

Undertones

"Willie Taylor"

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Willie Taylor and his youthful lover,
Full of mirth and loyalty,
They were going to the church to be married,
He was pressed and sent on sea.
Dolly dilly dum dilly dum dum day
She dressed herself up like a sailor
On her breast she wore a star
Her lovely fingers long and slender
She gave them all just a smear of tar.
Dolly?
On the ship there being a skirmish
She was one amongst the rest
A silver button flew off her jacket
There appeared her snow-white breast.
Dolly?
Said the captain to this fair maid
What misfortune has took you here
I'm in search of my true lover,
Who you pressed on the other year.
Dolly?
If you're in search of your true lover

Tell me what might be his name

Willie Taylor's what they call him,

But Fitzgerald is his name.

Dolly?

If you'll get up tomorrow morning

Early as the break of day

There you'll spy your Willie Taylor

Walking along with a lady gay.

Dolly?

So she got up the very next morning

Early as the break of day

And there she spied her Willie Taylor

Walking along with a lady gay.

Dolly?

So she pulled out a brace of pistols

That she had at her command

And there she shot her Willie Taylor

With his bride at his right hand.

Dolly?

When the captain came to hear

Of the deed that she had done

He made her a ship's commander

Over a vessel for the Isle of Man.

Dolly?

