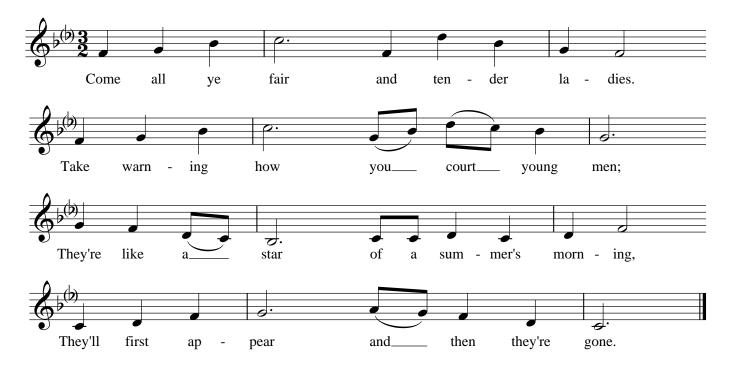
Come All You Fair and Tender Ladies

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- 2. They'll tell to you some pleasing story, They'll declare to you they are your own; Straightway they'll go and court some other And leave you here in tears to mourn.
- 3. I wish I were a little sparrow
 And I had wings and I could fly;
 Straight after my true love I would follow,
 When they'd be talking I'd be by.
- But I am not a little sparrow,
 Got no wings, nor I can't fly;
 I will sit right down in grief and sorrow
 And try to pass my troubles by.
- If I had known before I courted
 That love had been so hard to win,
 I'd locked my heart with the keys of golden,
 And pinned it down with a silver pin.