

The Old Woman Tossed up in a Blanket

The musical score is written on five staves in G major (one sharp) and 6/8 time. The melody is simple and folk-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: 'There was an old wo - man tossed up in a blan - ket. Nine - ty nine times as high as the moon. And un - der her (ap - ron?) she carr - ied a bas - - ket. Un - der her arm she carr - ied a broom. 'Oh, where are you going, oh with - - er so high?' 'I'm going to sweep cob - - webs off of the sky. And af - - ter that we shall all drop down.'

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Source: Sung by Sarah Phelps, 7 Council Houses, Avening.

Collected by James Madison Carpenter between 1927 and 1935.

Notes: Words on recording are very indistinct.