

IT WAS A FRIAR OF ORDERS GREY.

Text selected from Thomas Percy:
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Hamlet (Ophelia's song, Act 4).

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Moderato

S1 It was a friar of Or - ders Grey, Walk'd forth to tell his beads; And he

S2 (M-S) It was a friar of Or - ders Grey, Walk'd forth to tell his beads; And he

B It was a friar of Or - ders Grey, Walk'd forth to tell his beads; And he

6 met with a La - dy fair, Clad in a Pil - grim's weeds. Now

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10 Heav'n thee save, thou rev'rend Friar, I pray thee tell to me, If e - ver at yon

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15 ho - ly shrine My - true love thou did'st see?

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And how shall I your true love know From

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O by his coc - kle hat and - staff, And by his san - dle
O by his coc - kle hat and - staff, And by his san - dle
ma - ny a-no - ther one?

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shoon.
shoon.

O La - dy, he's dead and gone, La - dy, he's dead and

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gone, And at his head a green grass turf, And at his heels a stone.

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Weep no more La - dy, weep no more La - dy, La - dy, weep no
Weep no more La - dy, weep no more La - dy, La - dy, weep no
Weep no more La - dy, weep no more La - dy,

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blows the cold wind, And driz-zling rain doth fall, blows the cold wind,
haw-thorn the wind, And driz-zling rain doth fall, blows the cold wind,
See, the driz-zling rain doth fall, See thro' the haw-thorn blows the cold wind,

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Con moto

blows the cold wind, and driz-zling rain doth fall. O stay me
blows the cold wind. O stay me
See thro' the haw-thorn blows the cold wind, And driz-zling rain doth fall. O stay me

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not, thou ho-ly Friar, O stay me not, I pray, No driz-zling rain that
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Più lento

falls on me Can wash my fault a-way, can wash my fault a-way.
falls on me Can wash my fault a-way, can wash my fault a-way.
falls on me Can wash my fault a-way, can wash my fault a-way.