

Margo Hennebach

"As I Roved Out"

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When I lived in London, I used to love singing this on
my way home from the Blackhorse Road Tube stop

As I roved out on a May morning
On a May morning so early
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T'was then I spied a fair young maid
And the sun was shining clearly wid me
Too ray al, fal the diddle dah,
Die re fal, the diddle darry oh

And who are you me pretty fair maid
And who are you me honey
She answered me quite modestly
I am me mother's darling wid me...
Will ye come to me house in the middle of the night

When the moon is shining clearly
I'll open the door and I'll let you in
And divil a one shall hear us wid me...

So I came to her house in the middle of the night
When the moon was shining clearly
She opened the door and she let me in
And divil a one did hear us wid me...

She took me horse by the bridle and the bit
And she led him to the stable
Saying there's plenty of oats for a soldier's horse
To eat them if he's able wid me...

She took me by the lily white hand
And she led me to the table
Saying there's plenty of wine for a soldier boy
To drink it if he's able wid me...

Then I got up and I made the bed
And I made it nice and aisy
And I picked her up and I laid her down
Saying, lassie, are ye able wid me...

And there we lay till the break of day
And divil a one did hear us
Then I got up and put on me clothes
Saying lassie I must leave you wid me...

And when will you return again
And when will we get married
When broken shells make Christmas bells
Then we might well get married wid me...

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