THE GREEN WEDDING

Cecil I Sharp





When he came to the wedding-hall, they unto him did say:
You are welcome, Sir, you're welcome, Sir, where have you spent the day?
He laughed at them, he scorned at them, and unto them did say:
You may have seen my merry men come riding by this way.

II: To my rally, dally, dido, Rally, dally, day. :

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The Squire he took a glass of wine and filled it to the brim:
Here is health unto the man, said he, the man they call the groom;
Here's health unto the man, said he, who may enjoy his bride—
Though another man may love her too, and take her from his side.

II: To my rally, dally, dido, Rally, dally, day. :

Then up and spoke the farmer's son, an angry man was he:
If it is to fight that you come here, 'tis I'm the man for thee!
It's not to fight that I am here, but friendship for to show;
So let me kiss your bonny bride, and away from thee I'll go.

II: To my rally, dally, dido,

Rally, dally, day. :

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He took her by the waist so small, and by the grass-green sleeve,
And he led her from the wedding-hall, of no one asking leave.
The band did play, the bugles sound, most glorious to be seen,
And all the way to Headingbourne Town went the company dressed in green.

II: To my rally, dally, dido,
Rally, dally, day. :