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"Swing Low"

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I met her at the mission, Living just this side of sin. Her mouth was soft and when she spoke, Lord, I fell right in. She had a baby in a blanket, A dollar and a half. She looked a little leery, She let out a little laugh. Opened up my overcoat, Invited them inside. Two fragile little flowers, With nowhere left to hide. She said her old man left her, lust before the baby came. I could feel the tears well up inside, Each time she spoke his name. Swing low, swing low, Sweet angel face. Why would such a simple child, Come to such a place? We talked until the wind died down, The baby woke and stirred. She made a little hushing sound, Spoke some magic word. The baby yawned and smiled at me, But she said: "We can't stay." She thanked me for my kindness, Turned and walked away. Swing low, swing low, Sweet angel face. Why would such a simple child, Come to such a place? I think about them all the time, And hope they found their home. Seems that it's my calling now, To walk these streets alone. Sometimes when the wind is right, I can smell her sweet perfume. I think about the warm embrace. That ended all too soon. Swing low, swing low,

Sweet angel face. Why would such a simple child, Come to such a place? Oh, oh, oh, why would such a simple child, Come to such a place?

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