

Roger the Miller - Mr Gorble



Young Rog - er of - the mill - one morn - ing ver - y soon put on - his best - a -



par - rel, new hose - and clou - ten shoon, and he a - woo - ing fell - to



bon - ny, bux - om Nell - . Ad - zooks said he, can you fan - cy me? for I



Like - you won - drous well, well, well - , I like - like you won - drous well.

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'Twas early the next morn, and on a holiday
young Roger dress'd his team and gave them corn and hay.
'I'm come to speak my mind. What say'st thou bonny Nell?
Adzooks' said he, 'can you fancy me
for I like thee wond'rous well, well, well;
for I like thee wondrous well.'

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'I thank you for your words,' the damsel she replied,
'I'm not in such a haste to be a ploughman's bride,
for I do live in hopes to wed a farmer's son.'
'If that be so,' said he, 'I'll go,
Farewell for I have done, have done;
farewell for I have done.'

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'Your horses you have dress'd, I think I heard you say,
made all in readiness, and being come this way,
so sit and chat a while.' 'No, no indeed, not I,
I cannot sit nor cannot chat;
I've other fish to fry, to fry;
I've other fish to fry.'

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'Go take your farmer's son, with all my honest heart,
for though my name be Hodge, and I drive a plough and cart,
I need not tarry long before I get a wife.
There's buxom Joan, 'tis very well known
she loves me as her life, her life;
she loves me as her life'

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'O what is buxom Joan? Can I not suit as well?
For she has ne'er a fortune as much as bonny Nell.
I have got forty shillings.' The words made Hodge to smile.
He bowed his head and drew a chair
and vowed he'd chat a while, a while;
and vowed he'd chat a while.

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'So now, my dearest Nell, against next Quarter Day
if thou hast fifty shillings why need we longer stay?
For I have fifty more; the money a cow will buy.
We'll join our hands in wedlock's bands;
There's none like you or I, or I;
there's none like you or I.