

# Three Ravens

Melismata. Musical Phansies.  
Filling the Court, Citie and  
Countrey Humours, London, 1611

Thomas Ravenscroft (1590-1633)  
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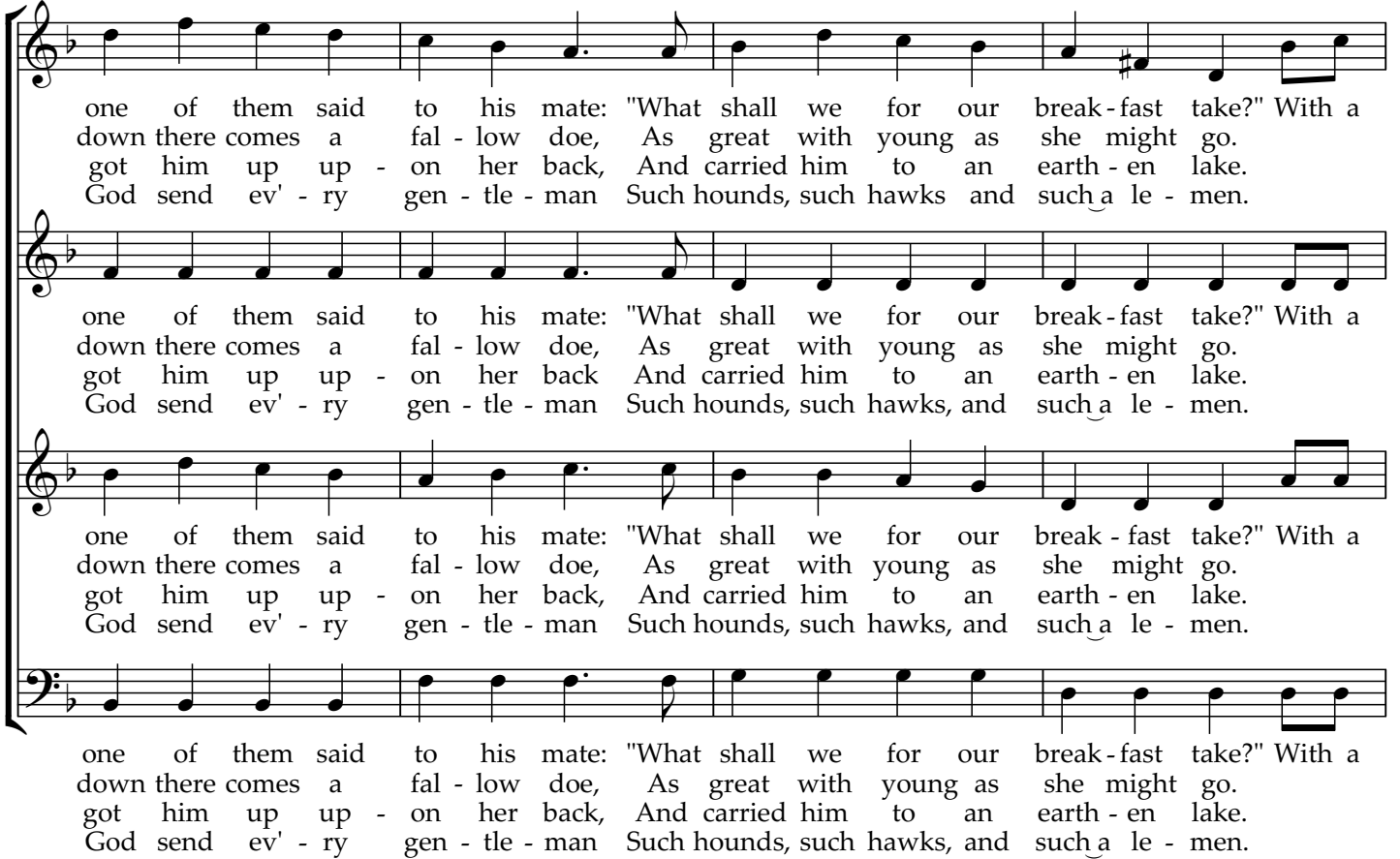
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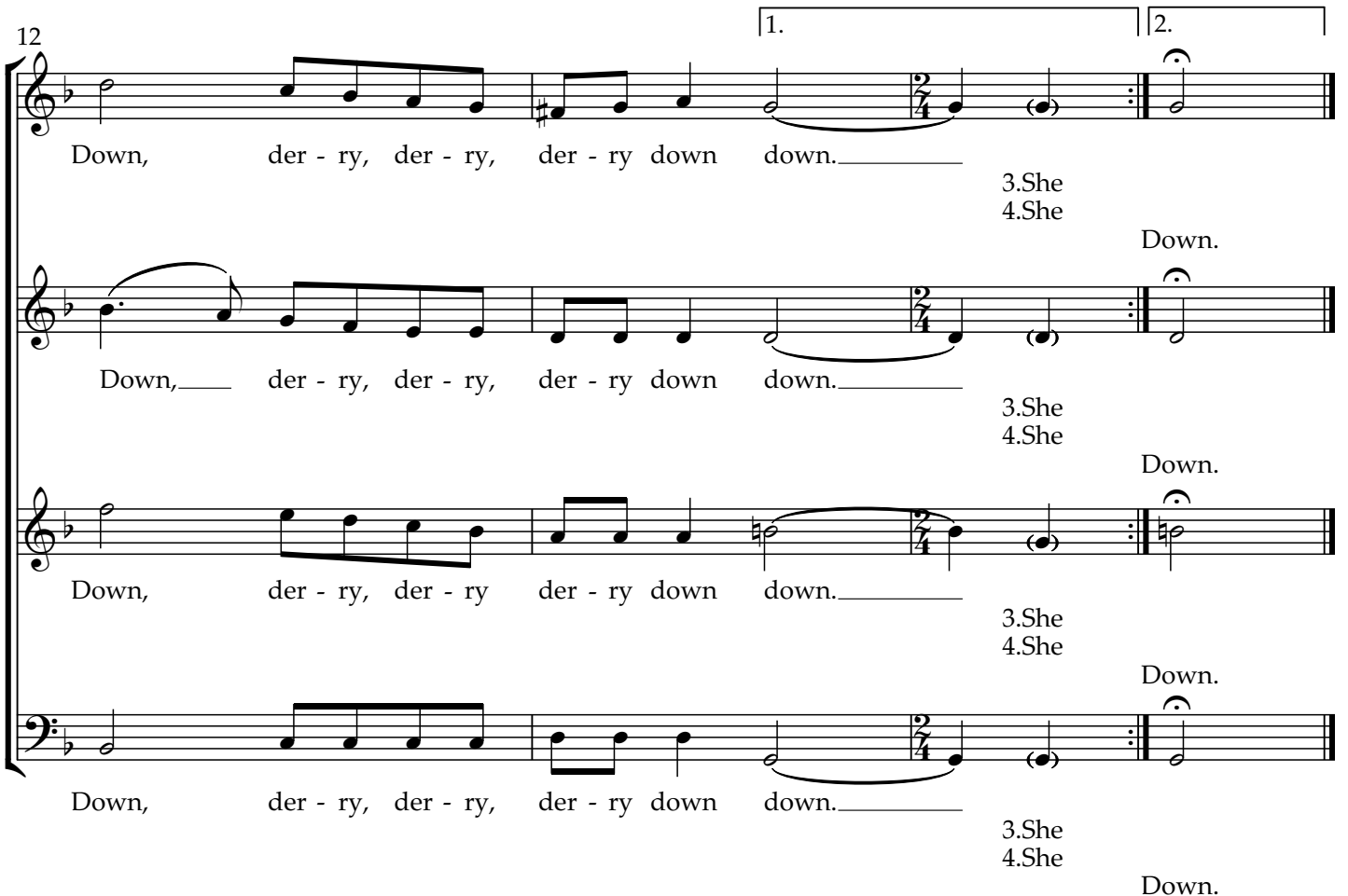
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