

MARRIAGE SONG.

June 3, 1631.

To the tune of "Nery, most beautiful of neighbors."

*Good luck, prosperity, health, and peace,
We wish to the bride and the groom,
And since they of love have a lease,
May it be strong and bring no gloom.*

*We pray, God grant them as many joys
As there are stars seen in the skies;
And ere they're done with these earthly toys,
May children's children greet their eyes.*

*Let us all rejoice with friendly pride
As delighted guests this even-time
In brilliant light and with curtains wide,
And merry songs, and sparkling wine.*

*Here we have come to honor the two,
Who now in the spring-time of life
Have given their troth in public view
Henceforth to live as man and wife.*

*With what gladness they enter'd the door
Of enchanting matrimony!
God give them happiness evermore,
And offspring for testimony!*

*While yet we linger here together
Time will be given to make clear
And to settle the question whether
Another wedding-feast be near.*

Badness admitted.

End.