



**Winter's Reign
is Over**

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(1826-1888)**

William Fiske Sherwin (1826-1888) was born in Buckland, Massachusetts. Although he had little schooling as a child, at age 15 he went to Boston and studied music under Lowell Mason. He became a teacher of vocal music, and held appointments at the New England Conservatory of Music; in Hudson and Albany, New York; and in New York City. An American Baptist, he was the first music director at the Chautauqua Movement near Chautauqua, New York. He composed carols and hymn-tunes for use in in Sunday Schools, and helped prepare popular Sunday School hymn and tune books. He also was musical editor at Biglow & Main publishers. He died in Boston, Massachusetts.

Winter's cruel reign is over,
Vernal airs blow soft again;
Blackbird, skylark, thrush and plover,
Join and swell this merry strain.

Messengers of spring are flying,
Far from regions o'er the sea;
Voice to voice the welcome crying,
Raise the song of tuneful glee.

Sheep and kins their stalls forsaking,
Snuff with joy the breath of spring;
While the voice of joy awaking
Makes the echoing woodlands ring.

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Not too slow

S
Win - ter's cru - el reign is o - ver, Ver - nal airs blow soft a - gain;

A
Win - ter's cru - el reign is o - ver, Ver - nal airs blow soft a - gain;

T
Win - ter's cru - el reign is o - ver, Ver - nal airs blow soft a - gain;

B
Win - ter's cru - el reign is o - ver, Ver - nal airs blow soft a - gain;

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S
Black - bird, sky - lark, thrush and plo - ver, Join and swell this mer - ry strain.

A
Black - bird, sky - lark, thrush and plo - ver, Join and swell this mer - ry strain.

T
Black - bird, sky - lark, thrush and plo - ver, Join and swell this mer - ry strain.

B
Black - bird, sky - lark, thrush and plo - ver, Join and swell this mer - ry strain.

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S Tra la la la la la la, Tra la la, Tra la la la la, Tra la la,

A Tra la la la la la la, Tra la la, Tra la la la la, Tra la la,

T Tra la la la la la la, Tra la la, Tra la la la la la, Tra la la la,

B Tra la la la, Tra la la la, Tra la la la la la, Tra la la la,

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S *pp* Tra la la la la la la la, *cresc.* Tra la la la la la la, Tra la.

A *pp* Tra la la la la la la, *cresc.* Tra la la la la la la, Tra la.

T *pp* Tra la la la, *cresc.* Tra la la la, Tra la, Tra la.

B *pp* Tra la la la la la la, *cresc.* Tra la la la, Tra la, Tra la.

17

S Mes - sen - gers of spring are fly - ing, Far from re - gions o'er the sea;

A Mes - sen - gers of spring are fly - ing, Far from re - gions o'er the sea;

T Mes - sen - gers of spring are fly - ing, Far from re - gions o'er the sea;

B Mes - sen - gers of spring are fly - ing, Far from re - gions o'er the sea;

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S Voice to voice— the wel - come cry - ing, Raise the song of tune - ful glee.

A Voice to voice— the wel - come cry - ing, Raise the song of tune - ful glee.

T Voice to voice the wel - come cry - ing, Raise the song of tune - ful glee.

B Voice to voice— the wel - come cry - ing, Raise the song of tune - ful glee.

25

S Tra la la la la la la, Tra la la, Tra la la la la, Tra la la,

A Tra la la la la la la, Tra la la, Tra la la la la, Tra la la,

T Tra la la la la la la, Tra la la, Tra la la la la la, Tra la la la,

B Tra la la la, Tra la la la, Tra la la la la la, Tra la la la,

29

S *pp* Tra la la la la la la, *cresc.* Tra la la la la la la, Tra la.

A *pp* Tra la la la la la, Tra la la la la, *cresc.* Tra la la la la la la, Tra la.

T *pp* Tra la la la, Tra la la la, *cresc.* Tra la la la, Tra la, Tra la.

B *pp* Tra la la la la la, Tra la la la la, *cresc.* Tra la la la, Tra la, Tra la.

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S Sheep and kins— their stalls for - sak - ing, Snuff with joy the breath of spring;

A Sheep and kins— their stalls for - sak - ing, Snuff with joy the breath of spring;

T Sheep and kins their stalls for - sak - ing, Snuff with joy the breath of spring;

B Sheep and kins their stalls for - sak - ing, Snuff with joy the breath of spring;

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S While the voice— of joy a - wak - ing Makes the ech - oing wood - lands ring.

A While the voice— of joy a - wak - ing Makes the ech - oing wood - lands ring.

T While the voice of joy a - wak - ing Makes the ech - oing wood - lands ring.

B While the voice— of joy a - wak - ing Makes the ech - oing wood - lands ring.

41

S Tra la la la la la la, Tra la la, Tra la la la la, Tra la la,

A Tra la la la la la la, Tra la la, Tra la la la la, Tra la la,

T Tra la la la la la la, Tra la la, Tra la la la la la, Tra la la la,

B Tra la la la, Tra la la la, Tra la la la la la, Tra la la la,

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S
Tra la la la la la la, Tra la la la la la la, Tra la.

A
Tra la la la la la, Tra la la la la, Tra la la la la la, Tra la.

T
Tra la la la, Tra la la la, Tra la la la, Tra la, Tra la.

B
Tra la la la la la, Tra la la la la, Tra la la la, Tra la, Tra la.

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