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"There was an old woman from Dublin,
In Dublin she did dwell,
She loved her husband with all her heart
But another man twice as well."

Cho: "Sing dree-I-dree-I-dree,
sing dree-I-dree-I dree."

She went to the doctor,
To see if she could find,
Some remedy or another
That would make the old man blind.

She took it home and gave it to him
And made him take it all.
Said he "my dearest darling wife,
I can't see you at all.

"I'd go to the river and drown myself
If I thought I could find the way."
Said she I'll go along with you
For fear you go astray.

She stepped back a step or two
To shove the old man in,
he stepped over to one side
And headfirst she went in.

The old man being tenderhearted
And afraid that she might swim,
he gathered himself up a ten foot pole
and pushed her deeper in.

This version from rural Oklahoma from "Uncle Tom Barker" who came there from
northern Kentucky in 1870-80.

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