

De matin ai rescountra / Far away, what splendour

Text: J.F. Domergue (fl. 1742)
 Music: Provençal traditional,
 arranged by Bizet and others

S./A.

Far a-way, what splen-dour comes this way? The wind is wa-ving ma-ny
 De ma-tin ai res-coun-tra lou train De tres gran rei qu'a-na-voun

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 co-loured ban-ners; Far a-way, what splen-dour comes this way? I
 en vou-y-a-gi; De ma-tin ai res-coun-tra lou trin De

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 see a ca-val-cade in fine ar-ray. O rich and fair Are the robes they wear, And
 tres gran rei des-su lou gran ca-min. Ai vis d'a-bor De gar-do cor, De

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 bright gold gleams on the har-ness of the ca-mels; O rich and fair Are the
 gen ar-ma em'u-no trou-po de pa-gi; Ai vis d'a-bor De

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 clothes they wear, And on their tur-bans glit-ter je-wels rare.
 gar-do cor, Tou-tei doou-ra des-su sei just' ouu cor.

S./A.

Kings, all three, such splen-did men must be, For each is brilliant as a
 Dins un char doou-ra de tou-to par Ve-sias lei rei mou-dest-e

T./B.

Kings, all three, such splen-did men must be, For each is
 Dins un char doou-ra de tou-to par Ve-sias lei

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 gol-den sun-rise; Kings, all three, such splen-did men must be, Who
 cou-mo d'an-gi; Dins un char doour-ra de tou-to par Ve-

bril-liant as a gol-den sun-rise, Kings, all three, such splen-did men must
 rei mou-dest-e cou-mo d'an-gi; Dins un char douur-ra de tou-to

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 on white stal-lions ride a King to see. They all o-
 sias bri-ha de ri-cheis e-stan-dar. Oou-sias d'ouu-

be, Who on white stal-lions ride a King to see.
 par Ve-sias bri-ha de ri-cheis e-stan-dar.

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 bey Him who leads by day, But ev'-ry night by a star they have been
 houas, De bel-lei vousas Que de moun Dieou pub-li-a-voun lei lou-

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guid - ed, They all o - obey Him who leads by day; His
an - gi; Oou - sias d'oou - houas De bel - lei vous Que

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long white beard is seen from far a - way. Now I hear the sound of mu-sic clear: A
di - sien d'er d'un ad - mir - a-ble chouas. Tout ra - vi d'en - ten - dre.a-co d'a - qui Mi

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page is sing-ing with a voice of sil - ver; Now I hear the sound of mu-sic
sieou ran - gea per vei-re l'e - qui - pa - gi; Tout ra - vi d'en - ten - dre.a-co d'a -

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clear; Such sing-ing ne - ver heard I far or near. O tell me why, In a
qui De luen en luen leis ai tou - jour sui - vi. L'a - stre bri - han Qu'e -

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sta - ble nigh, They stoop so low to a ba - by in a man - ger? O
ro da - van Ser - vie di gui-doe me - na - vo les tres ma - gi; L'a -

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tell me why, In a sta - ble nigh, They wor-ship him who on a cross will die?
stre bri - han Qu'e - ro da - van S'a - re - sté net quan fou-gué ver l'En-fan.

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