

Henry Smart (1813-1879) Henry Thomas Smart (1813-1879) was born in London, son of a music publisher, orchestra director and violinist. He declined a commission in the Indian army and planned to work in law, but he gave it up for a musical career. He was organist of Blackburn parish church; St. Giles-without-Cripplegate; St. Luke's, Old Street; and finally of St. Pancras New Church. He was the music editor for Psalms and Hymns for Divine Worship (1867), the Presbyterian Hymnal (1875), and the hymn book of the United Presbyterian Church of Scotland. He was a recognized authority on organs and designed many instruments, including those in the City Hall and St. Andrew's Hall in Glasgow, Scotland, and the Town Hall in Leeds. Smart was highly rated as a composer by his contemporaries, especially his organ works and part-songs. His best-known compositions are now probably the hymn tune "Regent Square", commonly sung with the words "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation" and "Angels from the Realms of Glory". In the last fifteen years of his life Smart was practically blind. He composed by dictation, primarily to his daughter.

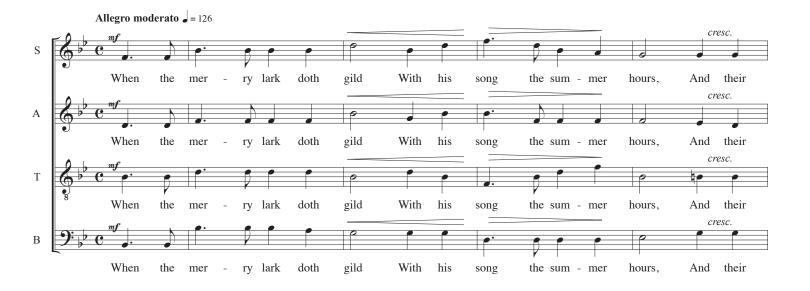
When the merry lark doth gild
With his song the summer hours,
And their nests the swallows build
In the roofs and tops of towers;
And the golden broom-flower burns
All about the waste,
And the maiden May returns
With a pretty haste—
Then, how merry are the times,
The Summer times! the Spring times!

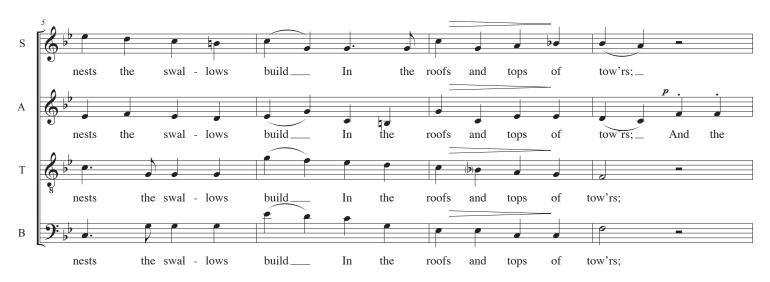
Now, from off his ashy stone
The chilly midnight cricket crieth,
And all merry birds are flown,
And our dream of pleasure dieth;
Now the once blue laughing sky
Saddens into gray,
And the frozen rivers sigh,
Pining all away!
Now, how solemn are the times!
The Winter times! the Night times!

Yet be merry: all around
Is through one vast change revolving:
Even Night, who lately frowned,
Is in paler dawn dissolving:
Earth will burst her fetters strange,
And in spring grow free:
All things in the world will change,
Save—my love to thee!
Sing then, hopeful are all times!
Winter, Summer, Spring times!

Bryan Waller Procter (1787-1874) (under pseud. Barry Cornwall)

