

# The Cup of Poison

for Timeline Choir

Adapted from Oxford City (Roud 218)  
Sung by Mr Harper, Kings Lynn, Norfolk  
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TRAD. arr C Leedham

**Sarabande** ♩ = 72  
*p*

Soprano

In Cam - bridge ci - ty there lived a mai - den And she was beau - ti -

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S. - ful and fair And she was cour - ted by a tall and hand - some sai - lor And he did love

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S. her, love her so dear This girl she loved him, but at a dis - tance. She  
*p leggiero*

A. In Cam - bridge a mai -  
*p leggiero*

T. B. In Cam - bridge a mai -

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S. did not seem to be quite so fond. He said un - to her: My -

A. - den beau - ti - ful Cour - ted a sai - lor

T. B. - den beau - ti - ful Cour - ted a sai - lor

15 *mf*

S. dear, you seem to slight me. I'm sure that you love some oth - er man. He

A. And he did love her so dear, so dear

T. B. And he did love her so dear, so dear

19 **B**

S. saw her dan - cing with an - oth - er A jea - lous thought came to his mind; so  
(*sempre p*) *mp*

A. He saw her dan - cing with some oth - er sai - lor  
(*sempre p*) *mp*

T. B. with some oth - er sai - lor

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S. he de - ci - ded to des - troy his own true lo - ver, and gave un - to

A. He de - ci - - ded to give un - to her a

T. B. He de - ci - - ded to give un - to her a

26 *f* *mf* **C**

S. her a glass of wine. She took it kind - ly but soon did su - fer. "Oh

A. glass of wine She took it kind - ly but soon did su - fer. "Oh

T. B. glass of wine She took it kind - ly but soon did su - fer. "Oh

T. B. glass of wine That took it kind - ly but soon did su - fer. "Oh

30 *sfz*

S. take me home my love," said she. "That glass of wine that you

A. take me home my love," said she. "That glass of wine that you

T. B. take me home my love," said she. "That glass of wine that you

T. B. take me home my love," said she. "That glass of wine that you

33 *mp*

S. *mp*  
 \_\_\_ did give un - to me has made me\_ ill, as ill can be." "That

A.  
 \_\_\_ did give un - to me has made me\_ ill, as ill can be."

T.  
 \_\_\_ did give un - to me has made me\_ ill, as ill can be."

B.  
 \_\_\_ did give un - to me has made me\_ ill, as ill can be."

37 **D**

S. *p*  
 glass of wine, which I did give you, That glass of wine did poi - son hide. For

A. *p*  
 He saw her dan - cing with some oth - er sai - lor

T. *p*  
 He saw her dan - cing with some oth - er sai - lor

B. *p*  
 He saw her dan - cing with some oth - er sai - lor

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S.  
 if you will not be\_\_\_ my faith - ful lo - ver You shall ne - ver be an - oth - er's

A.  
 He de - ci - ded that she would ne - ver be\_\_\_ an - oth - er's

T.  
 He de - ci - ded that she would ne - ver be\_\_\_ an - oth - er's

B.  
 He de - ci - ded that she would ne - ver be\_\_\_ an - oth - er's

45 *p* E ritard .

S. *p*  
 bride. That cup of poi - son which I did give you I have drunk deep of the same said

A. *p*  
 bride In Cam - bridge A sai - - lor\_\_ loved a

T. *p*  
 B. bride In Cam - bridge A sai - - lor\_\_ loved a

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S. he "So held to - geth - er in each oth - ers\_\_ arms we die now,

A. mai - den, but held to - geth - - er Now held

T. B. mai - den, but held to - geth - - er Now held

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S. To warn young lo - vers\_\_ of\_\_ jea - lou - sy."

A. to - geth - er they die\_\_ they die

T. B. to - geth - er they die\_\_ they die