

Hunting the Cutty Wren

Lyrics by Les Barker
set to a version of the tune, "Green Bushes"

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Oh where are you go-ing, said Mil-der to Moul-der. Oh where are you go-ing, oh

4 where do you go? I'm off to the for-est, said

5 Moul-der to Mil-der, I'm off to the for-est, all in the deep snow.

1. Oh where are you going, said Milder to Moulder
Where are you going, oh where do you go?
I'm off to the forest, said Moulder to Milder
I'm off to the forest all in the deep snow.
2. Why are you going, says Milder to Moulder
Why are you going with all of these men?
You nosy old bleeder, said Moulder to Milder
You nosy old bleeder, we're hunting the wren.
3. Two dozen hunters? says Milder to Moulder
Yet you never catch one, won't you tell me how?
It's a bloody small target, said Moulder to Milder
It's a bloody small target, you stupid old cow.
4. Then why do you do it, says Milder to Moulder
Why do you do it, says the whiny old voice
I know it sounds silly, said Moulder to Milder
It's an old pagan custom and we have no choice.
5. Would you walk in the forest, says Milder to Moulder
Would you walk in the forest like an old pagan man?
We'll go in my motor, said Moulder to Milder
I've got a Toyota, it's a four-wheel drive van.
6. Where have you been, says Milder to Moulder
Where have you been, won't you tell to me?
Hunting the wren, said Moulder to Milder
Hunting the wren, has your memory gone?
7. Pray have you got one, says Milder to Moulder
Pray have you got one please tell I'm all ears!
Yes, we're enraptured, says Moulder to Milder
It's the first one we've captured for two thousand years.
8. Where did you catch it, said Milder to Moulder
Where did you catch it, oh pray tell to me
We got it at Safeway, said Moulder to Milder
We got it at Safeway for 55 p.

9. It's not very big though, says Milder to Moulder
Won't need much stuffing, I don't see the sense
Of course it's not big though, said Moulder to Milder
It's one of the salient features of wrens.
10. You should have got a chicken, says Milder to Moulder
A chicken or a turkey or maybe a joint
We should have got chicken? said Moulder to Milder
You silly old woman, you're missing the point.
11. So why hunt the wren then? says Milder to Moulder
Why hunt the wren then if it's such a small thing?
It's an old pagan custom, said Moulder to Milder
And hunting the sausage don't have the same ring.
12. Where are you going, says Milder to Moulder
Where are you going says Milder again
Off to the Arundales, said Moulder to Milder
To open a shop called Kentucky Fried Wren.