

11 Bold Young Sailor - Mr Anderson

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A bold young sailor courted me and stole away my liberty. He stole my heart with my free good will; I must confess I love him still.

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There is an ale-house in yonder town where my love goes and sits him down and takes a strange lass on his knee. Ah! is not that a grief to me?

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A grief to me, I'll tell you why, because she has more gold than I. Her gold will waste, her beauty blast; poor girl, she'll come like me at last.

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Oh once I had no cause for woe, my love followed me through frost and snow. But, ah, the changes time doth bring; my love passes by and says nothing. 5

I wish my baby it was born; sat smiling on its nurse's knee, and I myself was in my grave, and the green grass growing over me.

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I wish, I wish, but it's all in vain; I wish I were but a maid again. A maid again I'll never be 'til apples grow on an orange tree.

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There is a bird on yonder tree; they say it's blind and cannot see. I wish it had been the same with me before I joined his company.