

13. Climb, O heart

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To his loving friend M. Holder, M of arts

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Canto

Climb, O heart, climb to thy rest.
 Mount-ing, yet if she do call
 Rise, oh rise, but ris-ing tell
 If she ask what makes thee love_her,
 Rise then rise if she bid rise;
 If thy plaint do pi- ty gain,

Basso

Climb-ing, yet take heed of
 and de-sire to know thy
 when her beau-ty brave-ly
 say her vir-tue, not her
 ris-ing say thou ris-eth
 love and live to her

fall-ing. Climb- ers oft, e'en at their best,
 ar- rant, fear not; stay and tell her all;
 wins thee. T'fore up where that she doth dwell,
 face, - for though beau-ty doth ap-rove her,
 for her. Fall, if she do thee dis-pise,
 hon-or. If thy ser-vice she dis-dain,

catch love, down fall'th, heart ap-pal-ling.
 fall-ing, she will be thy war-rant.
 down a- gain thy base-ness brings thee.
 mild- ness gives her great-er grace.
 fall- ing still do thou a- dore her.
 dy- ing, yet com- plain not on her.