

## **Bob Dylan**

### **"Jack-A-Roe"**

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Oh, there was a wealthy merchant, in London he did dwell

He had a lovely daughter, the truth to you I'll tell  
Oh, the truth to you I'll tell.

She had sweethearts a-plenty and men of high degree  
There was none but Jackie Frazier, her true love e'er to be

Oh, her true lover e'er to be.

"Oh daughter, oh daughter your body I will confine  
If none but Jack the sailor, would ever suit your mind  
Oh, would ever suit your mind."

"This body you may imprison, my heart you can't  
confine  
There's none but Jack the Sailor would have this heart  
of mine  
Oh, would have this heart of mine."

Now Jackie's gone a-sailing with trouble on his mind  
To leave his native country and his darling girl behind  
Oh, his darling girl behind.

She went into the tailor shop and dressed in men's  
array  
Then she went into a vessel to convey herself away  
Oh, convey herself away.

"Before you step on board, sir, your name I'd like to  
know"

She smiled all in her countenance, said, "They call me  
Jack-A-Roe"  
Oh, they call me Jack-A-Roe.

"Your waist is light and slender, your fingers neat and  
small  
Your cheeks too red and rosy for to face the  
cannonball"  
Oh, to face the cannonball.

"I know my waist is slender and my fingers they are  
small  
But it would not make me tremble for to see ten  
thousand fall"  
Oh, to see ten thousand fall.

The war soon being over, they hunted all around  
Among the dead and dying her darling love she found  
Oh, her darling love she found.  
She picked him up all in her arms and carried him to  
town  
And sent for her physician to quickly heal his wounds  
Oh, to quickly heal his wounds.

This couple, they got married, so well they did agree  
This couple they got married, so why not you and me  
Oh, so why not you and me ?

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