

**A  
BOOKE OF  
AYRES**

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**The first Booke**

III. I care not for these Ladies.

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That must be woode and praide,  
Giue me kind Amarillis,  
The wanton countrey maide,  
Nature art disdaineth,  
Her beautie is her owne,  
    Her when we court and kisse,  
    She cries forsooth let go,  
    But when we come where comfort is,  
    She neuer will say no.

If I loue Amarillis,  
She giues me fruit and flowers,  
But if we loue these Ladies,  
We must giue golden showers,  
Giue them gold that sell loue,  
Giue me the Nutbrowne lasse,  
    Who when we court &c.

These Ladies must haue pillowes,  
And beds by strangers wrought,  
Giue me a Bower of willowes,  
Of mosse and leaues vn Bought.  
And fresh Amarillis  
With milke and honie fed,  
    Who when we court &c.