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A GOOD ONE

THE HISTORY

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HONEST Dame Dumpling  
Lived on a farm ;  
If she could do no good,  
She would do no harm.  
She had cows, pigs, and poultry,  
And sheep in good store,  
And a very kind husband ;  
What could she want more ?





HONEST Dame Dumpling

Could brew and could bake,  
And was famous for making  
An excellent cake.

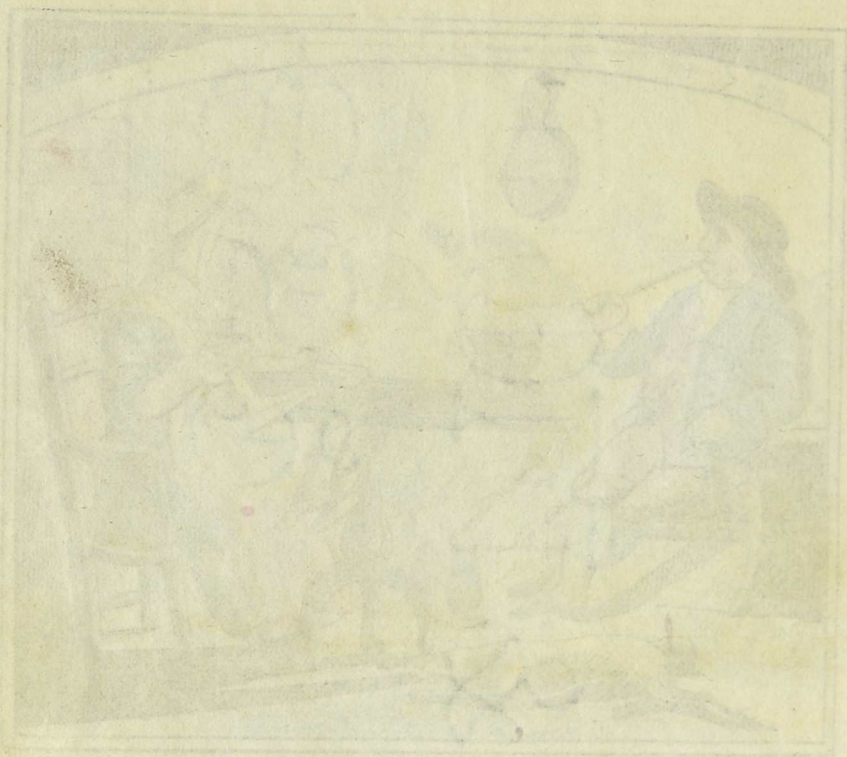
Old Gaffer Dumpling

Would smoke, drink, and smile,  
While Dame Dumpling mended  
Her stockings the while.

The sheep-dog and cat

Would stretch on the floor,  
Enjoying the fire ;

What did they want more ?



Hoxer, Home Dampyng  
 Could brew and could bake,  
 And was famous for making  
 An excellent cake.  
 Old Gaffer Dampyng  
 Would smoke, drink, and smile,  
 While Home Dampyng mended  
 Her stockings the while.  
 The sheep-dog and cat  
 Would stretch on the floor,  
 Enjoying the fire;  
 What did they want more?





"What do you want now?"  
 "For market, you fool."  
 "Dance soon will be ready."  
 "You're too late by half."  
 "Cried Gaffer, "Make haste."  
 "Was cutting some stall."  
 "Wrote red-headed Hopper  
 He straight took his way,  
 And to the stable  
 Arose before day,  
 Old Gaffer Dympling



OLD Gaffer Dumpling  
 Arose before day,  
 And to the stable  
 He straight took his way,  
 Where red-headed Roger  
 Was cutting some chaff;  
 Cried Gaffer, "Make haste,  
 " You're too lazy by half,  
 " Dame soon will be ready  
 " For market, you boor."  
 Cried Hodge, "The steed's saddled;  
 " What do you want more?"





