

Great Big Sea "The Jolly Butcher"

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[Chorus:]

Oh won't you come along with me love
Come along with me!
Come for one night and be my wife
And come along with me

Well it is of the jolly butcher as you might plainly see
As he roved out one morning in search of company
He went into a tavern and a fair girl he did see
Ah come for one night, be my wife, oh come along with
me

He called for liquor of the best
And he makes such fortune play
Come have a drink, it will make us think
That it is our wedding day

[Chorus]

Well he called for a candle to light their way to bed
And when he had her in the room these words to her he
said,
"A sovereign I will give to you, for to embrace your
charms
And all that night, that fair young maid, lied in the
butchers' arms

[Chorus]

Oh, Early the next morning be sure it went his way

He looked unto that fair young maid and unto her did
say,
"That sovereign that I gave to you, do not think me
strange,
Well that sovereign that I gave to you will you give me
back me change!"

[Chorus]

Well about a 12 months later he roved out once more

And he went into the tavern where he'd often been
before
He wasn't in there very long when his fair maid he did
see
And she brought forth a baby three months old and
placed it on his knee

When he saw the baby, he began to curse and swear
And he said unto that fair young maid, "Why did you
bring him here?!"
"Well he is your own, kind sir", she said, "Do not think
me strange,
Well that sovereign that you gave to me, I gives you
back your change!!"

[Chorus 2x]

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