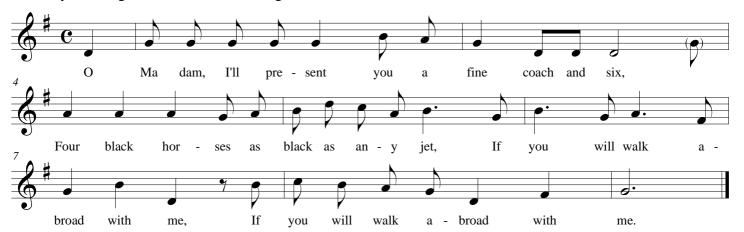
GB/6b/24 [O Madam I'll Present You]

[The Keys of Heaven] 1st Version

Sung by Mr. Woods, Tidenham, Norfolk, December 1911

Noted by R. Vaughan Williams and George Butterworth



- O Madam I'll present you a fine coach and six, Four black horses as black as any jet, If you will walk abroad with me, If you will walk abroad with me.
- 2. O I won't accept your fine coach and six, (etc.)
- 3. O Madam I'll present you a fine easy chair, To set in the garden and take the morning air, If you... (etc.)
- 4. O I won't accept... (etc.)
- 5. O Madam I'll present you a fine silken gown, Four yards long all a-trailed on the ground, If you... (etc.)
- 6. O I won't accept... (etc.)

- 7. O Madam I'll present you a fine gold watch, To hang by your side to tell you what's the time, If you... (etc.)
- 8. O I won't accept... (etc.)
- 9. O Madam I'll present you the key of my chest, And all my gold jewels and jewels I possess, If you... (etc.)
- 10. O I won't accept... (etc.)
- 11. O Madam I'll present you the key of my heart, And married we will be and never never part, If you... (etc.)
- 12. O I will accept... (etc.)

Lucy Broadwood has annotated this ms, first by crossing out Butterworth's title of "The Keys of Heaven" and writing in "No! it <u>isn't</u> - LEB" and she adds a the following note:

Please don't call this 'The Keys of Heaven' which don't come into this version & is merely the title of my particular version in 'County Songs' which does turn on the Keys of Heaven. "Madam I present you" is the title that usually covers this class of song.

LEB

If any songs are to be omitted I should leave this out as the song is in most nursery-rhyme books in similar versions (Halliwell, Chambers, etc.etc.)