HONEST Dame Dumpling  
 Now call'd up her Maid,  
 And soon, very soon,  
 Was the breakfast-cloth laid :  
 The tea-kettle sang  
 On the fire ; and they fed  
 On pork, brown bread, and tea,  
 By keen appetite led :  
 Farmers love to eat hearty,  
 Still when to give o'er  
 They know well enough ;  
 And what should they do more ?



Hoxter Dame Dunning  
 Now call'd up her maid  
 And soon, very soon,  
 Was the breakfast-table  
 The little kang  
 On the fire; and they fed  
 On pork, brown bread, and tea;  
 By keen appetite fed;  
 Farmers love to eat hearty  
 Still when to give a treat  
 They knew well enough;  
 And what should they do more?







Now good Dame Dumpling,  
 In camlet gown clad,  
 Was muffled up warm  
 By her loving old lad :  
 That done, from the hiping-stock  
 Soon she slid down  
 Between two full panniers,  
 Destined for town ;  
 And there she sat snug,  
 And shook hands at the door  
 With her darling Gaffer ;  
 What should she do more ?





HONEST Dame Dumpling,  
To sell geese and eggs,  
Set off on a horse  
Which went on four legs ;  
(These four legs, some think,  
Were as good as a score),  
Her spouse had just bought him  
For ten pounds or more.



Horner Jane Dangling,

To sell geese and eggs,

Set off on a horse

Which went on four legs;

(These four legs, some think,

Were as good as a seat.)

Her spouse had just bought him

For ten pounds or more.







HONEST Dame Dumpling's  
 New horse, be it known,  
 Cock'd his ears, for at distance  
 A trumpet was blown :  
 He late was a trooper ;  
 So the Dame off he bore  
 To the regiment's muster,  
 Where he 'd been before.





THE geese they did cackle,  
     The asses did bray,  
 As she flew over hedges  
     And ditches away ;  
 The villagers gazed  
     With amazement, and swore  
 The Dame was a Witch,  
     And would ne'er be seen more.









They arrived where the Dragoons  
Were drawn up in line,  
And, oh! how their swords  
And their helmets did shine!  
The horse quickly fell in,  
(He knew his own place),  
And there sat the Dame,—  
What a whimsical case!  
Both privates and officers  
Burst in a roar,  
'Twas ha! ha! ha! ha! ha!  
What do you want more?





Now form'd into squadron  
 They march'd, and the Dame,  
 With her geese and her eggs,  
 Must of course do the same !  
 Did they charge, wheel about,  
 Or advance, or retreat,  
 The steed knew his tactics,  
 The Dame kept her seat,  
 Till she fell in a rage,  
 And her cap off she tore,  
 Which heighten'd the laugh ;  
 But what could she do more ?







And what could she do more  
Wiped the mud from her face;  
The cup she had rose,  
So she rose, and took up  
I think clouds of smoke roll'd  
While over the plain  
His companions so fall'd,  
The cropper rejoin'd  
So she took her a bone,  
It was muddy and soft,  
James Dunbling was thrown  
Soon into a ditch

