Memory, Hither Come

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Memory, hither come ['mɛm.ə.ri 'hɪð.ɐ kʌm]

And tune your merry notes; [ænd tjun jog 'mɛr.i no:uts]

And while upon the wind Your music floats.

I'll pore upon the stream, Where sighing lovers dream, And fish for fancies as they pass Within the watery glass.

I'll drink of the clear stream, And hear the linnet's song, And there I'll lie and dream The day along;

And when night comes I'll go To places fit for woe, Walking along the darkened valley, With silent melancholy.

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