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THE ZONG OF THE ZUMMERZETSHIRE OWLD GEAMSTER.

I.

"Cham * a Zummerzetshire mun
Coom her to hev a bit o' vun.
Oo'lt + try a bout? I be'ant aveard
Ov any man or mother's zun.

II.

"Cham a geamster owld and tough,
Well knowed droo all the country zide,
And many a lusty Barkshire man
To break my yead hev often tried.

III.

"Who's vor a bout o vriendly plaay,
As never should to anger move?
Zich spwoorts wur only meant vor thaay
As likes their mazzards broke for love."

* "Cham"— "I am," a form still used in parts of Somersetshire.

+ "Oo'lt"—wilt thou.