THE MASQUE OF COMUS By JOHNMILTON

The original music by $H \to N R Y L A W \to S$



Together with incidental music, dances, etc. By WILLIAM LAWES and other contemporary composers

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VIOLIN II

Overture

William Lawes

A. Symphony















Scene I.

A Wild Wood

The Attendant Spirit decends or enters and sings.

No.2 From The Heavens Now I Fly

Henry Lawes



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Spirit (line 91). But I hear the tread Of hateful steps: I mus be viewless now

COMUS enters with a charming-rod in one hand, his glass in the other; with him a rout of monsters, headed like sundry sorts of wild beasts, but otherwise like men and women, their apparel glistering; they come in making a riotious and unruly noise, with torches in their hands.

3. The King's Hunting Jigg.

Dr. John Bull 1604



Comus (Line 143). Come, knit hands, and beat the ground In a light fantastic round

4. Sellinger's Round; or "The Beginning of the World"

Harmonized by William Byrd



Lady (Line 228). I'll venture; for my new-enlivened spirits Prompt me, and they perhaps are not far off

5. Sweet Echo



Scene II

The Scene changes to a stately palace, set out with all manner of deliciousness: soft music, tables spread with all dainties. Comus appears with his rabble, and The Lady set in an enchanted chair; to whom he offers his glass, which she puts by, and goes about to rise.

6. From "The Royal Consort"

William Lawes



Lady (Line 811). one sip of this Will bathe the drooping spirits in delight Beyond the bliss of dreams. Be wise, and taste...

The Brothers rush in with swords drawn, urest his glass out of his hand, and break it against the ground: his rout makes sign of resistance, but are all driven in. The Attendant Spirit comes in.

7. From "The Royal Consort"

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Spirit (Line 857). this will I try And add the power of some adjuring verse.

8. Sabrina Fair



Spirit (Line887). And in thy headlong wave, Till thou our summons answered have. Listen and save!

Sabrina rises, attended by Water-nymphs, and sings

9. By the Rushy-Finged Bank



Sabrina (Line 920). And I must haste ere morning hour To wait in Amphitrite's bower

Sabrina decends, and the Lady rises out of her seat.

10. Saraband

William Lawes from Stafford Smith's Musica Antiqua



Spirit (Line 956). Come let us haste; the stars grow high, But night sits monarch yet in the mid sky.

End of Scene II.

Scene III

The Scene changes (Line 958), presenting Ludlow Town and the President's Castle: then come in Country Dancers; after them the Attendant Spirit, with the two Brothers and The Lady.

11. Jig and The Mitter Rant



12. Back, Shepherds, Back!



13. March, Lord Zouches Maske

Giles Fanaby, b. 1560



14. Noble Lord, and Lady Bright



15. Saraband

William Lawes



16. Now My Task of Smoothly Done

