

1764-1792

The ANACREONTIC SONG

*as Sung at the Crown & Anchor Tavern in the Strand
the Words by*

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The musical score is written for a single melodic line with a basso continuo line. It consists of five systems of music. The first system begins with a treble clef, a 6/4 time signature, and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are: "To A_NACREON in Heav'n where he sat in full Glee, A few Sons of Harmo - ny." The second system continues the melody with the lyrics: "sent a Pe - tion, That He their In - spirer and Patron wou'd be, when this." The third system has the lyrics: "Answer ar - riv'd from the JOLLY OLD GRECIAN Voice Fiddle and Flute no". The fourth system has the lyrics: "longer be mute I'll lend you my Name and in - spire you to boot And be -". The fifth system concludes the piece with the lyrics: "fides I'll instruct you like me to Intwine The Myrtle of VENUS with BACCHUS'S Vine." The notation includes various musical symbols such as notes, rests, and bar lines. The lyrics are printed below the notes, with some words hyphenated across lines.

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The news through OLYMPUS immediately flew;
 When OLD THUNDER pretended to give himself Airs
 If these Mortals are suffer'd their Scheme to pursue,
 The Devil a Goddess will stay above Stairs.

"Hark already they cry,

"In Transports of Joy

"Away to the Sons of ANACREON we'll fly

"And there with good Fellows we'll learn to intwine

"The Myrtle of VENUS with BACCHUS'S Vine.

3

"The YELLOW HAIR'D GOD and his nine fifty Maids,

"From HELICON'S Banks will incontinent flee

"IDALIA will boast but of tenantless Shades

"And the hi forked Hill a mere Desert will be

"My Thunder no fear on't,

"Shall soon do its Errand,

"And dam'me. I'll fwing the Ringleaders I warrant,

"I'll trim the young Dogs for thus daring to twine

The Myrtle of VENUS with BACCHUS'S Vine.

4

APOLLO rose up, and said, "Pr'ythee ne'er quarrel,
 "Good King of the Gods with my Votaries below:

"Your Thunder is useless then shewing his Laurel,
 Cry'd. "Sic evitabile Fulmen, you know.

"Then over each Head

"My Laurels I'll spread

"So my Sons from your Crackers no Mischief shall dread,

"Whilst snug in their Club Room they Jovially twine

"The Myrtle of VENUS with BACCHUS'S Vine

5

Next MOMUS got up with his risible Phiz,

And swore with APOLLO he'd cheerfull Join

"The full Tide of Harmony still shall be his,

"But the Song and the Catch, the Laugh shall be mine

"Then JOVE be not Jealous

"Of these honest Fellows,

Cry'd JOVE "We relent since the Truth you now tell us;

"And swear by OLD STYX, that they long shall intwine
 The Myrtle of VENUS with BACCHUS'S Vine.

6

Ye Sons of ANACREON then Join Hand in Hand;

Preserve Unanimity Friendship and Love.

'Tis your's to support what's so happily plann'd;

You've the Sanction of Gods and the FIAT of JOVE.

While thus we agree,

Our Toast let it be.

May our Club flourish happy united and Free.

And long may the Sons of ANACREON intwine

The Myrtle of VENUS with BACCHUS'S Vine.

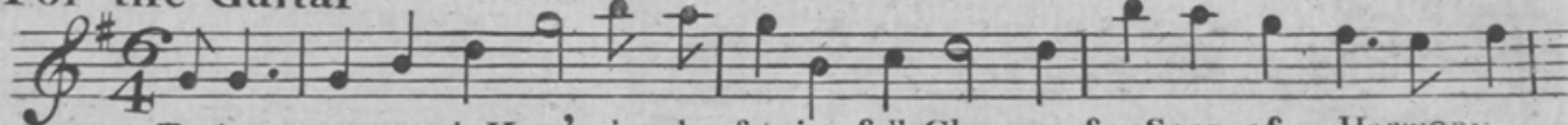
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