Pastime with good company

Henry VIII



Youth must have some dalliance Of good or ill some pastance; Company me thinks then best All thougts and fancies to digest, For idleness Is chief mistress Of vices all; Then who can say But mirth and play Is best of all?

Company with honesty Is virtue, vices to flee; Company is good and ill, But every man hath his free wil. The best ensue, The worst eschew, My mind shall be; Virtue to use, Vice to refuse, Thus shall I use me.