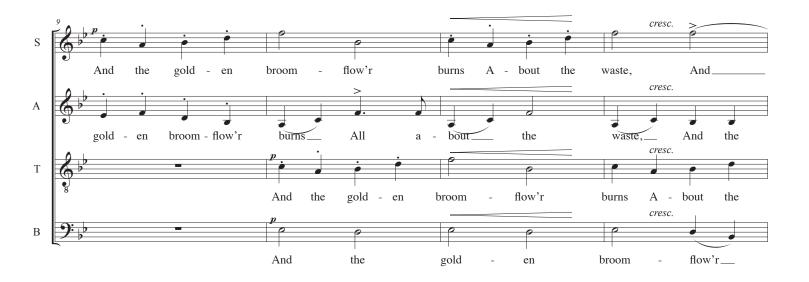
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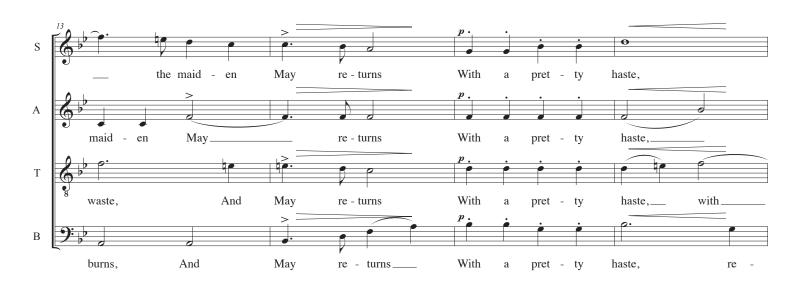


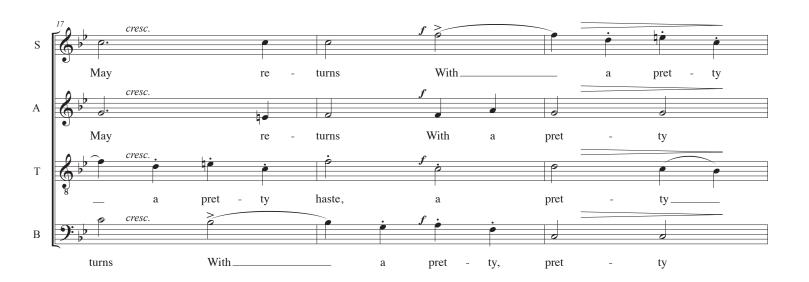


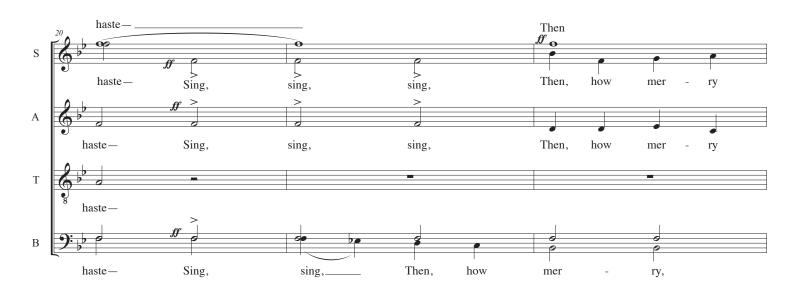


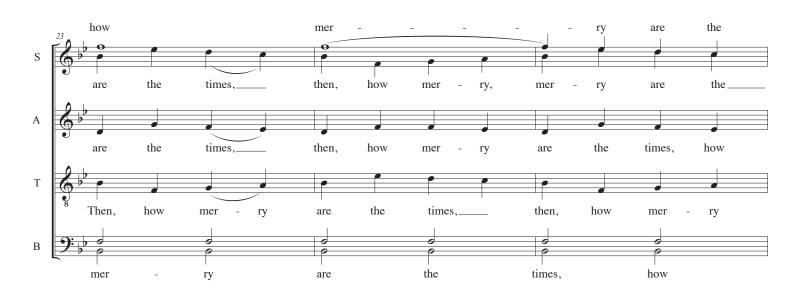
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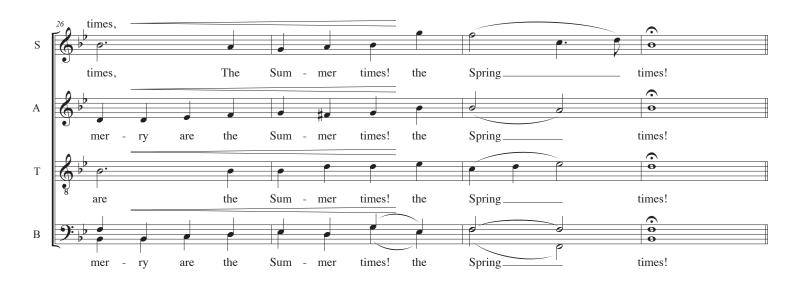


