

King of the Barbarees.



"Castle" (A&B) We won't surrender etc.

A&B to Prince curtseying twice, Good morning young Prince,

Good morning young Prince I have to explain to thee.

What is it? They won't surrender, they won't surrender the King of the Barbarees

Take some of my brave soldiers.

C with 2 more soldiers, repeats challenge, and returns to Prince for more soldiers
till all move round castle

Finally Prince says I'll come myself Then all walk round with Prince at head, singing

I'll make you surrender etc.

Fight ensues in the usual manner

Source: Sung by children at Stow-on-the-Wold. Collected by Cecil Sharp on July 29th 1909.

Notes: Only the tune and one verse collected at Coates. The remaining verses and a description of the game have been supplied from a version collected in Coates.

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