A jolly Shoemaker was Hobbs, John Hobbs
A jolly Shoemaker John Hobbs
He married Miss Carter
No lady was smarter
But he caught a tartar
Did Hobbs, John Hobbs
But he caught a tartar, did Hobbs

He took her to market did Hobbs, John Hobbs
He took her to market John Hobbs
She made such a ruction
He threatened destruction
Or sell her by auction
Would Hobbs, John Hobbs
He's sell her by auction, would Hobbs

"Who'll buy a wife?", said Hobbs, John Hobbs
"A very good wife" said Hobbs
But somehow they tell us
These wife dealing fellows
Were most of them sellers, like Hobbs, John Hobbs
They're most of them sellers, like Hobbs

"Bring me a rope" said Hobbs, John Hobbs
"A very strong rope" said Hobbs
I'll not stand to wrangle
Myself I will strangle
He hung dingle dangle did Hobbs, John Hobbs
He hung dingle dangle, did Hobbs

Down his wife cut him, did Hobbs, Jane Hobbs
Down his wife cut him, Jane Hobbs
With a few hubble-bubbles
They settled their troubles
Like most married couples, John Hobbs, Jane Hobbs
Like most married couples, the Hobbs

As I walked out one May morning
To view the fields and the leaves a springing
I saw two maidens standing by
And one of them her hands was ringing
Oh dear oh, oh dear oh
My husband's got no courage in him
Oh dear oh, oh dear oh

All sorts of vitals I did provide
All sorts of meats that's fitting for him

Oyster pie and rhubarb too
But nothing will put courage in him
Oh dear oh, oh dear oh
My husband's got no courage in him
Oh dear oh, oh dear oh

My husband can dance and caper and sing And do anything that's fitting for him But he cannot do the thing I want

Because he has no courage in him Oh dear oh, oh dear oh My husband's got no courage in him Oh dear oh

My husband's admired wherever he goes
And everyone looks well upon him
With his handsome features and well shaped leg
But still he's got no courage in him
Oh dear oh, oh dear oh
My husband's got no courage in him
Oh dear oh

Every night when I goes to bed
I lie and throw my leg right o'er him
And my hand I clap between his thighs
But I can't put any courage in him
Oh dear oh, oh dear oh
My husband's got no courage in him
Oh dear oh

Seven long years I've made his bed
And every night I've lain beside him
But this morning I rose with my maidenhead
For nothing will put courage in him
Oh dear oh, oh dear oh
My husband's got no courage in him
Oh dear oh

I wish my husband he was dead
And in his grave I'd quickly lay him
And then I'd try another one
That's got a bit of courage in him
Oh dear oh, oh dear oh
My husband's got no courage in him
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