

## Down in the Valley

American/English ballad (3/4)

*aka "Birmingham Jail" by Lead Belly*

I

V7

Down in the valley, the valley so low

I

Hang your head over, hear the wind blow.

V7

Hear the wind blow, dear, hear the wind blow;

I

Late in the evening, hear the wind blow.

Roses love sunshine, violets love dew,  
Angels in Heaven know I love you,  
Know I love you, dear, know I love you,  
Angels in Heaven know I love you.

Build me a castle, forty feet high;  
So I can see her as she rides by,  
As she rides by, dear, as she rides by,  
So I can see her as she rides by.

"If you don't love me, love whom you please,"  
"Throw your arms round me, give my heart ease,"  
"Give my heart ease, dear, give my heart ease,"  
"Throw your arms round me, give my heart ease,"

Write me a letter, send it by mail;  
Send it in care of the Birmingham jail,  
Birmingham jail, dear, Birmingham jail,  
Send it in care of the Birmingham jail.