

Berlin Irving

"Colored Romeo"

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[1st verse:]

Last winter Liza Snow
Picked up a book called Romeo
She read a page or so
Then hunted for a man
Soon she was dreaming of
A beau who cooed just like a dove
A man who sho' could love
Like a Romeo can
She wandered out one night
Beneath the pale moonlight
And sang with all her might
This ancient cry

[chorus:]

Where art thou, Romeo
My colored Romeo
The balcony wants to see he and she, you and me
Come out and pet your colored Juliet
Don't linger, do it now
Come kiss my fevered brow
Shakespear's love come and show me, colored Romeo

[2nd verse:]

Miss Liza's father Joe
Did not approve of Romeo
But Liza loved him so
They ran off in a car
They made a mile or three
In almost nothing, don't you see
The auto struck a tree
Then they didn't go far
Miss Liza from the ground
Kept gazing all around
Her beau could not be found
So Liza cried

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