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# I'd be a Butterfly.

**B** <sup>Ballad</sup> **A** **L** **L** **A** **D**

Sung by  
**M<sup>rs</sup> Sharpe,**

at the  
**PARK THEATRE.**

The Words & Music by

*Thomas Haines Bailey.*

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Allegretto  
Ma non troppo  
Presto.

I'd be a Butterfly born in a bow'r, Where ROSES and LILIES and VIO-LETS meet;

RoV-ing for e-ver from Flower to flower, and kissing all buds that are pretty and sweet.

I'd never languish for wealth or for power, I'd never sigh to see slaves at my feet, I'd be a Butterfly

*lento.* *Cad: A Tempo. ad lib.*

born in a bow'r, And kissing all buds that are pretty and sweet. I'd be a Butterfly

*gva*

I'd be a Butterfly kissing all buds that are pretty and sweet.

*loco\**

I'd be a Butterfly . 4 .

\* loco Excepting on Piano Fortes with extra additional Keys.

Oh cou'd I pilfer the wand of a fairy, I'd have a pair of those beauti-ful wings; Their

summer day's ramble is sportive and ai-ry, They sleep in a rose when the Nightingale sings.

Those who have wealth must be watchful and wa-ry, Pow-er alas! nought but misery brings - -

Cadenza ad lib:

*A Tempo.*  
I'd be a Butterfly sportive and airy Rock'd in a Rose when the Nightingale sings. I'd be a Butterfly

I'd be a Butterfly Rock'd in a Rose when the Nightingale sings.

SLOW AND EXPRESSIVE.

What though you tell me each gay little ro-ver, Shrinks from the breath of the first autumn day;

Sure-ly 'tis better when summer is o-ver, To die, when all fair things are fading away,

Some in life's winter may toil to discover, Means of procuring a weary delay. I'd be a Butterfly

*Cadenza. ad lib: A Tempo.*

Living a rover Dy-ing when fair things are fading a-way. I'd be a Butterfly,

*8va*

I'd be a Butterfly, Dying when fair things are fading a-way.