

By a fountain where I lay

John Dowland (c.1563-1626)

Cantus  By by a foun - tain where I lay, all bles - sed
the glimm' ring of the sun, O nev - er

Altus  By by a foun - tain where I lay, all O
the glimm' ring of the sun,

Tenor  By a foun - tain where I lay, all bles - -
by the glimm' ring of the sun, O nev - -

Bassus  By____ a foun - tain where I lay, all
by____ the glimm' ring of the sun, O

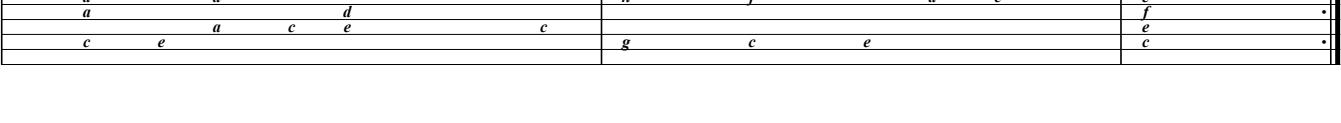
Lute  

Lute tuning: G, c, f, a, d', g'

be that bles - - sed day,
be her shin - - ing done,

bles - - sed be that bles day,
nev - - er be her shin ing done,


-sed, bles - - sed be that bles - - sed day,
-er, nev - - er be her shin - - ing done,

bles - - sed be that bles - - sed day,
nev - - er be her shin - - ing done,


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when I might see a - lone my true love's fair - est one, love's dear light, love's clear sight
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Tablature:

a	a	a	a	a	c	c	a	c	a	c	d	a	d	d	c	c
b	b	b	b	d	d	d	a	d	d	f	b	d	a	d	c	c
c	c	c	c	a	a	e	a	a	a	d	b	a	d	a	b	a

No world's eyes can clear-er see a fair-er sight none, none can be.
No world's eyes can clear-er see a fair-er sight, a fair - er sight none, none can be.
No world's eyes can clear-er see, a fair - er sight, a fair - er sight none can be.
No world's eyes can clear-er see a fair-er sight none, none can be.

Tablature:

a	c	a	a	a	a	e	a	d	a	d	e	f	f	e	a	c
d	a	c	a	a	a	f	a	b	d	c	c	f	f	e	a	.
a	e	a	c	a	a	c	e	c	a	b	c	c	e	e	a	.

2. Fair with garlands all addressed,
Was never Nymph more fairly blest,
Blessed in the highest degree,
So may she ever blessed be,
Came to this fountain near,
With such a smiling cheer,
Such a face,
Such a grace,
Happy, happy eyes that see
Such a heavenly sight as she.

3. Then I forthwith took my pipe
Which I all fair and clean did wipe,
And upon a heav'ly ground,
All in the grace of beauty found,
Played this roundelay,
Welcome fair Queen of May,
Sing sweet air,
Welcome fair,
Welcome be the shepherds' Queen,
The glory of all our green.

Source: John Dowland, *The Third and Last Booke of Songs or Aires* (London, 1603), no.12.

II.4.5:

II.9.1: g'

IV.12.7:

IV.13.4: f#