

WILD AND WICKED YOUTH.

In Newry town I was bred and born, In Steven's Green I died with scorn, I served my time to the saddling trade, And always was a roving blade.

At seventeen I took a wife, I loved her dear as I loved my life, And to maintain her fine and gay, A robbing went on the highway.

But my money did grow low,
On the highway I was forced to go,
Where I robbed both lords and ladies bright,
Brought home the gold to my heart's delight.

I robbed Lord Golding I do declare, Lady Mansfield in Grosvenor Square, I-shut the shutters and bid 'em good night, And went away to my heart's delight.

To Covent Garden I took my way, With my blooming fair to see the play, Till Fielding's gang did me pursue, Taken I was by that cursed crew.

My father cries I am undone, My mother cries for her darling son, My wife she tore her golden hair, What shall I do for I'm in despair.

But when I'm dead and in my grave, A decent funeral let me have, Six highwaymen to carry me, Give them broad swords and liberty.

Six blooming girls bear my pall, Give them gloves and ribbons all, When I am dead, they tell the truth, He was a wild and wicked youth.

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GILES SCRO'GGIN'S

Giles Scroggi as courted Molly Brown,
Fol de riddle lol de riddle lido
The fair est wench in all the town,
Fol de riddle lol, &c

He bought her a ring and posy true,

Ye you loves I as I loves you,

No knife shall cut our loves in two,

Fol de riddle lol, &c.

But scissars cut as well as knives,

Fol de riddle lol, &c.
And quite unsartain's all our lives,

Fol de riddle lol, &c.
The day they were to have been wed,
Fate's scissars cut poor Giles' thread,
So they could not be mar-ri-ed,

Fol de riddle lol, & c

Poor Molly laid her down to weep,
Fol de riddle lol, &c.
And cried herself quite fast asleep,

Fol de riddle lol, &c. When standing fast by her bed-post, A figure tall her sight engross'd,

And it cried, I be's Giles Scroggin's ghost, Fol de riddle lol, &c.

The ghost it said all solemnly,

Fol de riddle lol, &c.

O Molly you must go with I,

Fol de riddle lol, &c.
All to the grave your love to cool,
Says she, I am not dead yet you fool,
Says the ghost, says he, vy that's no rule,
Fol de riddle lol, &c.

The ghost he seiz'd her all so grim,

Fol de riddle lol, &c.

All for to go along with him,

Fol de riddle lol, &c. Come, come, said he, ere morning beam, I von't, said she, and scream'd a scream, Then she awoke and found she'd dreamt a dream.

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