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Pleasure, Dennis Smith.
(he says, "that's a short little
fella.")

8 Frank Fidd. Dennis Williams

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29A.

Recorded by Helen Creighton.

August 6. 1943.

Chezzetcook, Nova Scotia, at the singer's home, using convertor and batteries for the first time.

282 Peggy Gordon.

English folk-song.

Singer; Dennis Smith, Chezzetcook; aged 92; retired sea captain.

Oh Peggy Gordon you are my darling,
Come sit you down all on my knee.

There are some beautiful verses in this song, and the tune is beyond words. I think Mr. Smith added a verse or two from his earlier singings, but I can check on that when the duplicates come back. He knows it is my favorite, so he chose it to sing to me first.

Mount A Tape No. 5. Pitched too high but words clear; would do for talk but not for broadcast.

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29B.

Recorded by Helen Creighton.

August 6, 1943.

Chezzetcook, Nova Scotia, at the singer's home, using convertor and batteries.

863 Margaret and John. The Grey Cock, or Margaret and John.

Ballad.

Singer; Dennis Smith, Chezzetcook; aged 92; retired sea captain.

As I rode out one evening the moon it shined clearly
And I heard a fair damsel complain.

I am particularly pleased to have a record of this song, because of the interesting way Mr. Smith sings it. He always makes dramatic pauses at the same places, such as de-tained and up-on and so forth. See Child 248. In spite of his age I think he sang this very well.

Mount A re-recording Tape No. 11. Words clear

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30A.

Recorded by Helen Creighton.

August 6, 1943.

Chezzetcook, Nova Scotia, at the home of Dennis Smith, using convertor and batteries.

264 When the Saints Come Marching In.

Negro hymn.

Singer; John Tynes, colored, Colored Meeting Road; aged 57; retired cook, houseman, gardener, coachman etc.; blind.

When the Saints Come Marching In.

I will have to get the rest of the words some other time. Mr Tynes was with me to carry the equipment, and I had him sing to rest Mr. Smith for the time. He knows some good negro spirituals, so I will get these words from him later on.

30A 2.

Recorded by Helen Creighton.

August 6, 1943.

Chezzetcook, Nova Scotia, at the singer's home using convertor and batteries.

I'll Give My Love and Apple.

Riddle song.

Singer; Dennis Smith; Chezzetcook; aged 92; retired sea captain.

I'll give my love and apple without ^{any} core,
I'll give my love a dwelling without e'er a door.

This is a charming song. Mr. Smith says it is just a little song. I had collected from him for many years before I found that he knew it. I think his singing of it is very interesting.

Mount A re-recording tape No. 3, Lovely song though -
little scratchy. His wife said, "He can't sing that song," and he
asked, "Do you want me to sing the whole of it?" In his first singing
of it he left out the last riddle presumably because of the word
getting which is probably begetting. He is not consistent with words
or music but once he sets up his riddles he keeps to the
sequence.

30B.

Recorded by Helen Creighton.

August 6, 1943.

Chezzetcook, Nova Scotia, at the singer's home, using convertor and batteries.

286 Captain Wedderburn's Courtship.

Ballad.

Singer; Dennis Smith, Chezzetcook; aged 92; retired sea captain.

A duke's fair daughter of Scotland was riding out one day,
Two gentlemen from Ireland by chance did pass that way.

See Child 46. At the end of the song Mr. Smith made a few comments about the priest, so I kept the needle down to get them. He always tells that the suitor could not answer the riddle about the priest, and so failed to get the girl.

Mount A re-recording Tape No. 11, concluded No. 12
quite clear

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31A.

Recorded by Helen Creighton.

August 6, 1943.

Chezzetcook, Nova Scotia, at the singer's home, using convertor and batteries.

287 Lady Isabel and the Elf Knight.

Ballad.

Singer; Dennis Smith, Chezzetcook; aged 92; retired sea captain.

It was of a youth and a well bred youth,
He being a squire's son.

See Child 4. This is a good variant of the ancient ballad. ~~Xmitix~~
You will note that Mr. Smith forgot a verse, so I asked him which one he forgot, and he promptly sang two. While singing the second one he kept adding emphasis to the words by slapping his legs with both hands. He always speaks the last word, but this time he shouted it with such vehemence that I didn't know for a minute what had happened. Not bad for 92.

Mount A re-recording Tape No. 1232 Words clear and
tape not scratchy

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31B.

Recorded by Helen Creighton.

August 6, 1943.

Chezzetcook, Nova Scotia, at the singer's home, using convertor and batteries.

Ye rambling boys of pleasure.

This is the song of a rover; an English folk-song.

Singer; Dennis Smith, Chezzetcook; aged 92; retired sea captain.

Ye rambling boys of pleasure
Give ear unto those few lines I write.

This is a song he had never sung to me before. He was growing tired at this point, and his voice probably shows signs of weariness at the end of the verses where it drops quite low.

Mount A re-recording tape No. 3

Nice song, but tape quite scratchy. Pleasant Tune

Where else have I heard on this song?²

32A.

Recorded by Helen Creighton.

August 7, 1943, at Musquodoboit Harbour, Nova Scotia.

389 Frank Fidd. 2. Last verse of Paddy. See 32B.

Old song.

Singer; Dennis Williams, Musquodoboit Harbour; aged in his sixties probably; owns small country store.

Although it was a busy Saturday afternoon, Mr. Williams closed his store and he and his family took me to the house where he sang, serving his customers between performances.

Frank Fidd was as gallant a tar
As ever handled a sail.

Mount A re-recording Tape No. 3

† vs. slight scratches, but well sung. Words slightly different from an earlier singing. See Mackenzie p. 251