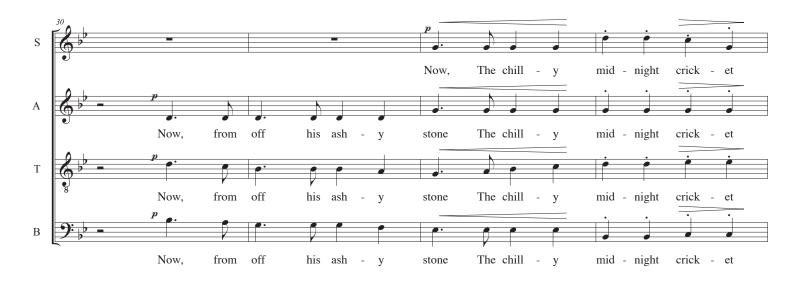


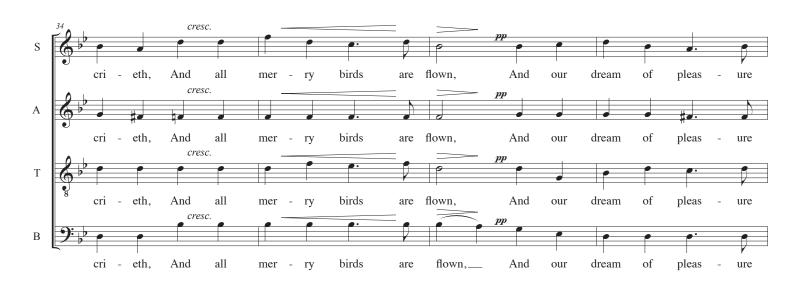




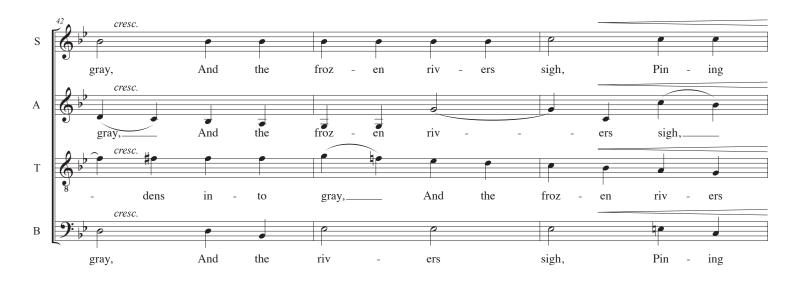


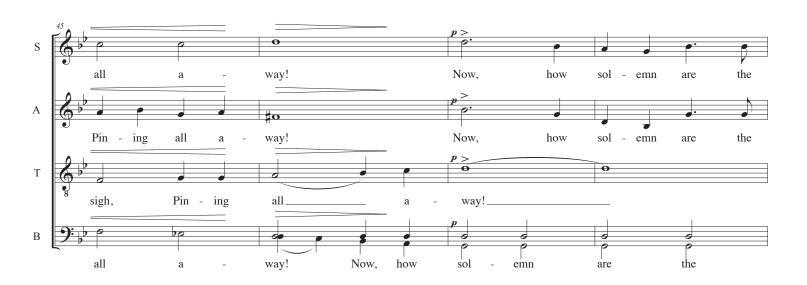


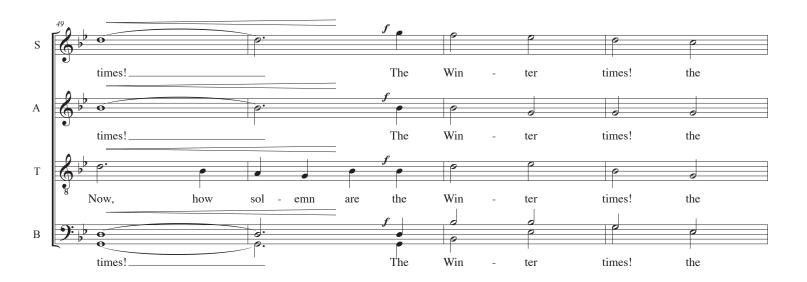


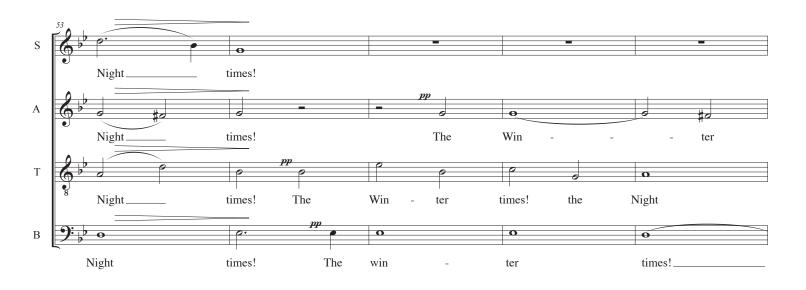


