

Whose Heart Is Your Heart - song lyrics

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Two school children playing one fine summer's day,
Not knowing of sorrow or cure,
Proposed in a childish and odd, foolish way,
That each other's troubles they would share.
Up spoke the boy, his heart filled with joy:
Sweet Nellie, come tell me, I say-
I've a feeling in here, something quite queer;
If I ask, will you answer me, I pray:

Chorus.

Whose heart is your heart? I claim it to-day;
I ask for it, sweetheart, now do not say nay;
To guide you from all harm to God I will pray,
And teach you to love only me.

'Tis five years ago since I asked for your hand,
And a happy, sweet home it brought me;
It brought us sweet joy when our first babe was born,
Nothing brighter on earth could there be.
When baby could toddle a coldness for me,
A change that I could scarcely see,
Her love went away, and I'd watch day by day
For the old love to come back to me.

Chorus.

Now whose heart is your heart? I claim'd it one day;
I asked for it then, and you did not Buy nay;
You gave it to me, love, don't take it away,
I'll teach you to love me again.

She left our bright home one day in May,
Though faithful to her did I stand:
A friend whom I thought the dearest on earth,
One whom I thought true and grand,
Hud taken my place in her young childish heart.
Her false fancy led her astray,
And when she returned, with her babe on her breast,
I spoke to her gently, and I said:

Chorus.

"My heart's not your heart, you cast It away:
You broke all the vows of that once sacred day;
You're beyond all redemption, no more can I say:
Whose heart is your heart? I claimed it one day."