

# Young Collin cleaving of a beam

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[1.] Young Col - - lin cleav - ing of a Beam, at  
[2.] Plump Joan when at night to Bed they came, and  
[3.] he laugh - - ing an - swer'd, no, no, no, some  
ev' - ry thump - ing, thump - ing blow cried Hem! and  
both were play - - - - ing at the same, cry'd  
work will split, will split with half a blow; be -  
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told his Wife, and told his Wife, and told his Wife who the cause wou'd  
Hem! Hem! Hem! pre-thee, pre-thee, pre-thee Col-lin  
-side now I bore, now I bore, now I bore, now, now, now I  
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know, that Hem! made the wedge much far - ther go.  
do, if ev - er thou Love'dst me, Dear, Hem now;  
bore, I Hem when I cleave, but now I bore.