

I Haven't For A Long Time Now - song lyrics

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I love the songs I used to sing
Beside my mother's knee,
Of Greenland's icy mountains,
My country it is of thee.
And often e'er I'd go to sleep
I'd kiss my mother's brow;
But I haven't, haven't,
I haven't for a long time now

I used to have a sweetheart once.
A precious little pearl:
Indeed she was, she really was
A very charming girl;
I Bang outside her door each night,
Till her father bought a big bow wow;
But I haven't, haven't,
I haven't for a long time now.

There is a household duty which
All married men admire;
That's on cold Winter mornings to
Get out of bed and build the fire.
My wifey and to tend to that
Like a darling little frou;
But she hasn't, hasn't,
She hasn't for a long time now.

Give to me good cold water.
Fill the glass up to the brim;
For water is a glorious thing
Whene'er a fellow wants to swim.
Often it has quenched my thirst
Ere trouble seared my brow;
But it hasn't, hasn't,
Hasn't for a long time now.

I used to wear a diamond pin,
And a lovely pair of studs,
With little pearls and rubies in
A form of owning buds.
I also had a watch and chain,
'Twos eighteen carat I vow;
But I haven't, haven't,
I haven't for a long time now

Oh, faro is a pleasing game.
It catches young and old;
But lately, twixt the game and me.
The weather has been awful cold.
I've often tried to call the turn,
When I fancied I knew how;
But I haven't, haven't,
Haven't for a long time now.