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## John Martyn "Spencer The Rover"

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This tune was composed by Spencer the Rover As valiant a man as ever left home And he had been much reduced Which caused great confusion And that was the reason he started to roam

In Yorkshire near Rotherham, he had been on the ramble

Weary of traveling, he sat down to rest By the foot of yon' mountain Lays a clear flowing fountain With bread and cold water he himself did refresh

With the night fast approaching, to the woods he resorted With woodbine and ivy his bed for to make But he dreamt about sighing

Lamenting and crying

Go home to your family and rambling forsake

'Twas the fifth day of November, I've reason to remember When first he arrived home to his family and friends And they did stand so astounded

To see such a stranger once more in their sight

And his children come around him with their prittle prattling stories

With their prittle prattling stories to drive care away And he's as happy as those

As have thousands of riches

Surprised and dumbfounded

Contented he'll remain and not ramble away

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