Frederick Delius - Young Venevil

Young Venevil ran with her heart on fire to her lover so dear She sang till she made all the church-bells ring: 'Good day, good day!' And all the little song-birds made answer to her song: 'Mid-summers day's for laughter and play Take care, little Venevil, your garland's going astray.'

She wove him a garland of flowers blue: 'As my eyes so blue, my love, for you.' He took it, and tossed it o'er the hill: 'Farewell, my sweet, my sweet, farewell.' He laughеd and ran like lightning you hear his laughter still: 'Mid-summеr day's for laughter and play Take care, little Venevil, your garland's gone astray.'