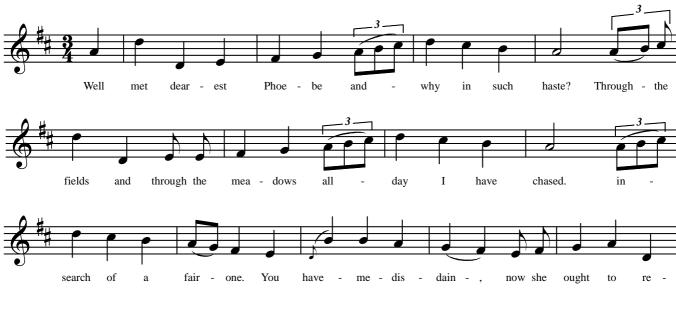
Phoebe - Mr Jay





1

Well met dearest Phoebe and why in such haste? Through the fields and through the meadows all day I have chased in search of a fair one. You have me disdain, now she ought to reward me; now she ought to reward me for all my past pain.

2

'Stay, stay, boldest Colin, how dare you be seen with a virgin like me that is scarcely sixteen? To be seen alone with a man I'm afraid, for the world will soon call me; for the world will soon call me no longer a maid.'

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3

'Never mind what the world say, it will all prove a lie; we are not alone love, here's a cottage close by.

Let them judge of our actions and be you cheerful my dear, for no harm is intended; for no harm is intended to my Phoebe, I swear.'

4

'Stay, stay, boldest Colin, a few moments stay. for I will venture to wed, love, if you mean what you say. Let tomorrow first come, love, and in the church you will find, oh the girl you thought cruel; oh the girl you thought cruel will always prove kind.