

With raptures abounding and music resounding

Anon.

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Edited by Francis Roads

[Air] ♩ = 120

Soprano

1. With rap - tures a - bound - ing, And mu - sic re - sound - ing, And
2. Ex - posed to great dan - ger The blest in - fant stran - ger Was

Alto

1. With rap - tures a - bound - ing, And mu - sic re - sound - ing, And
2. Ex - posed to great dan - ger The blest in - fant stran - ger Was

Tenor

1. With rap - tures a - bound - ing, And mu - sic re sound - ing, And
2. Ex - posed to great dan - ger The blest in - fant stran - ger Was

Bass

1. With rap - tures a - bound - ing, And mu - sic re sound - ing, And
2. Ex - posed to great dan - ger The blest in - fant stran - ger Was

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S

an - gels sur - round - ing, Glad hom - age to pay, Let e - ve - ry
laid in a man - ger, In ox - en stall, Past all com - pre -

A

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laid in a man - ger, In ox - en stall, Past all com - pre -

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an - gels sur - round - ing, Glad hom - age to pay, Let e - ver - ry
laid in a man - ger, In ox - en stall, Past all com - pre -

B

an - gels sur - round - ing, Glad hom - age to pay, Let e - ve - ry
laid in a man - ger, In ox - en stall, Past all com - pre -

3. Let no-one betray him,
Or ever dismay him,
But always obey him
In truth and in love.
Then joys in confessing
He'll give with his blessing,
Beyond all expressing,
In heaven above.

4. All glory and power
To God every hour!
Let peace e'er be showered
From heaven to earth!
Goodwill to the living,
Thank God for his giving
Us grace to believe it
Our Saviour's birth.

This version of *With raptures abounding and music resounding* is introduced by Pickard-Cambridge thus: "The second version of the music may be effectively used as a string accompaniment to the last verse, the voices still continuing to sing the first version." There are other examples of such florid instrumental accompaniments to West Gallery carols extant, and this version may be of that type, as it does more or less follow the harmony of the first version. It might also be a version made by the editor himself. What it seems least likely to be is an alternative vocal version, as there are some distinctly non-vocalic leaps in the tenor and bass lines. Nonetheless it is presented here with text for those who may wish to perform it in this manner.

Circled numbers correspond with lines of text.

With raptures abounding and music resounding

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S na - tion, With loud ac - cla - ma - tion, Pro - claim the sal - va - tion That's
 hen - sion, Let ev' - ry one men - tion His great con - des - cen - sion To

A na - tion, With loud ac - cla - ma - tion, Pro - claim the sal - va - tion That's
 - hen - sion, Let ev' - ry one men - tion His great con - des - cen - sion To

T na - tion, With loud ac - cla - ma - tion, Pro - claim the sal - va - tion That's
 hen - sion, Let ev' - ry one men - tion His great con - des - cen - sion To

B na - tion, With loud ac - cla - ma - tion, Pro - claim the sal - va - tion That's
 hen - sion, Let ev' - ry one men - tion His great con - des - cen - sion To

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S wrought on this day. Let e - ve - ry na - tion, With loud ac - cla -
 save us all, Past all com - pre - hen - sion, Let ev' - ry one

A wrought on this day. Let e - ve - ry na - tion, With loud ac - cla -
 save us all, Past all com - pre - hen - sion, Let ev' - ry one

T wrought on this day. Let e - ve - ry na - tion, With loud ac - cla -
 save us all, Past all com - pre - hen - sion, Let ev' - ry one

B wrought on this day. Let e - ve - ry na - tion, With loud ac - cla -
 save us all, Past all com - pre - hen - sion, Let ev' - ry one

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S ma - tion, Pro - claim the sal - va - tion That's wrought on this day.
 men - tion His great con - des - cen - sion To save us all.

A ma - tion, Pro - claim the sal - va - tion That's wrought on this day.
 men - tion His great con - des - cen - sion To save us all.

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