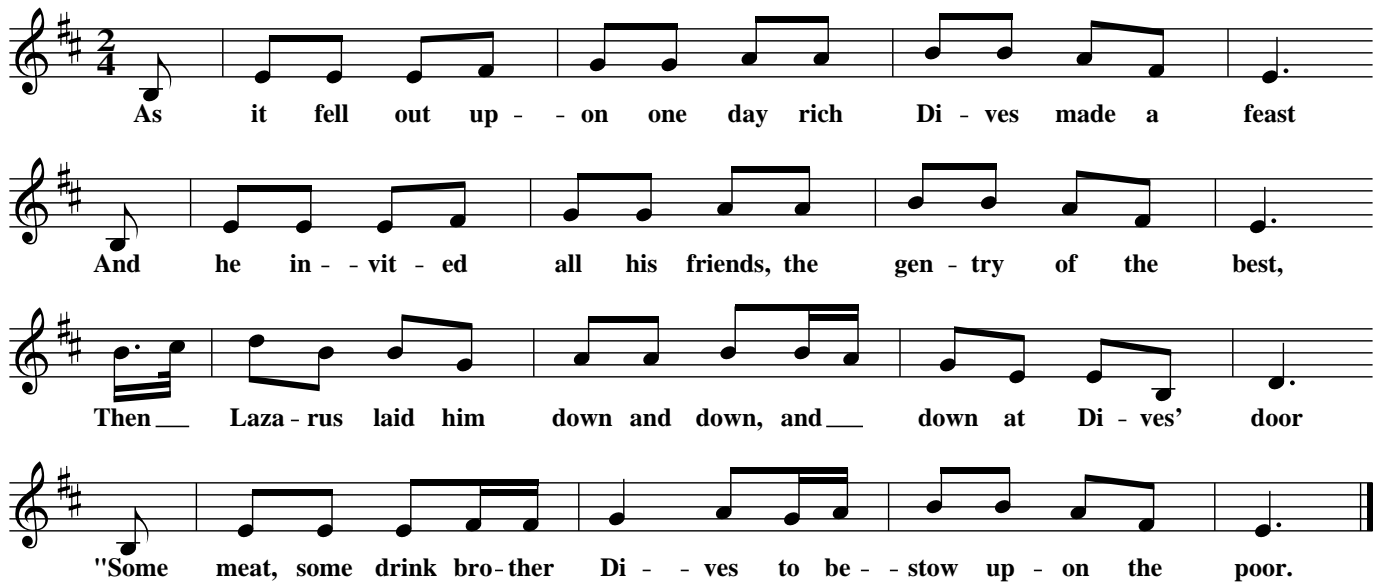


## Dives and Lazarus



As it fell out up - - on one day rich Di - ves made a feast  
 And he in - - vit - ed all his friends, the gen - try of the best,  
 Then Laza - rus laid him down and down, and down at Di - ves' door  
 "Some meat, some drink bro-ther Di - - ves to be - - stow up - on the poor.

2. "Thou art none of my brothers, Lazarus, lies begging at my door,  
 Nor meat nor drink will I give thee or bestow upon the poor"  
 Then Lazarus laid him down and down, and down at Dives' gate,  
 "Some meat, some drink, Brother Dives for Jesus Christ'es sake."
3. "Thou art none of my brothers, Lazarus lies begging at my gate,  
 Nor meat nor drink will I give thee for Jesus Christ'es sake"  
 Then Dives sent out his merry men to whip poor Lazarus away,  
 They had no power to strike a stroke, but threw their whips away.
4. Then Dives sent out two hungry dogs to bite him as he lay,  
 They had no power to bite at all, but licked his sores away.
5. As it fell out upon a day, poor Lazarus sickened and died,  
 There came two angels out of heaven his soul therein to guide.  
 "Rise up, rise up brother Lazarus and come along with me  
 For there's a place prepared in heaven to sit on an angel's knee."
6. As it fell out upon one day, rich Dives sickened and died,  
 There came two angels out of hell his soul therein to guide.  
 "Rise up, rise up brother Dives and come along with me  
 For there's a place prepared in hell from which thou canst not flee."
7. Then Dives lifted up his eyes and saw poor Lazarus blessed  
 "Give me one drop of water to quench my flaming thirst  
 If I had as many years to live as there are blades of grass  
 Then I would find my peace secure, the devil should have no Powers."

Source: Emily Bishop, Bromsberrow Heath, 26th June 1954, collected by Russell Wortley

Notes: The couplet verse 4 she sang to the second half of the tune.