

Unknown "Chinee Bumboatman"

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THE CHINEE BUMBOATMAN

I'll sing ye a story o' trouble an' woe,

That'll cause ye to shudder and shiver,

Concernin' a Chinese bumboat man that sailed the Yangtze river.

He wuz a heathen o' high degree, as the joss-house records show,

His family name was wing chang loo,

But the sailors all called him jim crow-ee-eye-oh-ee-eye!

Hitch-y-kum, kitch-y-kum, yah, yah, yah Sailormen no likee me No savy the story of Wing Chang Loo Too much of the bob-er-eye-ee, kye-eye

Now Wing Chang Loo he fell in love, with a gal called Ah Chu Fong,

She 'ad two eyes like pumpkin seeds, an' slippers two inches long,

Rut ah Chu Fong loved a pirate bold with all her heart an' liver.

He wuz the capitan of a double-decked junk,

An' he sailed the Yangtze river-eye-iver-eye!

When wing Chang Loo he heard o' this, he swore an' 'orrible oath:

Rif Ah Chu marries that pirate bold, I 'll make sausage meat o' them both!S

So he hoi sted his blood-red battle flag, put into the Yangtze river,

He steered her east an' south an' west,

Till that pirate he did diskiver-eye-iver-eye!

The drums they beat to quarters an' the cannons did loudly roar,

The red 'ot dumplin 's flew like lead, an' the scuppers they ran with gore.

The pirate paced the quarterdeck with never a shake nor a shiver,

He wuz shot in the stern wid' a hard-boiled egg,

That penetrated his liver-eye-iver-eye!

The dyin' pirate feebly cried, "We'll give the foe more shot,

If I can't marry Ah Chu Fong, then Wing Chang loo shall not!"

When a pease-pudden 'ot hit the bumboat's side, it caused a 'orrible scene, It upset a pot of 'ot bow-wow soup,

An' exploded the magaye-eenee-ayeeenee!

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