

# Sixteen Tons - 4 Strophen in g-moll

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♩ = 144

Sopran 

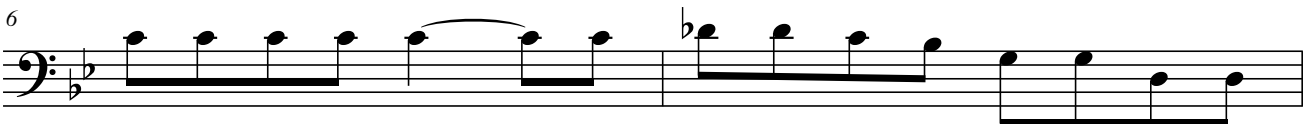
1. Some \_\_\_\_\_ peo - ple say a man \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_  
 2. I was born \_\_\_\_\_ one \_\_\_\_\_ morn - in' when the  
 3. I was born \_\_\_\_\_ one \_\_\_\_\_ morn - in' it was  
 4. If you see \_\_\_\_\_ me \_\_\_\_\_ come - in bet - ter \_\_\_\_\_

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made out of mud \_\_\_\_\_ A poor \_\_\_\_\_ man's \_\_\_\_\_ made \_\_\_\_\_ out of  
 sun did - n't shine \_\_\_\_\_ I picked \_\_\_\_\_ up my shov - el and I  
 driz - zling rain \_\_\_\_\_ figh - in' and trou - ble are \_\_\_\_\_  
 — step a side \_\_\_\_\_ A \_\_\_\_\_ lot - ta men \_\_\_\_\_ did - n't \_\_\_\_\_ a

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mus - cle and blood, \_\_\_\_\_ Mus - cle and \_\_\_\_\_ blood \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_  
 walked to the mine, I load - ed Six - teen \_\_\_\_\_ tons \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_  
 my mid - dle name \_\_\_\_\_ I was raised \_\_\_\_\_ in a cane brake by an  
 lot - ta men died \_\_\_\_\_ One \_\_\_\_\_ fist of i - ron \_\_\_\_\_ the

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skin \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ bones \_\_\_\_\_ A mind \_\_\_\_\_ that's \_\_\_\_\_ weak \_\_\_\_\_ and a  
 num - ber nine \_\_\_\_\_ coal And the store - boss \_\_\_\_\_ said \_\_\_\_\_ "Well - a  
 ole \_\_\_\_\_ ma - ma lion, Cain't no high \_\_\_\_\_ toned \_\_\_\_\_ wo - man make me  
 oth - er of \_\_\_\_\_ steel. If the right one dont't - a - get you, then the

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back that's strong.. R: You load...  
 bless my soul". " "  
 walk the line. " "  
 left one will. " "