Turpin Hero



O rare Turin hero, O rare Turpin O.

Says Turpin, "He won't find me out, I've hid my money in my boot." The lawyer says, "No one can find The gold I've stitched in my cape behind."

As they rode by the foot of the hill Turpin commands him to stand still. Says he, "Tou cape I must cut off For my mare she needs a new saddle-cloth."

As Turpin rode over Salisbury Plain He met a judge with all his train. Then to the judge he did approach And robbed him as he sat in his coach.

For the shooting of a dunghill cock Turpin now at last is took, And no he lingers in a jail Where his ill-luck he doth bewail.

Now Turpin is condemned to die And hang upon a gallows high. His legacy is the hangman's rope For the shooting of a dunghill cock.