The Fox Hunt



You gentlemen of high renown Come listen unto me That take delight in foxhunting By every degree A story now I'll tell to you Concerning of a fox O'er Royston Hills and mountains high And over stony rocks.

Old Reynold being in his den And hearing of these hounds Which made him for to prick his ears And tread upon the ground "Methink me hear some jubal hounds Pressing upon my life Before that they to me shall come I'll tread upon the ground." We hunted full four hours or more By parishes sixteen We hunted full four hours or more And come by Barkworth Green "Oh if you'll only spare my life I promise and fulfill I'll touch no more your feathered fowl Nor lambs in yonder fold."

Old Reynold beat and out of breath And dreading of these hounds Thinking that he might lose his life Before these jubal hounds "Oh here's adieu to duck and geese Likewise young lamb also" They've got old Reynold by the brush And will not let him go.