

The Oak and the Ash

Traditional English Folk Song
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A

rit.

Andante $\text{♩} = 80$

mp

Bass I

Bass II

A North coun - try maid up to Lon - don had strayed, al

rit....

a tempo

3

though with her na - ture it did not a - gree. She wept and she sighed, and so

B a tempo
mf

rit.....

6

bit - ter - ly she cried, How I wish once a - gain in the North I could be. Oh, the

9

Oak and the Ash and the bon - ny i - vy tree! How I wish once a - gain in the

2

C

a tempo

rit.....

mf

North I could be! While sad - ly I roam, I re - gret my dear home, where

mf

lads and young lass - es are mak - ing the hay.

a tempo

15

The - mer - ry bells ring and the

a tempo

rit.....

18

bi - rds sweet - ly sing. The mea - dows are pleas - ant and maid - ens are gay. Oh, the

D

21

Oak and the Ash and the bon - ny i - vy tree! How I wish once a - gain in the

E

24 rit..... **Meno mosso** **f**

North I could be! No doubt, did I please, I could mar - ry with ease, for where

rit..... **Adagio**

27 maid - ens are fair, man - y lov - ers will come. But the one whom I wed must be
lov - ers will come.

30 North Coun - try bred. And tar - ry with me in my North Coun - try home. Oh, the

F

33 Oak and the Ash and the bon - ny i - vy tree! How I wish once a - gain in the
How I wish a - gain in the

Musical notation for two voices (Bassoon and Bassoon) in 2/4 time, key of G major. The bassoon part consists of eighth-note patterns: a pair of eighth notes followed by a sixteenth-note rest, then another pair of eighth notes followed by a sixteenth-note rest. The vocal parts are identical, with lyrics "North I could be!" written below each staff. Measure numbers 36 are present above both staves.