

KING HENRY VIII

Pas- time with good com- pa- ny I love and shall un- til I
 Youth must have some dal- li- ance, of good or ill some pas-
 Com- pa- ny with hon- es- ty is vir- tue, vi- ces to

die. Grudge who lust but none de- ny, so God be pleased thus
 tance. Com- pa- ny me- thinks is best all thoughts and fan- cies
 flee. Com- pa- ny is good or ill, but ev- ery man hath

love will I. For my pas- tance, hunt, sing and dance, my heart is
 to di- gest. For i- dle- ness, is chief mis- tress of vi- ces
 his free will. The best en- sue, the worst es- chew, my mind shall

set. All good- ly sport for my com- fort, who shall me let?
 all. Then who can say but mirth and play is best of all?
 be. My mind to use, vice to re- fuse, thus shall I use me.

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