

# Brandon on the Moor

A

All for a true born Ir - - ish man, True sto - ry I will tell,  
His name was Wil - lie Bran - don and from Ire - - land did re - - well.

B

His brace of load - ed pis - tols \_\_\_\_\_ He car - ried both night and day  
He ne - ver robbed a poor \_\_\_\_\_ man Up - - on the King's high - - way.

C

But what he took was from the rich like Tur - pin and Black Bess,  
He al - ways did re - - bide with the wi - dows in dis - - tress.

Chorus

Bran - - don on the moor, Bran - - don on the moor,  
Bold - - ly un - - daun - ted was young Bran - don on the moor

2. Young Willie met a packman,  
His name was Billo Brown  
They both jogged along together me boys  
'Til daylight did redawn  
When the pedlar found his money gone,  
Likewise his watch and chain  
He at once recounted Brandon,  
And robbed him back again  
Chorus:

5. With his brace of loaded pistols,  
The truth I shall repose,\*  
He made the mayor tremble  
And he robbed him of his gold  
Five hundred pounds was sentence  
For his apprehension there  
But Willie and his horse  
To the mountains did repair  
Chorus:

3. When Willie found the packman  
As good a man as he  
He took him along the highway  
His comrade for to be  
The pedlar threw his pack away  
Without any more delay  
Proving Willie's faithful comrade  
Until his dying day  
Chorus:

6. They hid amongst the furze one day  
Was thick upon the hill  
And Willie received nine wounds  
Before that he would yield  
He lost his foremost finger,  
It was shot off by a ball,  
And Willie and his comrade  
Was taken after all  
Chorus:

4. Young Willie he set down one day  
Upon the king's highway  
He met the mayor of Cashel  
About a mile and half from town  
The mayor he knowed his features,  
He said "Young man" to him  
"If your name is Willie Brandon  
You must go along with me."  
Chorus:

Source: Danny Brazil at Staverton, 20th October 1977, collected by Gwilym Davies

Notes: The extra lines in Verse 1 repeat the first tune.

The other verses omit part B of the tune

The words, 'rebide', 're-well' (verse 1) and 'recounted' (V.2) and 'repose' (V.5)  
are as sung.