

# The days when we went gipsying

Ransford

Nathan James Sporle (1812 - 1853)

1. In the days when we went gip-sy-ing, A long time a - go, The lads and lass - es

The first system of music consists of a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The vocal line is in 2/4 time and begins with a treble clef. The piano accompaniment is in 2/4 time and begins with a grand staff (treble and bass clefs). The lyrics are: "1. In the days when we went gip-sy-ing, A long time a - go, The lads and lass - es".

in their best Were dress'd from top to toe; We danc'd and sung the jo-cund song, Up-

The second system of music continues the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The lyrics are: "in their best Were dress'd from top to toe; We danc'd and sung the jo-cund song, Up-".

- on the for - est green, And naught but mirth and jol - li - ty A - round us could be

The third system of music concludes the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The lyrics are: "- on the for - est green, And naught but mirth and jol - li - ty A - round us could be". The piano part includes a dynamic marking of *mf* (mezzo-forte).

CHORUS

seen. And thus we pass'd the plea-sant time, Nor thought of care or woe, In the days when we went

*p*

gip-sy-ing, A long time a - go, In the days when we went gip-sy-ing, A long time a - go.

*ff*

2. And hearts were light, and eyes were bright,  
 While nature's face was gay,  
 The trees their leafy branches spread,  
 And perfume fill'd the May;  
 'Twas there we heard thr cuckoo's note  
 Steal softly thro' the air,  
 While every scene around us look'd  
 Most beautiful and fair.

*Chorus.* And Thus, etc.

3. We thought of those we loved at home,  
 And all our friends most dear,  
 And wished them many happy days,  
 And many a happy year.  
 We cheered the Queen with all our hearts,  
 And may her subjects be  
 Our Nation's pride, all lands beside,  
 And glory of the sea.

*Chorus.* And Thus, etc.

4. And should we ever pay again  
 A visit to the scene,  
 We'll sing with all our hearts and voice  
 God bless our gracious Queen!  
 May she live long o'er us to reign,  
 And by her actions prove  
 That she has gained her utmost wish  
 A people's lasting love.

*Chorus.* And Thus, etc.