

The Frog He Went A-Courting

The image shows two staves of musical notation in 4/4 time, with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the song, with lyrics: "1. Frog went a court-ing, he did ride mm mm Frog went a court-ing". The second staff continues the melody with lyrics: "he did ride With a sword and a pist-ol by his side mm mm".

1. Frog went a-courting, he did ride, mm, mm
Frog went a-coutring he did ride
With a sword and pistol by his side, mm, mm.
2. He rode into Missus Mousie-s den etc
Saying "Oh, Miss Mouse, are you within?", etc
3. "Yes, kind sir, I sit and spin etc
Lift up the latch and please walk in" etc
4. He took Miss Mouse upon his knee, etc
Saying "Dear Miss Mouse, will you marry me?" etc
5. "Not without Uncle Rat-s consent etc
To marry you at present" etc
6. Uncle Rat he grinned and smiled, etc
To think Miss Mouse would be a bride, etc
7. Uncle Rat he rode to town, etc
To buy his niece a wedding gown, etc
8. "What shall the wedding supper be?" etc
"A slice of bread and a dish of tea", etc
9. This is the end of one, two, three (my story) etc
The Frog and the Rat and the little Mousie, etc.

Source: Sung by Mrs. Bellamy, 3 Albert Street, St. Pauls, Cheltenham.
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