



April showers

John L. Hatton
(1809-1886)

Allegretto ♩ = 160

S
Pat - ter, pat - ter! Pat - ter, pat - ter! Let it

A
Pat - ter, pat - ter! Pat - ter, pat - ter! Let it

T
Pat - ter, pat - ter! Pat - ter, pat - ter! Let it

B
Pat - ter, pat - ter! Pat - ter, pat - ter! Let it

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S pour, let it pour; *p* Pat - ter, pat - ter! Pat - ter, pat - ter!

A pour, let it pour; *p* Pat - ter, pat - ter! Pat - ter, pat - ter!

T pour, let it pour; *p* Pat - ter, pat - ter!

B pour, let it pour; *p* Pat - ter, pat - ter!

7

S *f* Let it roar, let it roar.

A *f* Let it roar, let it roar.

T *f* Pat - ter, pat - ter! *f* Let it roar, let it roar. *ff* > Down the

B *f* Pat - ter, pat - ter! *f* Let it roar, let it roar. *ff* > Down the

10

S *ff* > Down the hill - side let it

A *ff* > Down the hill - side let it

T steep roof let it rush, *ff* > Down the hill - side let it

B steep roof let it rush, *ff* > Down the hill - side let it

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13 *p dolce*

S gush; 'Tis the wel - come A - pril show'r, Bring - ing forth the sweet May -

A gush; 'Tis the wel - come A - pril show'r, Bring - ing forth the sweet May -

T gush; 'Tis the wel - come A - pril show'r, Bring - ing forth the sweet May -

B gush;

17

S flow'r, Bring - ing forth the sweet May - flow'r.

A flow'r, Bring - ing forth the sweet May - flow'r.

T flow'r, Bring - ing forth the sweet May - flow'r.

B *p dolce*
Bring - ing forth the sweet May - flow'r.

22 *p* *f*

S Pat - er, pat - ter! Pat - ter, pat - ter! Let it

A Pat - er, pat - ter! Pat - ter, pat - ter! Let it

T Pat - er, pat - ter! Pat - ter, pat - ter! Let it

B Pat - er, pat - ter! Pat - ter, pat - ter! Let it

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S pour, let it pour; Pat - ter, pat - ter! Pat - ter, pat - ter!

A pour, let it pour; Pat - ter, pat - ter! Pat - ter, pat - ter!

T pour, let it pour; Pat - ter, pat - ter!

B pour, let it pour; Pat - ter, pat - ter!

28

S Let it roar, let it roar.

A Let it roar, let it roar.

T Pat - ter, pat - ter! Let it roar, let it roar. Let the

B Pat - ter, pat - ter! Let it roar, let it roar. Let the

31

S Let the peal - ing thun - der

A Let the peal - ing thun - der

T glanc - ing light - ning flash, Let the peal - ing thun - der

B glanc - ing light - ning flash, Let the peal - ing thun - der

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34 *p dolce*

S crash; 'Tis the wel - come A - pril show'r, Bring - ing forth the sweet May -

A crash; 'Tis the wel - come A - pril show'r, Bring - ing forth the sweet May -

T crash; 'Tis the wel - come A - pril show'r, Bring - ing forth the sweet May -

B crash;

38

S flow'r, Bring - ing forth the sweet May - flow'r.

A flow'r, Bring - ing forth the sweet May - flow'r.

T flow'r, Bring - ing forth the sweet May - flow'r.

B *p dolce*
Bring - ing forth the sweet May - flow'r.

43 *p* *f*

S Pat - ter, pat - ter! Pat - ter, pat - ter! Let it

A *p* *f*
Pat - ter, pat - ter! Pat - ter, pat - ter! Let it

T *p* *f*
Pat - ter, pat - ter! Pat - ter, pat - ter! Let it

B *p* *f*
Pat - ter, pat - ter! Pat - ter, pat - ter! Let it

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S pour, let it pour; Pat - ter, pat - ter! Pat - ter, pat - ter!

A pour, let it pour; Pat - ter, pat - ter! Pat - ter, pat - ter!

T pour, let it pour; Pat - ter, pat - ter!

B pour, let it pour; Pat - ter, pat - ter!

49

S Let it roar, let it roar.

A Let it roar, let it roar.

T Pat - ter, pat - ter! Let it roar, let it roar. Soon the

B Pat - ter, pat - ter! Let it roar, let it roar. Soon the

52

S Soon will come a bright Spring

A Soon will come a bright Spring

T clouds will burst a - way, Soon will come a bright Spring

B clouds will burst a - way, Soon will come a bright Spring

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55 *p dolce*

S day, Soon the wel - come A - pril show'rs, Will bring forth the sweet May -

A day, Soon the wel - come A - pril show'rs, Will bring forth the sweet May -

T day, Soon the wel - come A - pril show'rs, Will bring forth the sweet May -

B day,

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S flow'rs, Will bring forth the sweet May - flow'rs.

A flow'rs, Will bring forth the sweet May - flow'rs.

T flow'rs, Will bring forth the sweet May - flow'rs.

B *p dolce*
Will bring forth the sweet May - flow'rs.

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(1860-1885)

John Liptrot Hatton (1809-1886) was born in Liverpool. He received a rudimentary music education as a child, but was essentially a self-taught musician. He held several appointments as organist in Liverpool and appeared as an actor on the Liverpool stage. He relocated to London in 1832 as a member of Macready's company at Drury Lane and began to establish himself as a composer. His first operetta, "Queen of the Thames", was successful in 1844; he then went to Vienna and brought out his opera "Pascal Bruno." He wrote several songs on his return to England and appeared at the Hereford festival as a singer. He also undertook piano concert tours at this time. From 1848 to 1850 he was in America, giving public and private concerts in New York City. Notably, in 1848, he shared the stage in Pittsburgh, PA with Stephen C. Foster. Returning to England, he became conductor of the Glee and Madrigal Union and director of music at the Princess's Theatre, London. He wrote operas, cantatas, incidental music, anthems, cathedral pieces, and many songs. His part-songs were regarded as some of the best of the genre. Hatton's daughter, Frances J. Hatton, emigrated to Canada in 1869, where she became a respected composer and the singing instructor at the Hellmuth Ladies College in London, Ontario.

Patter, patter! let it pour;
Patter, patter! let it roar.
Down the steep roof let it rush,
Down the hillside let it gush;
'Tis the welcome April shower,
Bringing forth the sweet May-flower.

Patter, patter! let it pour;
Patter, patter! let it roar.
Let the glancing lightning flash,
Let the pealing thunder crash;
'Tis the welcome April shower,
Bringing forth the sweet May-flower.

Patter, patter! let it pour;
Patter, patter! let it roar.
Soon the clouds will burst away,
Soon will come a bright spring day,
Soon the welcome April showers,
Will bring forth the sweet May-flowers.

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Dalton & Clark
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