The Decemberists "Annan Water"

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Annan water
You loom so deep and wide
I would cross over
If you would stem the tide
Build a boat
That I might ford the other side
To reach the farther shore
Where my true love lies in wait for me
In wait for me
In wait for me
In wait for me

Oh, gray river
Your waters ramble wide
The horses shiver
And bite against the bridle
But I will cross
If mine own horse is pulled from me
Though my mother cries that if I try
I sure will drowned be
Will drowned be
Will drowned be
Will drowned be

But if you calm
And let me pass
You may render me a wreck
When I come back
So calm your waves
And slow the churn
And you may have my precious bones on my return

Annan water
Oh hear my true love's call
Hear her holler
Above your water's pall
God, that I could
That my two arms could give me wing
And I would cross your breath
And rest my breast about her amber ring

Her amber ring Her amber ring

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