

Sweet Suffolk Owl

a poem attributed to an anonymous author

set to music by various composers Richard Hundley

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Sweet Suffolk owl, so trimly dight With feathers like a lady bright,



Thou singest alone, sitting by night,



Te whit, te whoo, te whit, te whoo.



Thy note, that forth so freely rolls, With shrill command the mouse controls



And sings a dirge for dying souls,



Te whit, te whoo, te whit, te whoo.