

Benedicite! What dreamed I?

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Alto  Be - - ne - di - ci - te! What dream - ed I this

Tenor  Be - ne - di - ci - te! What dream - ed I this night? Me -

Bass  Be - ne - di - ci - te! What dream - ed I this_____

5  night? Me - thought the world was turn-ed up - so - down: The

 -thought the world_____ was turn - ed up - so - - down:_____ The sun, the

 night? Me - thought the world was turn-ed up - so - down: The sun, the

10  sun, the moon had lost their force and light;

 moon had lost their force and light;

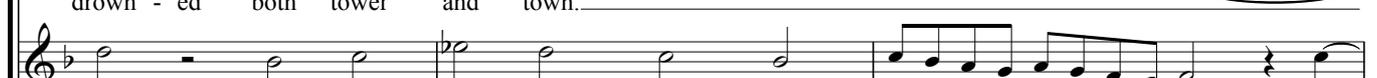
 moon had lost their force and light;

 the sea al - so

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15  drown - ed both tower and town.

 -so drown - ed both tower_____ and town.

 al - so drown - ed both tower and town.

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Yet more mar-vel how that I heard the sound of on - es voice say -

Yet more mar-vel how that I heard the sound of on - es voice say - ing: Bear

Yet more mar-vel how that I heard the sound of on - es voice say-ing:

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-ing: Bear in thy mind, thy la - dy hath for - got -

in thy mind, thy la - dy hath for -

- Bear in thy mind, thy la - dy

-ten, thy la - dy hath for - got - ten to be kind.

-got - ten to be kind.

hath for - got - ten to be kind.

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Benedicite what dremyd I this nyȝt
methought the worlde was turnyd upsodowne
the son the moone hade lost ther force and lyȝt
the see also drowned both towre and towne.
Yett more mervell how that I hard the sownde of onys voice saying
bere in thy mynd
thy lady hath forgotten to be kynd.

Source: Lbl. Add. 5465 ('The Fayrfax Manuscript'), ff. 13v-15r.

II.4.2: *this*

Note-values halved from original edition.