

**Title:**

Sutton on the Hill, Derbyshire

**Shelfmark:**

C908/51

**Description:**

William talks about various jobs he has done, including hedging, ditching, laying drains and thatching. The original recording appears to have been interrupted on one occasion. Vernon's Hook is, presumably, a local landmark and Barton Hall is an estate just to the west of Sutton on the Hill.

**Lexis:**

*road* = way; *somewhat* = something; *tother* = the other; *pleach* = to plash a hedge, (interlace or intertwine stems and branches of young trees and brushwood to fill in gaps at bottom of hedge); *thack* = to thatch; *aye* = yes; *sough* = to drain wet land, drainage channel; *afore* = before

**Phonology:**

H-dropping; *to* + infinitive / place-name → [ʔ] (*you want to leave [wQn? li:v] a bit ditch; halfway from here to Barton Hall [I@ ? ba:t=n O:l]; I used to be [j<sup>U</sup>u:s?bI] with horses*)

PRICE [A:]; MOUTH [{}:]; GOOSE [<sup>U</sup>u: ~ IU]; START [a: > A:]; STRUT [U]

<-ook> → [<sup>U</sup>u:k ~ IUk]

note also *don't* [dUn@], *bad ones* [bad@nz] and *good ones* [gUd@nz], *make* [mak], *one* [wQn], *because* [bIkOs], *first* [f@st], *a-going* [@gwen], *ago* [@gU], *with* [wI] and *catch* [kEtS]

**Grammar:**

zero of (*you want to leave a bit \_ ditch for to be cleaned out*)

for *to* + infinitive (*you want to leave a bit ditch for to be [f@? bI] cleaned out*)

<a + -ing> (*about a-going halfway from here to Barton Hall*)

non-standard <-en> verbal infinitive (*then you'll stoppen and dig down*)

note use and phonetic quality of discourse markers *like* [lA:k] and *see!* [sEI]