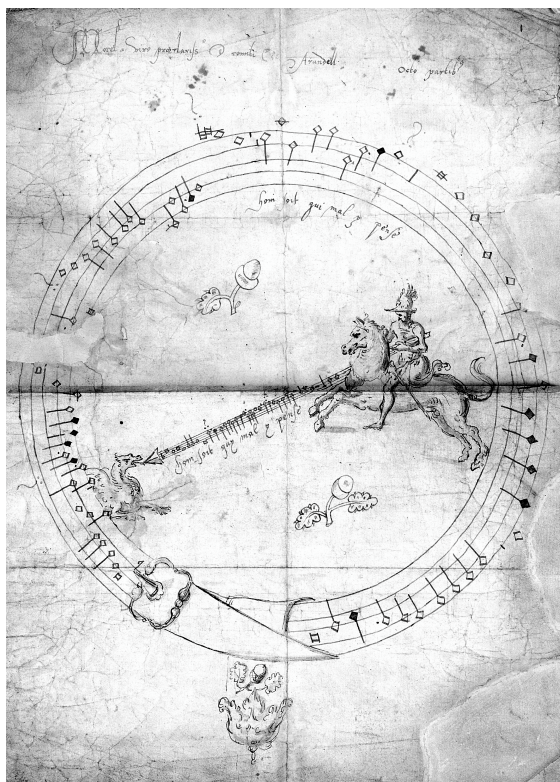


"A songe of the Garter"
Honi soit qui mal y pense
Canon 9 in 2

MOREL

A

B



Source:

British Library: Royal MS 8.G.vii

Transposed up a minor 3rd.
Note values halved.

Performance directions: Begin at A and B simultaneously. A new singer enters when the preceding singer reaches %.

This canon, on the motto of the Order of the Garter, appears on a page inserted into a book of motets once owned by Henry VIII. The page originally came from the library of Nonsuch Palace, and dates from the investiture of Henry Fitzalan, 19th Earl of Arundell into the Order of the Garter in 1544.

It is presented as a garter on which is written the upper 6-voice canon, surrounding a scene of St George and the dragon, with the lower 3-voice canon written on St George's lance. It bears the inscription *Morel viro praeclariss' D comiti de Arundell*. ("Morel to a most famous man, the Earl of Arundell"). The composer is believed to have been a musician of the Arundell household.

Suggested ending: