Coventry Carol

Pageant of the Shearmen and Tailors. (15th Century)
The words are by Robert Croo, and printed by E. Rhys in "Everyman and other Plays".


This is one of the earliest polyphonic carols it describes in old English what Mary sang to her child. "Lully lullay" are now not common English words but in the 1400's and 1500's, they were common slang words meaning "I saw, I saw!".

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