Pwyll And Rhiannon (by Morgana bro Morganwg)

***Notes on the music: Morgana may have had a tune in mind or been given one for this song already. I found the words alone with no tune cited, and so I created one, because I like her work. I checked with her, and she doesn't recall whether she had music for it. BUT, she likes mine, and approved me using it and sharing it.***

⁂ ***Non-italicized text uses one tune, and italicized text uses another; and I imagine them in a man's voice, and a woman's voice, respectively. It just makes a nice bonus if you can get two people to sing it together.***

**Oh, they say he rode into Faery**

**To take her for his wife,**

**But the man who rides into Faery**

**Plays dangerous games with his life.**

***She had hair like a morning sunrise,***

***And skin like a milk-white mare,***

***And birds of gold and white and green,***

***That followed her everywhere.***

***She was the goddess of living creatures,***

***Of the beasts of the fields and herds,***

***Making butterflies with the words of a song,***

***And filling the air with birds.***

**And Pwyll was only a mortal man,**

**Tho' in his own land a king,**

**Who gazed one time on a goddess fair,**

**And forgot about every thing.**

**And Pwyll dared to try and win her,**

**Dared to test with the King of Shades,**

**For no mortal woman could touch the heart,**

**That he'd lost to the fairest of maids.**

**So he risked all the wrath of Faery,**

**For to win his goddess bride,**

**And when he rode back to mortal sun,**

**Rhiannon was at his side.**

***She gave up the gifts of a goddess,***

***For the love of a mortal man,***

***Accepting the pain of age and death,***

***And living a mortal span.***

***Love is worth the pain of dying,***

***For t'was part of Rhiannon's plan,***

***To bring true love to the mortal world,***

***And a touch of the gods to man.***

**Of the love of Pwyll and Rhiannon**

**Even now the minstrels sing,**

***The goddess who rode out of Faery***

***To wed with a mortal king.***