

Nancy, My Jewel - song lyrics

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Nancy, my jewel, my love and my dove,
You're the girl of my choice and the one that I love,
I always shall love you, I really believe,
Then why should you slight me your parents to please.

I know I am poor, love, and held in disdain,
But to work for my living I ne'er felt ashamed,
Or was never so poor, love, but had I a friend.
So if you'll go with me, pray give me your hand.

"Were it not for my parents I would give you my hand,
And the day of our marriage by your side would stand,
For I always shall love you as dear as my life.
And wish it were ordered I could be your wife.

Fare you well, lovely Nancy, I bid you adieu,
To morrow I leave you in sorrow and woe,
I am bound for my captain, am forced to go-
Won't you let me go with you? Oh, no, my love, no.

I will go to your waplain, fall down on my knees.
Ton thousand bright guineas shall secure your release,
And when I have done this, for I love you, you know,
Won't you let me go with you? Oh, no, my love, no.

My hair I'll cut off, in men's clothes will stand,
Enlist under your captain same as any young man,
And when I've done this, for I love you. you know,
Won't you let me go with you? Oh, no, my love, no.

What a hard hearted lover-you know full well
The love I have for you no tongue can tell,
And every day, love, wherever you go,
You will wish I were with you, you need not say no.