  
fa - vor, thou shalt be well paid for thy la - bor:  
nap - kin, the stitch - ing cost me but a dod - kin, la - bor: I  
la - bor: I  
shalt be well paid, well paid for thy la - bor:  
stitch - ing cost me, cost me but a dod - kin, la - bor:  
la - bor:  
shalt stitch - be well paid for thy la - bor:  
stitch - ing cost me but a dod - kin, la - bor:  
la - bor:

**SOURCE:** Ayeres or Phantasticke Spirites for Three Voices (1608)

**NOTES:** Barlines, slurs added, language modernized. Tempo markings are editorial. In the original, m. 8 does not exist, and there is a repeat mark after the third beat in measure 9.  
Measure 12, verse 2, the word 'Mar-tin' was a quarter note and has been written as 2 eighth notes.

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mean to spend my shoe— sole to dance a - bout the May - pole, I will be blithe and  
Mor-ris were half and— one, Wert not for Mar-tin of Comp - ton, O well said Jig - ging

mean to spend my shoe— sole to dance a - bout the May - pole, I will be blithe and  
Mor-ris were half and— one, Wert not for Mar-tin of Comp - ton, O well said Jig - ging

to dance a - bout the May - pole, I will be blithe and  
Wert not for Mar-tin of Comp - ton, O well said Jig - ging

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brisk, leap and skip, hop and trip, turn a - bout in the rout, un -  
Al'ce, Pret - ty Jill, stand you still, Dap-per Jack, means to smack, how

brisk, blithe and brisk, I'll leap and skip, hop and trip, turn a - bout in the rout, un -  
Al'ce, Jig - ging Al'ce, O Pret - ty Jill, stand you still, Dap-per Jack, means to smack, how

brisk, leap and skip, hop and trip, turn a - bout in the rout, un - til  
Al'ce, Pret - ty Jill, stand you still, Dap-per Jack, means to smack, how now,

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til ve - ry wea - ry, wea - ry joints can scarce frisk. I frisk.  
now, fie, fie, fie, fie, fie, fie, you dance false. the false.

til ve - ry wea - ry, wea - ry joints can scarce frisk. I frisk.  
now, fie, fie, fie, fie, fie, fie, you dance false. the false.

ve - ry wea - - - ry joints can scarce frisk.  
fie, fie, fie, fie, fie, fie, you dance false. frisk.  
false. false.