Aura Lea
(1861)

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Lyrics: W.W. Fosdick
Arr. Merv Rowley/Ruth Randle 2012

Tuning D-F#-A
Key of D

1. When the black-bird in the Spring, On the willow tree,
2. In thy blush the rose was born, Music, when you spake,
3. Aura Lea! the bird may flee, The willow’s golden hair
4. When the mistletoe was green, Midst the winter’s snows,

Sat and rock’d, I heard him sing, Singing Aura Lea!
Through thine azure eye the morn, Sparkling seemed to break.
Swing through winter fitfully, On the stormy air.
Sunshine in thy face was seen, Kissing lips of rose.

Aura Lea, Aura Lea, Maid of golden hair;
Aura Lea, Aura Lea, Birds of crimson wing,
Yet if thy blue eyes I see, Gloom will soon depart;
Aura Lea, Aura Lea, Take my golden ring;

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Sun-shine came a-long with thee, And swal-lows in the air.
Nev-er song have sung to me, As in that sweet spring.
For to me, sweet Au-ra Lea Is sun-shine through the heart.
Love and light re-turn with thee, And swal-lows with the spring.

Chorus: Au-ra Lea, Au-ra Lea, Maid of gol-den hair:

Sun-shine came a-long with thee, And swal-lows in the air.