

A Clear-Cut Ballad

for low voice and piano

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Flowing easily ♩ = 69

(1) This is the story of Vis-count De Vere,
(3) "Say", said the Vis-count, sound-ing sin-cere,
(5) Guess-ing the cards would-n't need a seer,
(7) As he got furth-er, a-las! in ar-rears,

Sent to Aus-tra-lia for poach-ing of deer. Was-n't as bad as they
"Life on this boat seems to be pret-ty drear. Game of cards could
Sim-ple to give them a mark or a smear. He'd win e-nough to
Mur-ga-troyd falt-ered and burst in-to tears. Watch-ing the game, the crowd

made it ap-pear: Tough!... he was still trans- port-ed.
bring us some cheer? I've got a pack; they're sort-ed."
keep him a year! Thus his high hopes ex-hort-ed.
broke in-to cheers See-ing the trick-ster thwart-ed."