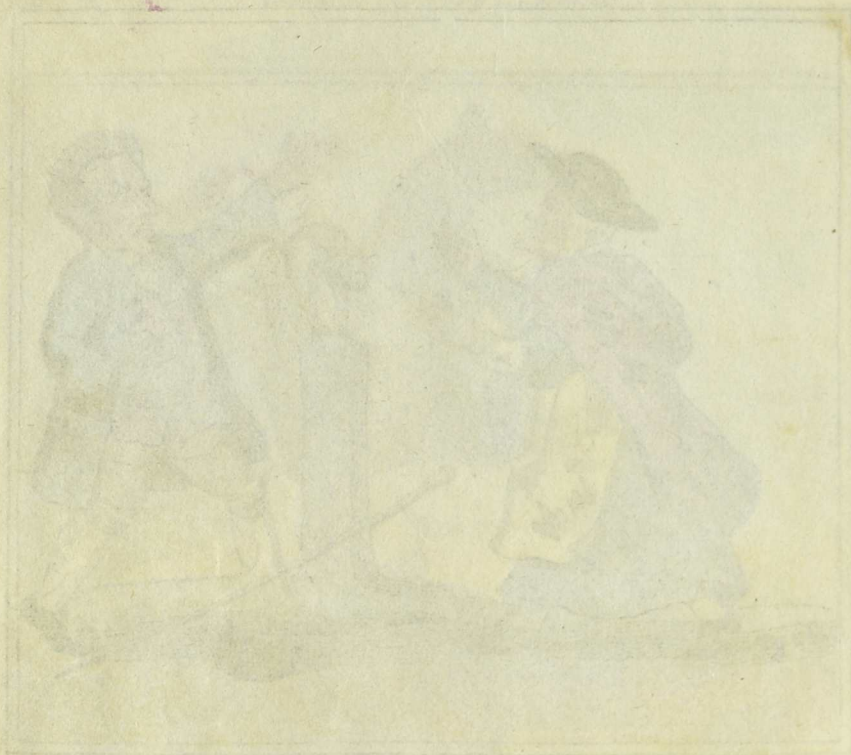


Soon into a ditch  
     Dame Dumpling was thrown ;  
 'Twas muddy and soft,  
     So she broke ne'er a bone :  
 The trooper rejoin'd  
     His companions so bold,  
 While over the plain  
     Thick clouds of smoke roll'd :  
 So she rose, and took up  
     The cap she had tore,  
 Wiped the mud from her face ;—  
     And what could she do more ?





Then homeward she hobbled,  
     John thought 'twas her ghost !  
 And the Cat with amazement  
     Sprang up on a post !  
 So queer she appear'd,  
     Roll'd in mud front and back !—  
 But when once she cried,  
     I am no ghost, alack !  
 The good-man full soon  
     His terrors gave o'er ;—  
 Then she wash'd, drank her tea—  
     And what could she do more ?



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 John thought 'twas her ghost!  
 And the Cat with amazement  
 Sprang up on a post!  
 So queer she appeared,  
 Hobb'd in and front and back,  
 But when once she cried,  
 I am no ghost, alas!  
 The good-man full soon  
 His turtles gave o'er;—  
 Then she wash'd, drank her tea—  
 And what could she do more?







And now she recounted  
     The news of the day—  
 Told how she engaged  
     In the soldiers' sham fray ;  
 And soon you might see,  
     Gaffer Dumpling to grin,  
 And the wattles to shake  
     Of his old double chin,  
 'Till his hearty horse-laugh  
     Would have stunn'd half a score.  
 Ha! ha! ha! ha! ha!  
     Ha! ha! ha! once more!





As thus they sat, thump-i-ty  
 Thump went the door,  
 And in came a couple  
 Of Officers, sure.  
 For the field-day was over,  
 And, missing the Dame,  
 With the horse, to inquire  
 Of her welfare they came.  
 She put on the pleasantest  
 Face she was able,  
 And cider and apples  
 Appear'd on the table.  
 They drank her good health,  
 Which they 'd oft drunk before,  
 And were merry as crickets :  
 What should they be more ?









The neighbours came in,  
 Old and young, girls and boys—  
 For this comic adventure  
 Had made a great noise ;  
 And the Gaffer and Dame,  
 Though they'd lost geese and eggs,  
 Thought 'twas the best way  
 To be merry, i-fegs :  
 So they went for a Fidler,  
 And made up a dance ;  
 The jolly old couple  
 Began first to prance.  
 Each Officer chose  
 For his partner a lass,  
 And the evening did merrily,  
 Merrily pass :  
 They joked good Dame Dumpling ;  
 Their jokes she well bore ;  
 Then home flew the geese,  
 And she wanted no more.



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