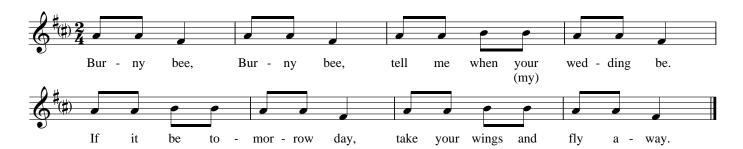
Burny Bee

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Background Information

"Burny-bee" is a name for the ladybird (ladybug). The chant is said to a ladybird perched on a child's finger, after which the child blows gently on the insect and it flies away.

Another version of the chant:

Bless you, bless you, burnie-bee, Tell me when my wedding be; If it be tomorrow day, Take your wings and fly away. Fly to the east, fly to the west, Fly to him I love the best.