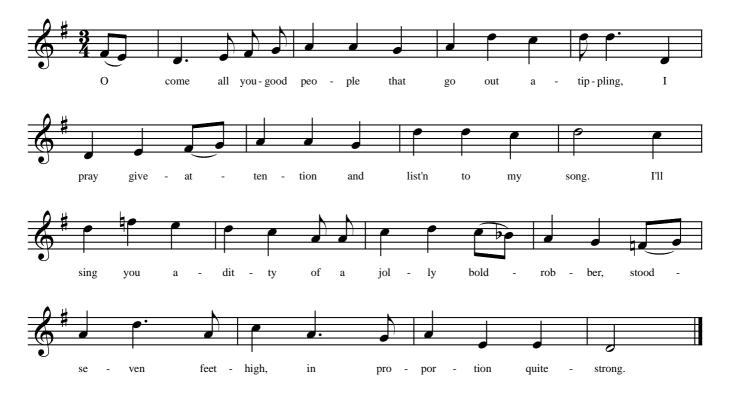
10b Bold Robber - Mr Elmer



O come all you good people that go out a-tippling, I pray give attention and list'n to my song. I'll sing you a ditty of a saucy bold robber; stood seven feet high, in proportion quite strong.

He robbed lawyer Morgans and the lady of Dorgans, five hundred bright guineas from each one of them. Till he was a-walking, he met a young sailor and bold as a lion he stepped up to him.

3 'Deliver your money, my jolly young sailor, you have plenty of bulk in your pocket, I see.' But, 'Aye', said the sailor, 'I have plenty of money, but while I have life I have got none for thee.

I have just left my shipping and taken my money; I'm bound for old England, my friends for to see. I've ninety bright guineas my friends to make merry, so I pray, saucy robber, don't you take it from me.'

5 Then the saucy bold robber struck the jolly young sailor such a blow on the head which brought him to the ground. But, 'Aye,' says the sailor, 'you have struck me quite heavy but I must endeavour to return it again.'

6 O then they both strippèd and like lambkins they skippèd; they went life for life like soldiers in field, and the ninety-eighth meeting it was a completing, and this jolly young sailor the robber then killed.

Says the jolly young sailor to the saucy bold robber, 'I hope you won't lay any blame on to me. If I'd been a robber of ten hundred guineas I never would have stopped a poor sailor like me.'