

# The Bogle Bo, "Double-Dip" version

Tune: *Bonnie Ship the Diamond*; verses edited for scansion and refrain added. ©2011 DZ

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When †I was in my †prenticeship  
and a †learning of my †trade,  
I †courted my master's †daughter,  
which †made my heart right †glad.  
I †courted her both †summer's days  
and †winter nights al†so  
But I †never could her †favor win  
till I †hired the Bogle †Bo.

refrain:

**Now, it's wise up, my lad, she knows more than she tells  
For the double-dippin' Bogle Bo is in her pay as well.**

Day †being gone, and †night coming on,  
my †neighbor he took a †sheet  
And †straight into her †room he went  
just †like a wandering †spreet.  
†She went running †up and down,  
not †knowing where to †go  
But †right into my †bed she went  
for †fear of the Bogle †Bo.

***[refrain & break]***

And †so my dearest †love and me,  
 we †both fell fast a†sleep,  
 But †ere the morn at †fair daylight,  
 sore, †sorely did she †weep  
 The †tears went flying †wall to wall  
 so †sorely did she †mourn  
 But †ere she rose and †donned her clothes,  
 the †Bogle Bo was †gone.

**[refrain & break]**

You've †done the thing to †me last night,  
 the †thing you cannot †shun  
 You've †ta'en from me my †maidenhead,  
 and †I am quite un†done.  
 You've †ta'en from me my †maidenhead,  
 and †brought my body †low.  
 But †if, kind sir, you'll †marry me,  
 why, †I will be your †jo.

**[refrain & break]**

Now he's †married her and †ta'en her hame,  
 and †it was but his †part  
 She's †proved to him a †loving wife,  
 and †joy of all his †heart;  
 He †never told her †of the joke,  
 nor †ne'er intends to †do  
 But †aye when his wife, *she* †smiles on him,  
 he †minds the Bogle †Bo.

**[refrain 2x; last time vamp 2 measures:**

**"...Bogle Bo † ' † ' † ' is † in her pay as well"]**

note: Foggy Dew variant; Collected by John Bell (1783- ??); printed in Lloyd's Folk Song in England. Lloyd suggests that the mysterious "foggy dew" of later versions is a corruption of this one: in any case, it makes for a reasonable explanation, and this version tells a good story. Lloyd doesn't give a tune, but it fits nicely to the "Banks and Braes" version of Foggy Dew." Words in parentheses were inserted by RG to attempt scansion. RG

"Spreet" restored for "spirit" from recollection of earlier research.  
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