

# Trura Ager-i-cultral Shaw

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Cornish Dialect and Folk Songs p22

Good peo - ple oll oo eer me voys, You  
 now av rea - son t' re - joice. Fer off t' Tru - ra  
 you may goa T' see tha A - ger - i - cul - tral shaw.  
 But doan ee goa kes - sen tha maeds you knaw At tha  
 Tru - ra A - ger - i - cul - tral shaw!

Good people oll oo ear me voys,  
 You now av reason t' rejoice.  
 Fer off t' Trura you may goa  
 T' see tha Ager-i-cultral shaw.  
*But doan ee goa kessen tha maeds you knaw  
 At tha Trura Ager-i-cultral shaw!*

A maazlen pare you will see their:  
 Fat fermers an ther wives soa reer,  
 Their bouncen daughters net an clean  
 With a pork-py at an a crinoline Soa ...

Frum Newlyn East an Sen Colum too,  
 Theers's hump-backed Jim an carryoty Joe,  
 An a speeshel traen upon tha rail  
 T' bring all tha thieves from Bodmint jail.

They've got a band frum Plumuth down  
 Tha bettermoast ever woz en town,  
 An oll tha gintry will be their.  
 Tes moast as purdee as Whitsun feer!

Ther's osses, ponus, cows an caavs  
 fer Trura doan't do things be aavs.  
 Ther be Debm bulls, sheep, pigs an gees.  
 You geek at un oll fer a shillen a pees.

I'm glad yer cum, I see ee eer,  
 Thers thowsans cum frum evreebeer.  
 Rech an poor an igh an law,  
 at Trura Ager-i-cultral shaw!  
*But doan ee goa kessen tha maeds you knaw  
 At tha Trura Ager-i-cultral shaw!*

The Bath and West of England Show visited Cornwall in 1861. The Royal Cornwall Show was merged with it and the combined event held at Truro. This song has become the signature tune of Moe Keast who delivers it in broad Dialect. Here an attempt has been made to reflect this Dialect including one or two changes in vocabulary. Five of the eight verses to be found in Cornish Dialect and Folk Songs are given.

Dialect substitutions: maeds for girls, pare for group, maazlen for motley,  
 bettermost for the best, purdee for pretty, geek for see