

# Molly and Tenbrooks

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Run O Molly run, run O Molly run  
Tenbrooks gonna beat you to the bright shinin' sun  
To the bright shinin' sun O Lord to the bright shinin' sun

Tenbrooks was a big bay horse he wore that shaggy mane  
He run all around Memphis he beat the Memphis train  
Beat the Memphis train O Lord beat the Memphis train

See that train a-comin' it's comin' round the curve  
See old Tenbrooks runnin' he's strainin' every nerve  
Strainin' every nerve O Lord strainin' every nerve

Tenbrooks said to Molly what makes your head so red?  
Runnin' in the hot sun puts fever in my head  
Fever in my head O Lord fever in my head

Molly said to Tenbrooks you're lookin' mighty squirrel  
Tenbrooks said to Molly I'm a-leavin' this old world  
Leavin' this old world O Lord leavin' this old world

Out in California where Molly done as she pleased  
Come back to old Kentucky got beat with all ease  
Beat with all ease O Lord beat with all ease

The women all a-laughin' the child'n all a cryin'  
The men all a-hollerin' old Tenbrooks a-flyin'  
Old Tenbrooks a-flyin' O Lord old Tenbrooks a-flyin'

Kyper Kyper you're not a-ridin' right  
Molly's beatin' old Tenbrooks clear out sight  
Clear out of sight O Lord clear out of sight

Kyper Kyper Kyper my son  
Give old Tenbrooks the bridle let old Tenbrooks run  
Let old Tenbrooks run O Lord let old Tenbrooks run

Go and catch old Tenbrooks and hitch him in the shade  
We're gonna bury old Molly in a coffin ready made  
Coffin ready made O Lord coffin ready made