

When younglings first on Cupid fix their sight

The first part

William Byrd (c.1540-1623)

Tenor (part 2 of 3)

Songs of sundrie natures (London, 1589)

When young-lings first on Cu-pid fix their sight, their sight, and see him na-ked, blind-
5 - fold and a boy, and a boy, though bow and shafts and fi - er-brand be his might, be his might,
10 yet ween they he can work them none an-noy, yet ween they he can work them none an-
15 noy, yet ween they he can work them none an - noy. And there-fore with his pur-ple
20 wings they play, for glo-ri-ous see - meth love though light as fea - ther, and
when they have done, they ween to scape a - way, for blind men say they,
25 say they, for blind men say they, shoot they know not whi - ther, shoot they know not
30 whi-ther, shoot they know not whi-ther, shoot they know not whi-ther, shoot they know not whi-ther.