Lolly Too Dum

Words & Music: Traditional American

Thanks to correspondent Hub Seward for sending the final two verses of this song!

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As I went out one morning to take the pleasant air,

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Lolly too dum, too dum, Lolly too dum day.

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As I went out one morning to take the pleasant air,

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I overheard a mother a-scolding her daughter fair,

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Lolly too dum, too dum, Lolly too dum day.

"You better go wash them dishes, and hush that flattering tongue."
Lolly too dum, too dum, Lolly too dum day.
"You better so wash them dishes, and hush that flattering tongue."

"You better go wash them dishes, and hush that flattering tongue. You know you want to get married and that you are too young." Lolly too dum, too dum, Lolly too dum day.

"Oh, pity my condition just as you would your own.
Lolly too dum, too dum, Lolly too dum day.
"Oh, pity my condition just as you would your own.
For fourteen long years, I've been living all alone."
Lolly too dum, too dum, Lolly too dum day.

"Supposing I was willing, where would you get your man?" Lolly too dum, too dum, Lolly too dum day.
"Supposing I was willing, where would you get your man?"
"Why, Lordy, mercy! Mama, I'd marry Handsome Sam."
Lolly too dum, too dum, Lolly too dum day.

"Supposing he should slight you like you done him before?" Lolly too dum, too dum, Lolly too dum day.

"Supposing he should slight you like you done him before?"
"Why, Lordy, mercy! Mama, I'd marry forty more."
Lolly too dum, too dum, Lolly too dum day.

"There's peddlers and tinkers and boys from the plow."
Lolly too dum, too dum, Lolly too dum day.
"There's peddlers and tinkers and boys from the plow."
"Why, Lordy, mercy! Mama, I'm getting' that feelin' now."
Lolly too dum, too dum, Lolly too dum day.

"Now, my daughter's married and well for to do."
Lolly too dum, too dum, Lolly too dum day.
"Now, my daughter's married and well for to do."
"Gather 'round, young fellers! I'm on the market, too!"
Lolly too dum, too dum, Lolly too dum day.

"Lordy, mercy! Mama, what man wants a wife as old as you?"
Lolly too dum, too dum, Lolly too dum day.
"There's doctors and there's lawyers and men of high degree.
Some of them will marry and one will marry me!"
Lolly too dum, too dum, Lolly too dum day.

"Now, we both are married and well for to be."
Lolly too dum, too dum, Lolly too dum day.
"Now, we both are married and well for to be."
"Ha! Ha! Ha, you pretty young girls, that feelings off of me!"
Lolly too dum, too dum, Lolly too dum day.