Sally’s in the Garden

As sung by
Pearl Jacobs Borusky
08-30-1940 Antigo, WI

Sally in the garden, sifting, sifting,
Sally in the garden, sifting sand.
Sally in the garden, sifting, sifting,
Sue’s upstairs with the hog-eyed man.

Transcription from the Helene Stratman-Thomas Collection; lyrics from Treat.

Critical Commentary

Transcription by Treat, no. 53, and HST

Editor’s notes:
Treat transcribed Ms. Borusky’s mother singing this song, and writes that she whistled the second half. He also notes that Hogeye is a rural area in Arkansas (Treat 49).

Alternate titles: “Hog-Eyed Man”

Sources:
Titon, Jeff Todd. Old-time Kentucky Fiddle Tunes. Lexington, Ky.: University Press of Kentucky, c2001. slightly similar

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