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***George Ridler's Oven* (1890)**

The Stwons that built George Ridler's Oven,
And thauy keum from the Bleakeney's Quaar,
And George he wur a Jolly old Mon,
And his yead it gawd above his yare.

One thing of George Ridler I must commend,
And that wur vor a notable Theng,
He mend his Braags avoore he died,
Wi any dree Brothers his Zons zhoud zeng.

There's Dick the Treble, and John the Beass--
Let every Mon zing in his auwn Pleace---
And George he war the Elder Brother,
And therevoore he should zing the Tenor.

Mine Hostess's Maid---and her Neaum 'twas Nell---
A pretty Wench, and I lov'd her well;
I lov'd her well, good Reauzon why,
Becase zshe lov'd my Dog and I.

My Dog is good to Catch a Hen;
A Duck or Goose is vood for Men;
And where good Company I spy,
O thether gwoes my Dog and I.

My Mwother told I when I wur young,
If I did vollow the strong Beer Pwoot,
That Drink would pruv my auverdraw,
And meauk me wear a thread bare Cwoat.

My Dog has gotten zitch a trick,
To visit Maids when thauy be zick;
When thauy be zick and like to die,
O thether gwoes my Dog and I.

When I have dree zixpences under my Thumb,
O then I be welcome wherever I come;
But when I have none, O then I pass by,
'Tis Poverty pearts good Company.

If I should die, as it may hap,
My Greauve shall be under ye good yeal Tap;
In voulded Earmes there wool us lie,
Cheek by Jowl my Dog and I.