

Diddle diddle

from the Pepys Collection *or the Kind Country Lovers*

Anon.

F **F** **Bb** **Bb**

Call up your maids, did - dle, did - dle, set them to work,
 I hear a bird, did - dle, did - dle, sing in my ear,
 Down in the dale, did - dle, did - dle, where flowers do grow,
 James at the George, did - dle, did - dle, Sue at the Swan,
 Oft have I been, did - dle, did - dle, with her in the dark,
 I will be kind, did - dle, did - dle, un - til I die,

F **F** **Bb** **C** **F**

Some to make hay, did - dle, did - dle, some to the rock,
 "Maids will be scarce, did - dle, did - dle, the next new year
 And birds do sing, did - dle, did - dle, all in a row,
 He loves his maid, did - dle, did - dle, she loves her man,
 But I have n'er, did - dle, did - dle, shot at the mark,
 Then pri - thee love, did - dle, did - dle, my dog and I,

F **F** **Bb** **Bb**

Some to make hay, did - dle, did - dle, some to the corn,
 For young men are, did - dle, did - dle, too wan - ton grown
 A brisk young man, did - dle, did - dle, with a maid,
 There lives a lass, did - dle, did - dle, o - ver the green,
 But now, my dear, did - dle, did - dle, have at thy bum,
 For thee and I, did - dle, did - dle, now are all one,

F F B \flat C F

While you and I, did - dle, did - dle, keep the bed warm.
 that they n'er mind, did - dle, did - dle, which is their own."
 And laid her down, did - dle, did - dle, all in the shade.
 She sells good ale, did - dle, did - dle, know what I mean...
 For I do swear, did - dle, did - dle, now I am come.
 And we will lie, did - dle, did - dle, no more a lone.

F F B \flat B \flat

La - ven - ders Green, La - ven - ders Blue,

F F B \flat C F

You must love me, 'cos I love you.