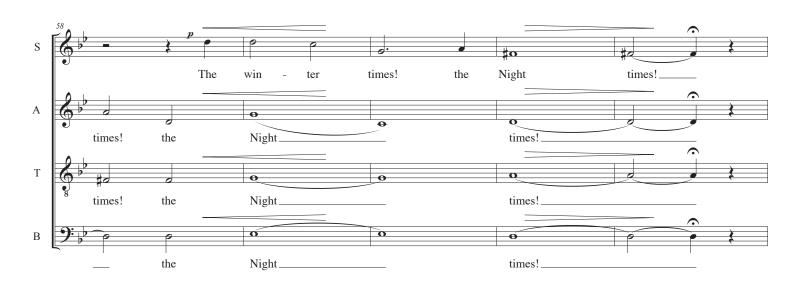


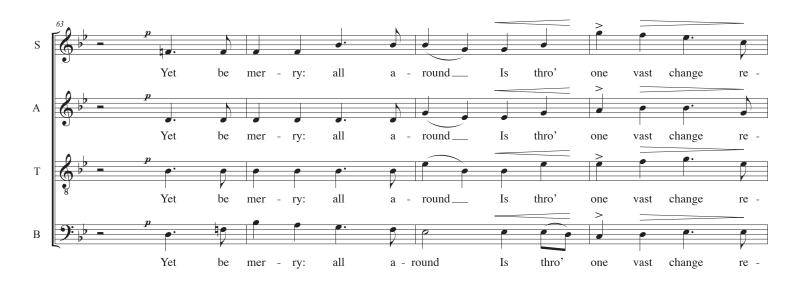


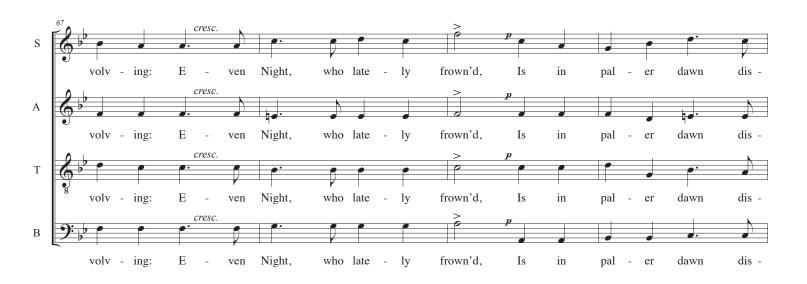


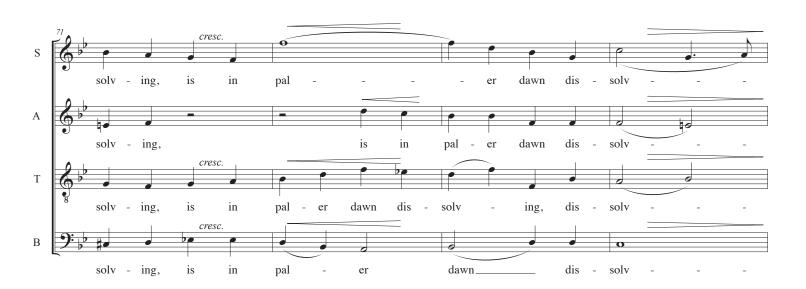


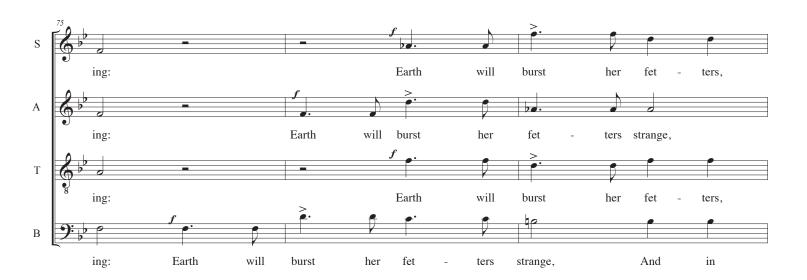




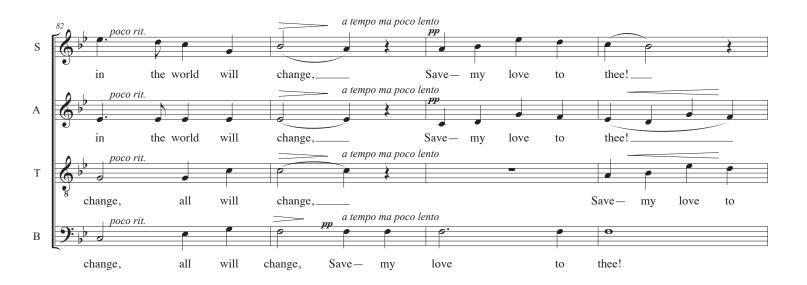


