



A garland  
for our  
fairest

John L. Watton  
(1809-1886)

**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.

A garland for our fairest,  
For her we love so well,  
We'll weave with flowers the rarest  
In garden and the dell.  
The daisy, like her gentle heart,  
So modest, pure, and meek;  
The rose to match the blushing bloom  
That decks her dainty cheek.  
    Thus blooming, sweetly blooming,  
    Our garland bright shall go!  
    Ah! when she sees  
    We fain would please,  
    Will she one smile bestow!

The lily, like her fingers white,  
Whose lightest touch we prize!  
And violets for the liquid light,  
Within her dark blue eyes.  
But oh! no flower beneath the sun  
Can e'er to her impart  
The changeless love whose tendrils cling  
So closely round each heart.  
    Thus blooming, sweetly blooming,  
    Our garland bright shall go!  
    Ah! when she sees  
    We fain would please,  
    Will she one smile bestow!

Bartholomew Sparrow Montgomery (1821-1885)

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*Allegretto*

S A T B

A gar - land for our fair - est, For her we love so

S A T B

well, We'll weave with flow'rs the rar - est In



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S gar - den and the dell. The dai - sy, like her

A gar - den and the dell. The dai - sy, like her

T gar - den and the dell. The dai - sy, like her

B gar - den and the dell. The dai - sy, like her

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S gen - tle heart, So mod - est, pure, and meek; The

A gen - tle heart, So mod - est, pure, and meek; The

T gen - tle heart, So mod - est, pure, and meek; The

B gen - tle heart, So mod - est, pure, and meek; The

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S rose to match the blush - ing bloom That decks her dain - ty

A rose to match the blush - ing bloom That decks her dain - ty

T rose to match the blush - ing bloom That decks her dain - ty

B rose to match the blush - ing bloom That decks her dain - ty

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S *p*  
cheek, that decks her dain - ty cheek, her

A  
cheek, *p* decks her

T *p*  
cheek, her dain - ty cheek, that decks her

B *p*  
cheek, her dain - ty cheek, her

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S *f con brio*  
dain - ty cheek. Thus bloom - ing, sweet - ly

A *f con brio*  
dain - ty cheek. Thus bloom - ing, sweet - ly

T *f con brio*  
dain - ty cheek. Thus bloom - ing, sweet - ly

B *f con brio*  
dain - ty cheek. Thus bloom - ing, sweet - ly

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S *p*  
bloom - ing, Our gar - land bright shall go! Ah!

A *p*  
bloom - ing, Our gar - land bright shall go! Ah!

T *p*  
bloom - ing, Our gar - land bright shall go! Ah!

B *p*  
bloom - ing, Our gar - land bright shall go! Ah!

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S when she sees We fain would please, Will she one smile be -

A when she sees We fain would please, Will she one smile be -

T when she sees We fain would please, Will she one smile be -

B when she sees We fain would please, Will she one smile be -

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S stow, will she one smile be - stow, one smile, will she one

A stow, will she one smile be - stow, one smile, one

T stow, will she one smile be - stow, one

B stow, Ah! will she one

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S smile be - stow, will she one smile be -

A smile be - stow, Ah! will

T smile be - stow, will she one smile be - stow, one

B smile be - stow, will she one smile be - stow, one

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S stow, one smile be - stow, one smile be -

A she one smile be - stow, one smile be -

T smile, will she one smile be - stow, one smile be -

B smile, one smile be - stow, one smile be -

*dim.* *f* *dim.* *f* *dim.* *f* *dim.* *f*

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S stow, one smile, will she one smile be - stow!

A stow, one smile, will she one smile be - stow!

T stow, one smile, will she one smile be - stow!

B stow, one smile, will she one smile be - stow!

*p* *f* *p* *f* *p* *f* *p* *f*

S The li - ly, like her fin - gers white, Whose light - est touch we

A The li - ly, like her fin - gers white, Whose light - est touch we

T The li - ly, like her fin - gers white, Whose light - est touch we

B The li - ly, like her fin - gers white, Whose light - est touch we

*f* *f* *f* *f*

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S prize! \_\_\_\_\_ And vio - lets for the li - quid light, With -

A prize! \_\_\_\_\_ And vio - lets for the li - quid light, With -

T prize! \_\_\_\_\_ And vio - lets for the li - quid light, With -

B prize! \_\_\_\_\_ And vio - lets for the li - quid light, With -

48

S in her dark blue eyes. \_\_\_\_\_ But oh! no flow'r be -

A in her dark blue eyes. \_\_\_\_\_ But oh! no flow'r be -

T in her dark blue eyes. \_\_\_\_\_ But oh! no flow'r be -

B in her dark blue eyes. \_\_\_\_\_ But oh! no flow'r be -

51

S neath the sun Can e'er to her im - part The

A neath the sun Can e'er to her im - part The

T neath the sun Can e'er to her im - part The

B neath the sun Can e'er to her im - part The



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S change - less love whose ten - drils cling So close - ly round each *dim.*

A change - less love whose ten - drils cling So close - ly round each *dim.*

T change - less love whose ten - drils cling So close - ly round each *dim.*

B change - less love whose ten - drils cling So close - ly round each *dim.*

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S heart, whose ten - drils cling So close - - - ly *p*

A heart, close - - - ly *p*

T heart, whose ten - drils cling So close - ly *p*

B heart, that cling So close - - - ly *p*

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S round each heart. Thus bloom - ing, sweet - ly *f con brio*

A round each heart. Thus bloom - ing, sweet - ly *f con brio*

T round each heart. Thus bloom - ing, sweet - ly *f con brio*

B round each heart. Thus bloom - ing, sweet - ly *f con brio*

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S bloom - ing, Our gar - land bright shall go! Ah!

A bloom - ing, Our gar - land bright shall go! Ah!

T bloom - ing, Our gar - land bright shall go! Ah!

B bloom - ing, Our gar - land bright shall go! Ah!

66

S when she sees We fain would please, Will she one smile be -

A when she sees We fain would please, Will she one smile be -

T when she sees We fain would please, Will she one smile be -

B when she sees We fain would please, Will she one smile be -

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S stow, will she one smile be - stow, one smile, will she one

A stow, will she one smile be - stow, one smile, one

T stow, will she one smile be - stow, one

B stow, Ah! will she one

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S smile \_\_\_\_\_ be - stow, will she one smile be -

A smile be - stow, Ah! will

T smile \_\_\_\_\_ be - stow, will she one smile be - stow, one

B smile \_\_\_\_\_ be - stow, will she one smile be - stow, one

*cresc.*

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S stow, \_\_\_\_\_ one smile \_\_\_\_\_ be - stow, one smile be -

A she one \_\_\_\_\_ smile \_\_\_\_\_ be - stow, one smile be -

T smile, will she one smile \_\_\_\_\_ be - stow, one smile be -

B smile, one smile \_\_\_\_\_ be - stow, one smile be -

*dim.* *f*

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S stow, one smile, will she one smile be - stow!

A stow, one smile, will she one smile be - stow!

T stow, one smile, will she one smile be - stow!

B stow, one smile, will she one smile be - stow!

*p* *f*

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