

# The Derby Ram

1. As I was go-ing to Der-by 'Twas on a mar-et day I

saw the fin--est ram Sir That ev-er was fed on hay

Chorus

Fal the ral loo--ral ladd--ie O Whack fal ladd-ie--i--O

2. As I was going to Derby  
'Twas on a market day  
I saw the finest ram, sir  
That was ever fed on hay.
3. This ram was fat behind sir  
This ram was fat before  
And he weighed down seven tons, sir  
And perhaps a little more.
4. This ram had wool on his belly  
Almost touched the ground  
That was sent to Derby  
And sold for a thousand pound
5. This ram had wool on his back, sir  
As high as a man could reach  
A place to fix a pulpit  
For the parson man to preach.
6. This ram had wool on his head, sir  
It almost touched the sky  
It done for the eagles to build in  
For I heard the young ones cry.
7. The butcher that stuck this ram, sir  
Was drowned in the blood  
And fifty more good butchers  
Were swum away in the flood.
8. This ram he had a tail, sir  
Fifty yards and an ell  
And that was sent to Derby  
To ring the market bell
9. This ram had eyes in his head, sir  
He could see for a thousand mile  
And all the folks that passed him  
It made them laugh and smile.

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