

Polly's Love

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1. 'Twas early one morning by the brink of the day
He went to this poor girl and thus he did say
Oh Polly, dearest Polly, you must go with me
For before we are married, our friends for to see
2. 'Twas early in the morning by the brink of the day
He went to this poor girl and led her astray
He led her through the woods and valleys so deep
Which caused this poor girl to sigh and to weep
3. He led her through woods and valleys so high
Which caused this poor girl to sigh and to say
Oh Willie, dear Willie, you've led me astray
On purpose my life and my baby's to destroy
4. Oh Polly, dearest Polly, your words it is true
For all this long night I've been digging for you
For the grave it is open and the spade's standing by
On purpose to bury you to bury you today
5. Oh pardon for me, poor Polly she cried,
For remember dear William, I'm not fit to die.
So quickly he stabbed her and blood began to flow
And into this cold grave poor Polly he threw
6. He covered her up so safe and so sound
In thinking this murder would never be found
There is murder! There is murder has lately been done
For the ship is in mourning and will not sail on
7. Then up stepped the captain and up stepped he
And up stepped William: I'll swear it's not me
So quickly he turned around, then who should he see
For murdering the baby, the baby and she
8. She haunt him, shes taunt him, shes torn him in three
Because he had murdered the baby and she