

# **JOHNNY JUMP UP**

I'LL TELL YOU A STORY THAT HAPPENED TO ME  
ONE DAY AS I WENT DOWN TO YOUGHAL BY THE SEA  
THE SUN IT WAS BRIGHT AND THE DAY IT WAS WARM  
SAYS I "NOW A PINT COULDN'T DO ANY HARM!"

I WENT IN AND I CALLED FOR A BOTTLE OF STOUT  
SAYS THE BARMAN "I'M SORRY - THE BEER'S ALL SOLD OUT  
TRY JAMEY OR PADDY, TEN YEARS IN THE WOOD!"  
SAYS I "I'LL TRY CIDER - I HEARD IT WAS GOOD!"

*OH NEVER OH NEVER OH NEVER AGAIN  
IF I LIVE TO A HUNDRED OR A HUNDRED AND TEN  
FOR I FELL TO THE GROUND AND I COULDN'T GET UP  
AFTER DRINKING A QUART OF THE JOHNNY JUMP UP!*

AFTER A SECOND AND THIRD  
I MADE STRAIGHT FOR THE YARD  
WHERE I BUMPED INTO BROPHY, THE BIG CIVIC GUARD  
"COME HERE TO ME, BOY - DON'T YOU KNOW I'M THE LAW?"  
WELL I UP WITH MY FIST AND I SHATTERED HIS JAW!

THE NEXT THING I MET DOWN IN YOUGHAL BY THE SEA  
WAS A CRIPPLE ON CRUTCHES, AND SAYS HE TO ME:  
"I'M AFRAID OF MY LIFE I'LL GET HIT BY A CAR  
WOULD YOU HELP ME ACROSS TO THE RAILWAYMEN'S BAR?"

I GAVE HIM MY ARM - CROSS THE TRACKS WE DID GO  
AND THERE IN THE PUB HE PUT ON QUITE A SHOW  
AFTER DRINKING A QUART OF THAT CIDER SO SWEET  
HE THREW DOWN HIS CRUTCHES AND DANCED ON HIS FEET!

A MAN DIED IN THE UNION BY THE NAME OF MCNABB  
WE WASHED HIM AND LAID HIM OUTSIDE ON A SLAB  
AND AFTER O'CONNOR HIS MEASUREMENTS DID TAKE  
HIS WIFE TOOK HIM HOME TO A BLOODY FINE WAKE

THEN ABOUT TWELVE O'CLOCK,  
WHEN THE BEER IT WAS HIGH  
THE CORPSE CAME TO LIFE AND HE SAYS WITH A SIGH  
"I CAN'T GET TO HEAVEN - THEY WON'T LET ME UP  
TILL I BRING THEM A QUART OF THE JOHNNY JUMP UP!"