

I'll Sail Upon the Dog Star

Lyonel's air from incidental music to *A Fool's Preferment: or The Three Dukes of Dunstable* (tenor)

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I'll sail upon the Dog Star,
[a:ɪl se:ɪl ə.'pɑn ðʌ dɑg stɑɹ]

And then pursue the morning,
I'll chase the moon 'till it be noon,
But I'll make her leave her horning.

I'll climb the frosty mountain,
And there I'll coin the weather;
I'll tear the rainbow from the sky,
And tie both ends together.

The stars pluck from their orbs, too,
And crowd them in my budget!
And whether I'm a roaring boy,
Let all the nations judge it.

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