

## ***The HUMOUR IS ON ME NOW***

AS I WENT OUT ONE MORNING,  
IT BEING THE MONTH OF MAY  
A FARMER AND HIS DAUGHTER  
I SPIED UPON MY WAY  
AND THE GIRL SAT DOWN QUITE CALMLY  
TO THE MILKING OF HER COW  
SAYING "I WILL AND I MUST GET MARRIED  
FOR THE HUMOR IS ON ME NOW!"

"AH, BE QUIET, YOU FOOLISH DAUGHTER  
AND HOLD YOUR SIMPLE TONGUE -  
YOU'RE BETTER FREE AND SINGLE  
AND HAPPY WHILE YOU'RE YOUNG!"  
BUT THE DAUGHTER SHOOK HER SHOULDERS  
AND MILKED HER PATIENT COW  
SAYING "I WILL AND I MUST GET MARRIED  
FOR THE HUMOUR IS ON ME NOW!"

"SURE WHO ARE YOU TO TURN ME  
THAT MARRIED YOUNG YOURSELF  
AND TOOK MY DARLING MOTHER  
FROM OFF THE SINGLE SHELF?"  
"AH, DAUGHTER DEAR, GO EASY,  
AND MILK YOUR PATIENT COW  
FOR A MAN MAY HAVE HIS HUMOUR  
BUT THE HUMOUR IS OFF ME NOW!"

"WELL INDEED, I'LL TELL MY MOTHER  
THE AWFUL THINGS YOU SAY SAY -  
INDEED I'LL TELL MY MOTHER  
THIS VERY BLESSED DAY!"  
"NOW, DAUGHTER - HAVE A HEART, DEAR -  
YOU'LL START A FEARFUL ROW!"  
"SO I WILL UNLESS I MARRY,  
FOR THE HUMOUR IS ON ME NOW."

"OCH, IF YOU MUST BE MARRIED  
WILL YOU TELL ME WHO'S THE MAN?"  
AND QUICKLY SHE DID ANSWER  
"THERE'S WILLIAM, JAMES AND DAN -  
A CARPENTER, A TAILOR,  
AND A MAN TO MILK THE COW,  
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"A CARPENTER'S A SHARP MAN  
AND A TAILOR'S HARD TO FACE  
WITH HIS LEGS ACROSS THE TABLE  
AND HIS THREADS ABOUT THE PLACE  
AND SURE DAN'S A FEARFUL TYRANT  
AND NEVER LACKS A ROW-  
BUT I WILL AND I MUST BE MARRIED  
FOR THE HUMOUR IS ON ME NOW."

"WELL, IF YOU MUST BE MARRIED  
WILL YOU TELL ME WHAT YOU'LL DO?"  
"SURE I WILL," THE DAUGHTER ANSWERED,  
"JUST THE SAME AS MA AND YOU -  
I'LL BE MISTRESS OF MY DAIRY  
AND MY BUTTER AND MY COW"  
"AND YOUR HUSBAND TOO, I'LL WAGER,  
FOR THE HUMOUR IS ON YOU NOW!"

SO AT LAST THE DAUGHTER MARRIED  
AND MARRIED WELL-TO-DO,  
AND LOVED HER DARLING HUSBAND  
FOR A MONTH, A YEAR OR TWO;  
BUT DAN WAS ALL A TYRANT  
AND SHE QUICKLY RUED HER VOW  
SAYING "I'M SORRY THAT I MARRIED  
FOR THE HUMOUR IS *OFF ME* NOW!"