You May Return To Me - song lyrics

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A mother wept the day before her daughter was to wed; She gazed upon the bridal robes And anxiously she said: "To-morrow you'll be gone from me, but ere you go away I pray you to remember well the parting words I say:

Refrain.

"You may return to me: whate'er your lot may be, Where'er you roam, you'll know at home a welcome waits for thee. Love's vowe, however free, are naught but mystery; So, rich or poor, my girl, be sure you may return to me.

"The vows that lovers make before the wedding often change; That, happened in your father's case, tho' you may think It strange; He fled from me with a fairer face soon after you were born. And that is why I think it right my only child to warn "-Refrain.