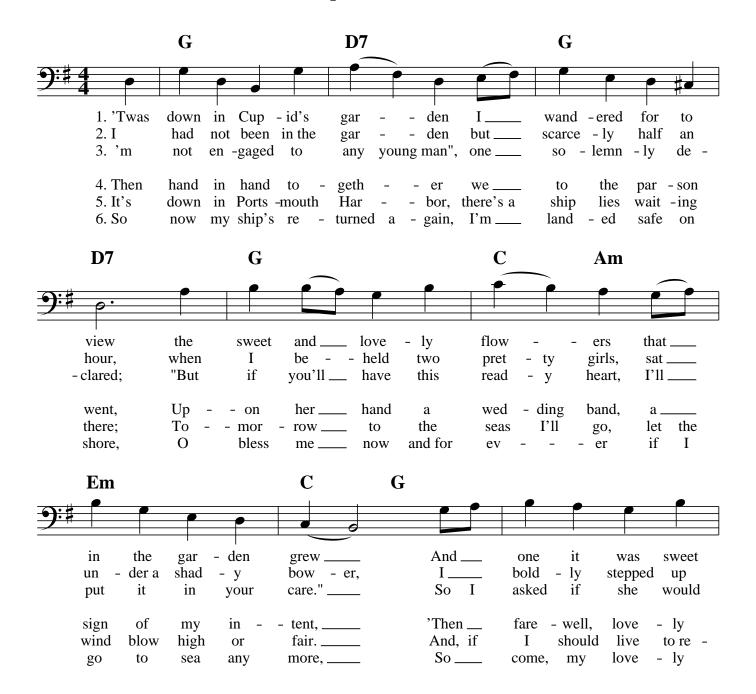
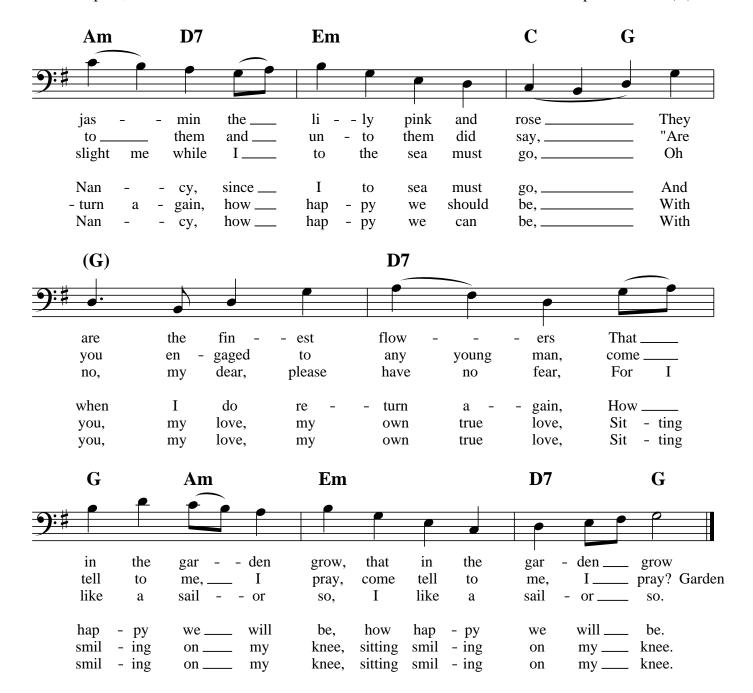
Cupid's Garden





In the 1680s, Abraham Cuper opened a tea garden or pleasure garden on ten acres of land on the south side of the River Thames in London. He named it Cuper's Garden. Among the attractions at the site over the years were an orchestra and firework displays.

Because Cuper's Garden was a good place for young people to have romantic encounters, the place also came to be called Cupid's Garden. In 1753, seventy years after it was was started it lost its license due to the loose morals of its visitors.

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