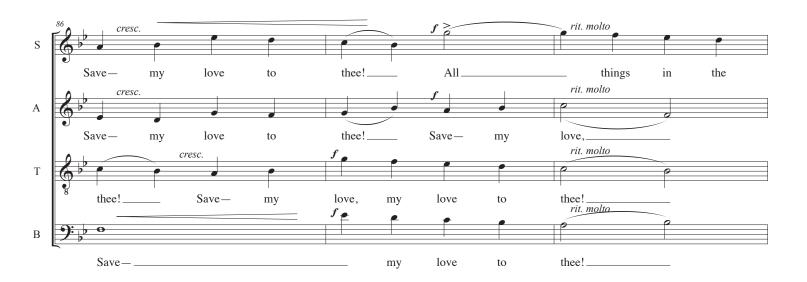


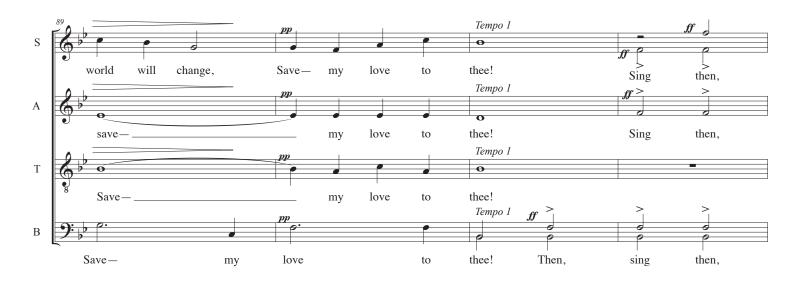


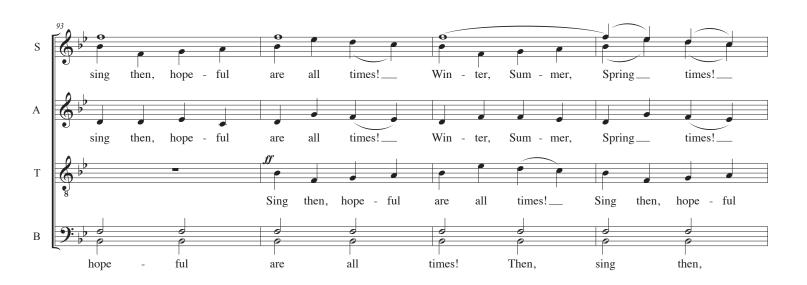


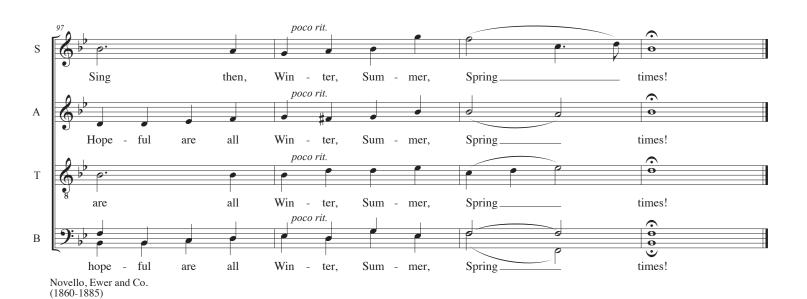












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