

Die not before thy day

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Die not be- fore thy day, poor, poor man con- demn- ed,

But lift thy low looks, but lift thy low looks from the hum- - ble

earth. Kiss not des- pair and see sweet Hope con- temn- ed.

The hag hath no de- light but moan, - but moan for mirth. O fie

The score consists of six systems, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a lute tablature line (bass clef). The tablature uses letters 'a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f', 'g' on a six-line staff to represent fret positions. The music is in a minor key and common time. A box containing the number '10' is located in the bass line of the third system.

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- poor found- ling, O fie - poor found- ling!

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Fie! Fie! be will- ing to pre- serve thy- self from kill- ing.

Hope, thy keep- er, glad to free thee, Bids thee go and will not see thee.

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Hie thee quick- ly from thy wrong! So she ends her will- ing song.