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330 But he the day-bright-bearing car prepared,
 And ran before, as harbinger of light,
 And with his flaring beams mocked ugly night
 Till she, o'ercome with anguish, shame, and rage,
 Danged° down to hell her loathsome carriage. *drove violently*

1598

The Passionate Shepherd to His Love⁸

Come live with me and be my love,
 And we will all the pleasures prove°
 That valleys, groves, hills, and fields,
 Woods, or steepy mountain yields. *try*

5 And we will sit upon the rocks,
 Seeing the shepherds feed their flocks,
 By shallow rivers to whose falls
 Melodious birds sing madrigals.

10 And I will make thee beds of roses
 And a thousand fragrant posies,
 A cap of flowers, and a kirtle°
 Embroidered all with leaves of myrtle; *gown*

15 A gown made of the finest wool
 Which from our pretty lambs we pull;
 Fair lined slippers for the cold,
 With buckles of the purest gold;

20 A belt of straw and ivy buds,
 With coral clasps and amber studs:°
 And if these pleasures may thee move,
 Come live with me, and be my love. *buttons*

The shepherds' swains° shall dance and sing *followers*
 For thy delight each May morning:
 If these delights thy mind may move,
 Then live with me and be my love.

1599

8. Cf. the response by Sir Walter Raleigh, "The Nymph's Reply to the Shepherd" (p. 158); cf. also C. Day Lewis's version of this poem (p. 1516).