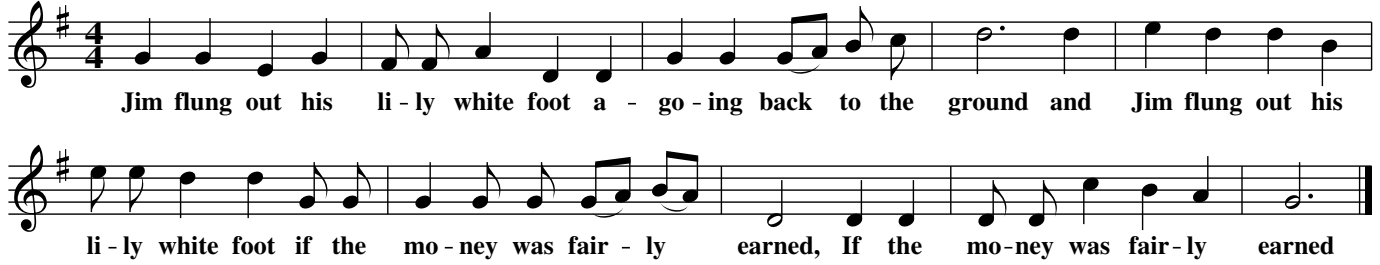


Creeping Jane



Jim flung out his li - ly white foot a - go - ing back to the ground and Jim flung out his
li - ly white foot if the mo - ney was fair - ly earned, If the mo - ney was fair - ly earned

1. I once had a mare, and a very pretty one,
Her name it was Creeping Jane.
She never ran a race with a horse or a mare,
That she valued one single pin.
Fol rol the day, fol rol the rido,
That she valued one single pin
2. When Creeping Jane to the starting post she came,
She looked as lean as a hound.
And the people did say within themselves -
"She'll never run over the ground."
Fol rol the day, fol rol the rido,
"She'll never run over the ground."
3. When she came to the first mile post,
Creeping Jane was a-lingering behind.
The jockey clapped his whip to her little light neck,
And he said - "My little lady, never mind."
Fol rol the day, fol rol the rido,
And he said - "My little lady, never mind."
4. And when she came to the second mile post,
The jockey began to heart.
He cracked his whip to her little right side,
And she passed by them all like a dart.
Fol rol the day, fol rol the rido,
And she passed by them all like a dart.
5. Now Creeping Jane has won this race,
And she scarcely sweats one drop.
She's able to gallop the ground over now,
While the others can scarcely trot.
Fol rol the day, fol rol the rido,
While the others can scarcely trot.
6. Now Creeping Jane is dead and gone,
She's lying on the hard, cold ground.
I'll go straightway to my father's cot,
And beg her little body from the hounds.
Fol rol the day, fol rol the rido,
And beg her little body from the hounds.

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Notes: The words noted by Sharp appear to be a very corrupted version of the usual text.
Some versions refer to Creeping Jane picking up her little white feet.