

For Her Sake He Dare Not Return - song lyrics

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Two lovers were parting in bitterest sorrow,
For wealth came between and stole his promised bride;
And sadly they thought, on the forth coming morrow,
That she would forever be torn from his side.
She whispered, "My darling, I'll love you forever-
No! not do not leave me; stay, love-with me stay! "
But honor forbade it-he kissed her once madly.
"Farewell, sweet," he said, and then sailed far away.

Chorus.

And he fain would return to his old village home-
For the land that he loves he doth yearn.
Though he'd give all the world for a touch of her hand,
For her sake he dare not return.

She sent him a letter across the wild ocean,
And of her forced marriage it plaintively told;
She w rote of her anguish and insults she suffered
Through weddin' a man for the sake of his gold;
And for her first lover her heart was still yearning;
She hoped that in his heart she still held first place;
That she would assign all her hopes of the future
To gaze once again in his true, honest face.-Chorus.

His bosom was filled with the wildest emotion,
But pure was his spirit and noble his heart,
Although she had sent him a sweet, tempting message,
Which said, "Come and fetch me-from him I must part."
"I must go," he cried, then the strong voice of conscience said,
"Never dishonored must be her good name."
So further from home and his kindred he wandered,
To save a poor woman from sorrow and shame.- Chorus.