

Sam Hall

Oh, me name it is Sam Hall
 Chimney sweep, chimney sweep
 Oh, me name it is Sam Hall
 Chimney sweep
 Oh, me name it is Sam Hall
 And I've robbed both great and small
 And me neck will pay for all
 When I die, when I die
 And me neck will pay for all
 When I die

I have twenty pounds in store
 That's not all, that's not all
 I have twenty pounds in store
 That's not all
 I have twenty pounds in store
 And I'd rob for twenty more
 For the rich must help the poor
 So must I, so must I
 For the rich must help the poor
 So must I

Oh, they took me to Coothill
 In a cart, in a cart
 Oh, they took me to Coothill
 In a cart
 Oh, they took me to Coothill
 Where I stopped to make my will
 For the best of friends must part
 So must I, so must I
 For the best of friends must part
 So must I

Up the ladder I did grope
 That's no joke, that's no joke
 Up the ladder I did grope
 That's no joke
 Up the ladder I did grope
 And the hangman pulled the rope
 But ne'ar a word I spoke
 Tumbling down, tumbling down
 But ne'ar a word I spoke
 Tumbling down

Repeat first verse

I	-	IV	-
I	-	V	-
I	-	IV	-
I	IV	I	-
IV	-	IV	-
I	-	V	-
I	-	IV	-
I	-	V	-
I	-	IV	-
I	IV	I	-

"Sam Hall" is an old English folk song about a bitterly unrepentant criminal condemned to death (Roud #369). Prior to the mid-19th century it was called "Jack Hall", after an infamous English thief, who was hanged in 1707 at Tyburn. Jack Hall's parents sold him as a climbing boy for one guinea, which is why most versions of the song identify Sam or Jack Hall as a chimney sweep.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sam_Hall_%28song%29