


Disdain me still

Words ascribed to William, Earl of Pembroke

John Dowland



Dis-dain me still, that I may ev-er love, For who his
As heat to life, so is de-sire - to love, And these once

Love en-joys - can love, can love no - - more. The war - - once
quench'd both life, - both life and love, and love are gone. Let not - - my

past, with ease - men cow- - ards prove: And ships re- - - turn'd do -
tears, my tears - thy vir- - tue move, Like bas-er - - met- tals -

rot up- on the shore. And - though thou frown, I'll say thou art most fair,
do not melt too soon. Laugh - at my woes al- though I ev-er mourn,

most - - fair: And still I'll - love and still I'll - love, I'll love, though still, though
ev- - er mourn, Love sur- - - feits, love sur- feits - with re-ward, his nurse is

still - I must des- pair.
scorn, - his nurse is scorn.