

# **BRENNAN ON THE MOOR**

IT'S OF A BRAVE YOUNG HIGHWAYMAN THIS STORY I WILL TELL  
HIS NAME WAS WILLIE BRENNAN AND IN IRELAND HE DID DWELL  
'T WAS ON THE KILWORTH MOUNTAINS  
HE COMMENCED HIS WILD CAREER  
AND MANY A WEALTHY NOBLEMAN BEFORE HIM SHOOK WITH FEAR

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BOLD BRAVE AND UNDAUNTED  
WAS YOUNG BRENNAN ON THE MOOR!*

ONE DAY UPON THE MOUNTAINS AS WILLIE HE WENT DOWN  
HE MET THE MAYOR OF CASHEL A MILE OUTSIDE THE TOWN  
THE MAYOR KNEW HIS FEATURES - HE SAID, "YOUNG MAN," SAID HE  
"YOUR NAME IS WILLIE BRENNAN - YOU MUST COME ALONG WITH ME."

NOW BRENNAN'S WIFE HAD GONE TO TOWN, PROVISIONS FOR TO BUY  
AND WHEN SHE SAW HER WILLIE, SHE COMMENCED TO WEEP AND CRY  
HE SAID, "HAND TO ME THAT TENPENNY!" - AS SOON AS WILLIE SPOKE  
SHE HANDED HIM A BLUNDERBUSS FROM UNDERNEATH HER CLOAK.

THEN WITH THIS LOADED BLUNDERBUSS, THE TRUTH I WILL UNFOLD  
HE MADE THE MAYOR TO TREMBLE AND ROBBED HIM OF HIS GOLD  
ONE HUNDRED POUNDS WAS OFFERED FOR HIS APPREHENSION THERE  
SO HE WITH HORSE AND SADDLE TO THE MOUNTAINS DID REPAIR.

NOW WILLIE MET A PACKMAN BY THE NAME OF PEDDLER BAWN  
THEY TRAVELLED ON TOGETHER TILL THE DAY BEGAN TO DAWN  
THE PEDDLER SEEING HIS MONEY GONE, LIKEWISE HIS WATCH AND CHAIN  
HE AT ONCE ENCOUNTERED WILLIE AND HE ROBBED THEM BACK AGAIN!

NOW BRENNAN BEING AN OUTLAW UPON THE MOUNTAINS HIGH  
WITH CAVALRY AND INFANTRY TO TAKE HIM THEY DID TRY  
HE LAUGHED AT THEM WITH SCORN, UNTIL AT LAST 'T WAS SAID  
BY A FALSEHEARTED COMRADE HE WAS CRUELLY BETRAYED

NOW HE WAS TAKEN PRISONER AS SOON AS HE WAS FOUND  
AND DOWN IN CLONMEL'S DIRTY JAIL IN IRONS HE WAS BOUND  
WHEN THE JURY FOUND HIM GUILTY, THE JUDGE MADE THIS REPLY:  
"FOR ROBBING ON THE KING'S HIGHWAY NOW BRENNAN YOU MUST DIE!"