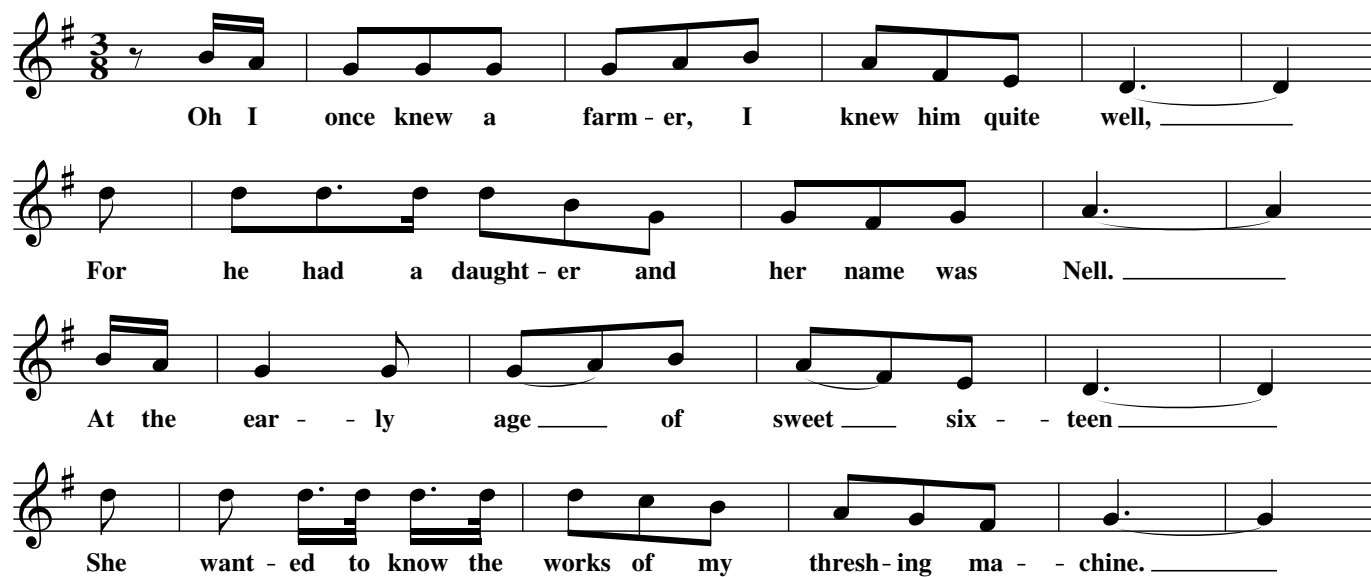


Threshing Machine



Oh I once knew a farm - er, I knew him quite well, _____

For he had a daught - er and her name was Nell. _____

At the ear - - ly age _____ of sweet _____ six - - teen _____

She want - ed to know the works of my thresh - ing ma - - chine. _____

2. Well, the boys was out in the meadows so green,
So she showed me where her Daddy did stack the hay,
And under her pinny I plainly did see
Her brand new two cylinder threshing machine.

3. Ah, three months rolled by and all was not well,
There's something the matter with our little Nell,
For under her pinny was plainly to see
The dust that flew out of my threshing machine.

4. Six more months rolled by, the babe was born,
That just goes to show Fingers George can thresh corn,
For under his nappy was plainly to see
Her brand new two cylinder threshing machine.

Source: George Orchard, collected by Gwilym Davies, Haydon, 2000.