

William Francis, noble lord
His fortune built on sweat and sword
Built an empire tall as a hill
But he don't have fun and he never will
My, my

Sees the world so far below
And though he tries, he'll never know
Friends to greet the breaking of day
And love to pass the night away
My, my

William Francis high and dry
With his paradise denied
My, my

William Francis, lost, alone
A thousand ifs and a heart of stone
He measures his life in gain and cost
But he'll never add up the world he lost
My, my

William Francis high and dry
With his paradise denied
My, my

William Francis, master of all
But none to catch him when he falls
He works us long and he works us hard
But we'll dance all the way to the knacker's yard
My, my

William Francis high and dry
With his paradise denied
My, my