I'll Never Be The Same, Dear - song lyrics

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They had been sweethearts in childhood, Jack and little Mame; And as he grew to manhood, his love remained the same. He struggled hard to earn their home, 'till one fatal summer's day, She told him another had won her, and this was all that Jack could say:

Chorus.

I'll never be the same, dear, your words have broken my heart; [part; I've loved you since childhood, Mame dear & now you say that we must That gold cannot purchase all gladness, perhaps you'll learn some day; I wish you a life free from sadness, tho' you've blighted mine for aye.

Mame married the man she had chosen, poor Jack left that day; While she became a great lady, he fell by the way. I Altho' she lived in luxury, she found that life was vain; She'd think of her old-time sweetheart, and hear his parting words again: -Cho.

The fire-bells were ringing out their knell of death,
Upon the pavement stood the crowd with bated breath;
From a window of the doom'd hotel there came a woman's cry,
Her screams for aid were fruitless, to save her none dared try.
Her husband, who had saved himself, now raved in wild alarm.
But see, a ragged tramp appears, and bears her in his arms;
Tho' she's unhurt, the hero, brave, sank dying on the streetA look, a scream; 'twas her sweetheart Jack lying there at her feet.-Cho.