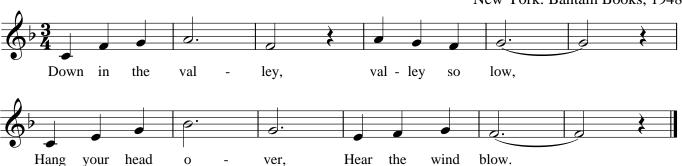
Down in the Valley #2

Source: Sylvia and John Kolb A Treasury of Folk Songs New York: Bantam Books, 1948



- 2. Hear the wind blow, love, hear the wind blow; Hang your head over, hear the wind blow.
- 3. If you don't love me, love whom you please; Throw your arms round me, give my heart ease.
- 4. Give my heart ease, love, give my heart ease; Throw your arms round me, give my heart ease.
- 5. Write me a letter, send it by mail, Send it in care of Birmingham Jail.
- 6. Birmingham Jail, love, Birmingham Jail, Send it in care of Birmingham Jail.
- 7. Writing this letter, containing three lines, Answer my question, "Will you be mine?"
- 8. Will you be mine, dear, will you be mine? Answer my question, "Will you be mine?"
- 9. Build me a castle forty feet high, So I can see her as she goes by.
- 10. As she goes by, dear, as she goes by, So I can see her as she goes by.
- 11. Roses love sunshine, violets love dew; Angels in Heaven know I love you.
- 12. Know I love you, dear, know I love you; Angels in Heaven know I love you.

Background Information

"As few of our folk songs, [this song] has crossed the boundaries of geography and background and has become a national song, its stanzas a distillation of many love songs now forgotten. It is a song for many people to sing together with harmony thrown in. Blow it out soft on a harmonica by yourself and it may make you cry."

Lomax, John A. and Alan, Folk Song: U.S.A.