

# Take Back The Heart - song lyrics

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Take back the heart that thou gavest, what is my anguish to thee?  
Take back the freedom thou cravest, leaving the fetters to me.  
Take back the vows thou hast spoken, fling them aside and be free  
Smile o'er each pitiful token, leaving the sorrow for me.  
Drink deep of life's fond illusion, gaze on the storm-cloud, and flee  
Swiftly, thro' life and confusion, leaving the burden to me.

Then when at last overtaken, time flings its fetters o'er thee,  
Come, with a trust still unshaken, come back a captive to me.  
Come back in sadness or sorrow, once more my darling to be,  
Come as of old, love, to borrow glimpses of sunlight from me.  
Love shall resume her dominion, striving no more to be free  
When on her world-weary pinion, flies back my lost love to me.