

Old Bangum

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Old Bang - um would a - hunt - ing go, Dill - um down, dill - um.

Old Bang - um did a - hunt - ing go, Dill - um down.

Old Bang - um would a - hunt - ing go, his la - dy said nor yes nor no.

Cub - by - key, cud - dle down, quil - ly - quo - quam.

* alternate note: B

- Verses:
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| 2. He rode into the forest gray, Dillum, down, dillum
He rode into the forest gray, Dillum down
He rode into the forest gray,
Just as the rooster crowed for day.
Cubby-key, cuddle-down, quilly-quo-quam. | 8. Old Bangum drew his mighty sword...
The dragon blew his fire and smoke. |
| 3. Down in yon magic castle fair...
You'll find the monster dragon there. | 9. They fought all day till night drew near...
At last the dragon disappeared. |
| 4. He met three friends upon the way...
They gave him armor for the fray. | 10. Old Bangum found the dragon's den...
He saw the bones of a thousand men. |
| 5. "If thou wouldst the dragon see...
Blow the horn, he'll come to thee." | 11. His lady met him at the door...
He swore that he would fight no more. |
| 6. He placed the horn unto his mouth...
And blew a blast both north and south. | |
| 7. The dragon thundered through the brush...
He tore his way through the oak and ash. | |

Background Information

A variant of Child Ballad #18, "Sir Lionel."