When that I Was a Little Tiny Boy

When that I Was a Little Tiny Boy

When that I was a little tiny boy
With a heigh-ho, the wind and the rain
A foolish thing was but a toy
For the rain it raineth ev'ry day

chorus: With a heigh-ho, the wind and the rain
For the rain it raineth ev'ry day.

But when I came to man's estate
With a heigh-ho, the wind and the rain
'Gainst thieves and knaves men shut their gate,
For the rain it raineth ev'ry day.

But when I came, alas!, to wive
With a heigh-ho, the wind and the rain
By swaggering never could I thrive,
For the rain it raineth ev'ry day.
A great while ago the world begun
With a heigh-ho, the wind and the rain
But that's all one, our play is done
And we'll strive to please you every day.

Note: Sung in the epilogue of Shakespeare's Twelfth Night. Tune
contemporaneous with words; ca 1550. RG
From Songs From Shakespeare's Plays, Kines