

## Seed

### "Grey Cock"

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GREY COCK

Johnny he promised to marry me  
I fear he's with some fair one and gone  
There's something that ails him and I don't know what it  
is  
But I'm weary of lying alone  
Johnny he came at the appointed hour  
Knocked on her window so slow  
This young girl arose and hurried on her clothes  
And she bid her true love welcome home  
She took him by the hand and she laid him down  
Found he was as cold as the clay  
She said, my dearest dear, if only I had my wish  
This long night would never turn to day  
Where is your soft bed of down, my dear?  
Where are your white holland sheets?  
And where is the fair girl who watches over you  
As you lie every night in your sleep?  
The sea is my soft bed of down, he said  
Sand be my white holland sheet  
The little hungry fishes they do feed off me  
As I lie every night in the deep  
Then oh my little cock, my handsome little cock,  
Don't crow till tis long after day  
Your cage will be of the purest beaten gold  
And your door of the sweet ivory  
But him a being young, he crowed so very soon  
Crowed three long hours before day  
This young man arose and he hurried on his clothes  
Farewell love, for I must go away  
When will you come back again, my love  
When will you come back again?  
When little fishes fly and the seas they do run dry  
And the hard rocks do melt in the sun

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