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The Corries "I Once Loved"

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I once loved a lass I loved her sae weel I hated all others who spoke of her ill But now she's rewarded me well for my love For she's gone to be wed to another

I saw my love to the church go With bridesgroom and bridesmaidens they made a fine show And I followed on with my heart full of woe She was gone to be wed to another

I saw my love sit down to dine As I sat down beside her I poured out the wine I drank to the lassie that should have been mine Even though she'd been wed to another The men o' the forest They ask it o' me How many strawberries grow in the south sea? I answer them a' with a tear in my ee' How many ships sail in the forest

Dig me a grave Dig it sae deep And cover me over wi' flo'ers sae sweet And I will lay down and tak' a long sleep And maybe in time I'll forget her

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